



**TOWN OF NORTH REDINGTON BEACH  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
WORKSHOP MINUTES  
June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

*Mayor Bill Queen called the June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 workshop to order at 1:30 p.m. Vice Mayor Richard Bennett and Commissioners Curtis, Kennedy and Thornton were present. Other staff present was Town Attorney Jay Daigneault, Building Official Bruce Cooper and Town Clerk Mari Campbell. The meeting was held at the Town Hall Building, 190 - 173<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, North Redington Beach.*

**A. REVIEW OF ORDINANCE REVISIONS**

- *INCREASING RS-60 DISTRICT PERVIOUS SURFACE RATIO FROM 60% TO 70%*

*Building Official Bruce Cooper stated that in his experience, with multiple municipalities, 70% pervious surface coverage was normal. He explained that properties have to have proper drainage in the site plan to prevent run off onto neighbors. Commissioner Curtis said he did not think it needed to be increased, that the 60/40 split was adequate. The other Commissioners voiced no disapproval to the increase. Town Attorney Daigneault will amend the ordinance for future review.*

- *POOL AS PERVIOUS SURFACE*

*Mayor Queen explained that pools have always been considered as pervious as they hold several inches of water during a storm. Mr. Cooper asked for the code to be amended to clarify the policy for future projects. Mr. Daigneault will amend the ordinance for future approval.*

- *FIREWORKS ORDINANCE*

*Mayor Queen stated the Sheriff had indicated that due to the change in the State statutes making fireworks legal on 3 days a year, municipalities should have an ordinance. However, he stated even with the local ordinance, enforcement would be impossible on those 3 days. The Sheriff had recommended Indian Rocks' Beach's ordinance. The Board agreed to have Mr. Daigneault create the suggested ordinance.*

- *DIMENSIONS ON COMMERCIAL PARKING LOTS*

*Mr. Cooper stated there was no specifics on parking spaces, aisles, etc for commercial parking lots. He distributed a sample code he recommended adopting. He stated he would prepare the information for Mr. Daigneault and forward to him for ordinance creation. The Board agreed.*

Mr. Cooper also stated he had a current issue with an elevated pool deck that extended into the side setback. He wanted direction from the Board as to how to go forward. Town Clerk Campbell stated it had been policy for years that anything under 12 inches was not considered an issue in setbacks. The Board agreed that would be a solution. Mr. Cooper will forward the information to Town Attorney Daigneault for code amendment.

- **INCREASE IN VARIANCE FEE**

Ms. Campbell stated the variance fee of \$250 had not been increased in many years and did not cover all of the costs incurred in a variance. She explained the fee had never covered all expenses but that expenses had increased over the years and the fee needed to be increased as well. She stated she had researched fees along the beach and the range was from \$250 in Redington Beach to \$1,500 in Redington Shores with the others being in the \$300-\$500 range. Mayor Queen recommended raising the fee to \$400 which would not cover the costs but he felt he did not want to increase it so much that it would be a burden for a resident to request one. However, he stated it could be reviewed again once there had been more variances to determine average cost. He also indicated the Town saw very few requests. The Board discussed the two cases that had been heard by the Special Magistrate, stating they had went very well and the results were fair and legal. Ms. Campbell indicated she would forward the resolution to be amended to Mr. Daigneault.

Mr. Cooper asked about the ordinance in which the Mayor could administratively approve up to 2". He asked about increasing it to 6". Mr. Daigneault indicated he was not a fan of administrative approval as it could be construed to not be evenly applied. After discussion, the Board agreed to not amend the ordinance.

- **PARKING BY PERMIT ON 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 2<sup>ND</sup> ST.**

Mayor Queen explained there was a parking issue on both of the streets due to people from the adjacent apartments parking offsite. The residents on these streets are constantly having their mailboxes and driveways blocked. He stated that Gull Harbor was in the process of fixing their issue by unassigning spots thereby opening more spots for their residents. He also stated that El Mar had room for their residents to double park in one space (one behind the other). He recommends making both streets parking by resident permit only which is not available to anyone that lives on Gulf Blvd, which encompasses both apartment buildings. The Board agreed. Mr. Daigneault stated this could be done administratively, no ordinance was required.

- **PARKING ON 173<sup>RD</sup> AT REDINGTON VILLAGE**

Mayor Queen explained that the right-of-way parking on 173<sup>d</sup> next to the new Redington Village would need to be repaved once construction was complete. He stated there would need to be no overnight parking signs on these spots to prevent it from being overflow residential parking. However, during the daytime hours it would be public parking for anyone to use.

## **B. MISCELLANEOUS**

*Mayor Queen gave an update on the undergrounding progress saying that the east side was almost completed and the west side should begin in the next 1-2 years.*

*Commissioner Kennedy asked about the removal of sand along the seawalls. Mayor Queen stated that a vendor that does that type of work had come in and introduced himself. He was doing work at Coral Shores and would be contacting the other hotels to see if they needed removal as well. He was licensed and insured to perform the work.*

*Commissioner Curtis asked for an update on getting gas lines for 173<sup>rd</sup>, Kennedy and Rosa Lee. Mayor Queen said he had spoken with the CEO and it wasn't going to happen unless it was done the same way as the rest of the town i.e. someone every 300' request it. He said he was disappointed in their response but there wasn't anything that could be done about it. Commissioner Curtis commended Mayor Queen on his hard work at trying to get it accomplished.*

*Brian Bowers, resident on Rosa Lee Way, asked about making the water behind their house no wake. Mayor Queen adamantly stated he was opposed to making new no wake zones as everyone lives here to enjoy the water. However, there are rules in place that they have to stay 50' away from dock/structures and to call town hall if he see someone being a problem.*

*There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.*

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Mari Campbell, CMC  
Town Clerk*