

TOWN OF LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA

TOWN COMMISSION

WORKSHOP MINUTES re: Parking

Town Commission Meeting Room

4501 Ocean Drive

Tuesday, May 27, 2008

6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER, MAYOR ROSEANN MINNET

Mayor Minnet called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Mayor Roseann Minnet, Vice Mayor Jerry McIntee, Commissioner Jim Silverstone, Commissioner Stuart Dodd, and Commissioner Birute Ann Clotey were present. Also present were Town Attorney Daniel L. Abbott, Town Manager Esther Colon, and Town Clerk June White.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

3. PARKING

The Commission agreed to allow the public to speak prior to Commission discussion.

John Salvatore referred to a letter he received from Mariano Giana, of the Old City News Stand, opposing any changes to the parking meter covers. Mr. Salvatore agreed with Mr. Giana.

Frank Herrmann did not believe the problems would be solved by the merchants. He believed the Commission should talk with the owners of the buildings.

Diane Boutin believed parking had always been a problem, but at the Memorial Day event there were no problems with free parking. She said bagging everything and or having free parking, was not a solution.

Barbara Winston, Joanne Papers, welcomed the bags as it kept beach parking to a minimum. She preferred the meters remain bagged.

Vice Mayor McIntee read a letter written by Debra Worth who indicated that she preferred the bags remain on the meters.

Vice Mayor said the vast majority of the businesses wanted bags on the meters.

Commissioner Dodd was mindful of the revenue and suggested using a "disk clock" for a \$10 fee with a limited amount of time locals could park. He believed zip codes could be used for tourist and the "disk clock" could have a different color annually.

Commissioner Clotey liked the idea of the disk clocks. She suggested an extension of time limits for the two businesses that needed more than a two hour limit.

Mayor Minnet said the west side of town was having a problem with the bags on the meters. She said the other area was Town Hall and believed those areas could be looked at individually, and leave the bags on the rest of the areas.

Commissioner Dodd suggested allowing 3 hours for the restaurants, if 2 hours were not enough.

Mayor Minnet said the issue was with Valet using areas for free parking at the west side of town, Blue Moon and Beni Hanna. Commissioner Dodd believed the disk clocks would solve that problem.

Vice Mayor McIntee asked Ms. Winston if her customers would pay \$10 to shop in her store. She did not believe they would.

Mayor Minnet felt the 2 hour parking worked well except in the problem areas. She suggested lowering the limitation to 1 hour.

Diane Boutin suggested using the municipal parking lot for business employee parking.

Sharon Hutt wanted the bags removed.

Commissioner Clotey asked if stronger parking enforcement would help. Ms. Hutt believed it would.

Mayor Minnet said that the Commission would look at tougher enforcement in the problem areas. She also believed that the Town would have to look to other sources of revenue.

4. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Mayor McIntee made a motion to adjourn. With no further business before the Commission, Mayor Minnet adjourned the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

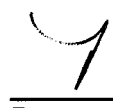


Mayor Roseann Minnet

Attest:



June White, Town Clerk

 6/12/08

Date