

TOWN HALL GREETINGS!

WE HOPE YOU HAD A WONDERFUL SUMMER! WE WANTED TO GIVE YOU AN OVERVIEW WITH WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR BEAUTIFUL TOWN.

Holiday Season This year's Holiday Events are scheduled as follows: Holiday Tree Lighting will be on Friday, December 7th at 6:30 pm at Radcliffe Park (a special visitor comes for the kids), Home Holiday Decorating Contest will be judged on Thursday, December 20th; and The Redington Beaches/Indian Shores Holiday Boat Parade will be on Sunday, December 23rd (remember this date is due to the tide chart for our area, we need those high tides!). Mark your calendars and enjoy.

Beach Renourishment The beach renourishment is still in progress and is currently located in Indian Rocks Beach. Tropical Storm Debby caused a lot of erosion on all the beaches requiring more sand to be used for the process than originally planned. County officials are working to find other sand sources if needed. Our part of the project should still be completed in October or early November.

Taxes Everyone should have received their TRIM notice for property taxes by now. Remember, of the total taxes on that sheet, North Redington Beach's millage is still .7511 – which is the lowest of any municipality in the county with employees. With respect to taxes, NRB does not have a power tax, gas tax, fuel oil tax or water tax as other municipalities do! We continue to provide excellent service at a low cost thanks to the dedication and hard work of our employees. "Thank You" to Mari, Renee, Don & Rick!

Land Use Change As most of you know, the Wine Cellar property is going to be sold. Since 2006 the land use for the property has been "Residential High with a Resort Facility Overlay" which means only a hotel can currently be built there (the zoning, which was not changed, is Light Commercial along with all properties on the East side of Gulf Boulevard). The owners of the property are requesting to change the land use back to the former designation of Residential/Office/Retail which would allow a restaurant, bank or other retail outlet to be built there. The Sweetbay store, which had been proposed by a developer, has been delayed at this time due to a moratorium on new stores handed down by the corporate offices in Belgium. However, be assured we will work hard to make sure that whatever is developed on the property is compatible with our town.

Pinellas County Utilities Rate Increase Last year Pinellas County Utilities imposed a rate increase of 9% each year, for 4 years, for all of its wholesale sewer customers. As a result, the town's rate increased this past January by the same 9%. The town's rates are scheduled to increase each of the next three years. Our current residential rate for sewer is \$49.97 bi-monthly. This will increase \$4.50 for a new bi-monthly rate of \$54.47 (beginning in January 2013). Commercial rates will also see the same increase for the next 3 years.

ENJOY THE BEAUTIFUL WEATHER AND STAY SAFE! SINCERELY~



William Queen, Mayor

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|  | <p><i>Holiday Food Drive to help the Beach Community Food Bank – Town Hall will accept donations between 11/5/12 – 11/15/12 (closed on 11/12 for Veteran's Day)</i></p> |
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OCTOBER 2012
MAYOR'S MESSAGE

**Understanding where you live -
NRB Flood Information**



The Town of North Redington Beach is a barrier island bound on the west by the Gulf of Mexico and on the east by Boca Ciega Bay and covers an area of approximately one (1) square mile or 160 acres. The Town is located entirely in a Special Flood Hazard Area. The Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) identifies the whole town as an AE Zone, with VE areas located on the west-side of Gulf Boulevard. The primary source of flooding in North Redington Beach is associated with high tides combined with heavy rain storms (severe thunderstorm to hurricanes).

In June/2012 the Town experienced some street flooding from Tropical Storm Debby. The storm pushed the Gulf of Mexico waters up onto our beaches and even over some seawalls causing severe beach erosion. The storm, plus the high tide also raised the waters of the bay up over resident's seawalls and into their back yards. At each high tide over a two-day period, the bay waters filled into the storm drains (which normally allows the water to flow out of our streets) up into a few of the streets causing some street flooding. Due to the heavy rains falling at the same time, the water had nowhere to go and the water in the streets rose into the front yards of many residents. Many low lying waterfront properties in Pinellas County had the same rising water and street flooding. Please remember – do not drive thru water that you do not know the depth. You can seriously harm your vehicle. If you do drive thru water, PLEASE DRIVE VERY SLOWLY, the wake you make will cause waves in yards and pushes the water towards the houses.

Following the storm, the town had all of storm drains checked and cleaned. Please do your part by not throwing anything into the storm drains and cleaning up any yard debris, newspapers, etc. that could clog or back up the drainage flow. Keeping the storm drains clear helps the water to recede quickly and return our streets to their normal conditions.

North Redington Beach Holiday Events Calendar

HOLIDAY TREE LIGHTING - FRIDAY, DEC. 7TH @ 6:30 PM
RADCLIFFE PARK (A SPECIAL VISITOR WILL BE THERE FOR THE KIDS)

HOLIDAY HOME DECORATING CONTEST - THURSDAY, DEC. 20TH

HOLIDAY BOAT PARADE - SUNDAY, DEC. 23RD



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