

TOWN OF LAUDERDALE-BY-THE-SEA

TOWN COMMISSION CONFERENCE MINUTES

Town Commission Meeting Room

4501 Ocean Drive

Thursday, April 2, 2009

3:00 P.M.

Mayor Minnet, Commissioner Dodd, and Commissioner Clotey were present.

Commissioner Clotey reminded everyone of the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on April 6, 2009 and Easter-By-The-Sea on April 11, 2009. She asked for volunteers for the Easter festivities.

Commissioner Dodd asked if everyone could keep their Commissioner Comments to five minutes. He asked for a format regarding the review of the Town Manager. Mayor Minnet suggested looking to how it was done in the past. She discussed keeping Commission meetings to one day, and the format for public speaking. All decided to wait for Vice Mayor McIntee and Commissioner Silverstone to discuss the public speaking format.

Commissioner Clotey believed there was a problem having prices on signs. She suggested Code Enforcement work random nights since it was a code violation. It was agreed that Code Enforcement needed fine tuning.

Mayor Minnet thought it would be helpful in the future to look at the setup and the presentation format for RFP's. Commissioner Dodd thought the Commission should have a list of all RFP's over \$15,000 and that they needed to be discussed at workshops. Mayor Minnet referenced the building department as something the Town should look into going out to bid for.

Commissioner Dodd discussed litigation of liens. He believed the Town should be able to reduce liens in specific situations. All agreed that staff should look into what other cities did.

Vice Mayor McIntee and Commissioner Silverstone joined the conference. They were informed of the items already discussed.

Commissioner Silverstone suggested restricting public comments that were made about items not related to the agenda. All agreed that everyone would get only one warning for disorderly conduct.

Commissioner Dodd made a suggestion to hear Quasi Judicial hearings earlier in meetings. Vice Mayor McIntee recommended a separate meeting for Quasi Judicial hearings with approval from the Town Attorney. Commissioner Clotey believed it was unfair to give those with their attorney's present, special treatment. All agreed to leave the Quasi Judicial hearings where it was.

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The Commission discussed waiving parking regulations when another business chose to move into a space currently occupied by Tedesco's. All agreed to ask staff if it was possible to do so. Vice Mayor McIntee said he received a phone call from an irate citizen claiming that Commissioner Dodd sabotaged her sewers by contacting someone working for the State. Commissioner Dodd explained that he would not know who to call at the State's office.

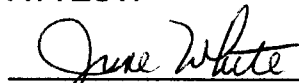
The Commission discussed possible litigation regarding the fishing pier sign and placing bathrooms by the beach. Several locations were talked about including the alley next to Oriana, and the alley behind Aruba's. The Commission agreed the park would be the best area to place the bathrooms. Town staff moral was discussed and the Commission recognized a tone of disrespect being transpired.

The Commission talked about conducting "Meet Your Commissioner" events, and putting an item on the agenda regarding mitigation of liens.



Mayor Roseann Minnet

ATTEST:



June White, Town Clerk

