



TOWN OF REDINGTON BEACH, FLORIDA
BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, May 1st, 2024
6:30 p.m.

Having been duly advertised as required by law, the **Regular Meeting** of the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Redington Beach, Florida, was held on **Wednesday, May 1st, 2024 at 6:30 pm**, in Redington Beach Town Hall at 105 164th Avenue, Redington Beach, Florida.

Mayor Will called the **Regular Meeting** to order and led the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call:

	Present	Absent
Vice Mayor Cariello	X	
Commissioner Murray	X	
Commissioner Thompson	X	
Commissioner Kornijtschuk	X	
Mayor Will	X	
Town Attorney Eschenfelder	X	
Town Clerk Nieves	X	

Approval of Agenda: A motion by Commissioner Kornijtschuk and seconded by Vice Mayor Cariello to approve the agenda. No public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Forum:

Francesca Di Cosmo, 15736 1st St E., asked if the "Private Property" signs she observed behind some beachfront properties are allowed. Attorney Eschenfelder reminded Ms. DiCosmo about the code enforcement portal on the Town's website. She also asked for an update regarding beach nourishment. Mayor Will stated that the Town has not ever been part of the renourishment projects throughout the years.

RJ Myers, of Shumaker Advisors Florida, LLC, asked if the Town would like to reconsider terminating the agreement between Shumaker and the Town since his efforts were successful in 2023. Mayor Will noted that the Town's decision was final.

Reports:

Public Safety

- Nothing to report

Building/Code

- Commissioner Thompson reported that Redington Shores will be ready to operate as the Town's Building Department on June 17th, 2024. Mayor Will stressed that Redington Shores Building Department must be fully functional to handle the Town's needs.

Public Works/Parks

- Vice Mayor Cariello reported that Shenandoah Contractors is scheduled to repair the 7 broken valves but they need to wait for the tides to be very low in order to access those valves.

Finance

- Commissioner Kornijtschuk reported that the Town is in the middle of its annual audit and things are progressing nicely.

Mayor

- Mayor Will reported that sea turtle season is 5/1 through 10/31 and to please be careful of the nests.

Town Clerk

- The Town Clerk reported that one application for the Code Enforcement officer position was received.

Town Attorney

- Attorney Eschenfelder thanked the witnesses who testified in the Customary Use trial and noted he is encouraged by the Judge's comments at the end of the trial. He reported that the ruling would be available in a couple of months.

Boards and Committees

- Nothing to report

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Board Regular Meeting Minutes, April 3rd, 2024**
- B. Bill List for Day Ending April 26th, 2024**
- C. Proclamation – Older Americans Month**

A motion by Commissioner Kornijtschuk and second by Vice Mayor Cariello to approve the consent agenda as presented. No discussion. No public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - NONE

NEW BUSINESS

A. Appointment of Park Board member:

Applicant Mike Baker was unable to attend. Vice Mayor Cariello was able to speak about his experience while working with him on the Park Board.

Vice-Mayor Cariello motioned to appoint Mike Baker as Park Board member. Second by Commissioner Kornijtschuk. No discussion. No public comment. Motion passed unanimously.

B. First Reading: Ordinance 2024-04: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF REDINGTON BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING § 13-30(e) TO CLARIFY CERTAIN PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES ON THE BEACH; MAKING RELATED FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION, SEVERABILITY, AND FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Eschenfelder read by title only.

Mayor Will reported that the revision will make the code simpler and more enforceable. Vice-Mayor Cariello recommended adding language to create a distinction between a tent and a canopy. He referred to the written recommendation of the Park Board, which clarified the specifications of canopies and tents. Attorney Eschenfelder confirmed that the common definition of "tent" includes canopies. Continued discussion among the Commission members.

Public comment:

Francesca DiCosmo, 15736 1st St E., asked for clarification of where Beach Park and Moon Park are located and if tents are allowed in those Town-owned areas.

Attorney Eschenfelder noted that if tents at the Town-owned areas becomes a problem, the Commission has the ability to re-visit the issue and change the policy.

David Barron 16232 Gulf Blvd reported that he has noticed "selective enforcement" of the current code regarding tents. He asked for the reasoning behind the tent prohibition. Attorney Eschenfelder mentioned aesthetics, abandonment, and grouping several tents together for a large crowd.

John Hurlbert, 16006 2nd St E., asked if the beachfront property owners were allowed to have tents on the beach. Attorney Eschenfelder let him know that no they are not allowed.

Pam Gracean, 16120 Gulf Blvd., asked for confirmation that beachfront property owners were NOT allowed to have tents on the beach, which was confirmed by Attorney Eschenfelder. He also noted that the Sheriff's Deputies enforce laws that the Town gives them. The Deputies can use discretion and judgement but the Town cannot tell the police how to enforce them. Ms. Gracean also asked if the Town would be installing signs at the beach entrances.

Claudia McCorkle, 16030 Gulf Blvd, asked if she would be able to have a tent erected on the beach behind her house for a party or fundraiser she may host. Attorney Eschenfelder assured Ms. McCorkle that she could come before the Commission and ask for special permission.

Linda Wilson, 16109 5th St E asked if the last line of the revision should read "Commission" and not "the Town" for permission to have a tent at a Town-owned property. Mayor Will noted that if tents at Town-owned properties becomes an problem, the issue will be revisited by the Commission.

No more public comment.

Commissioner Kornijtschuk motioned to approve Ordinance 2024-04. Second by Commissioner Murray.

	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Absent
Commissioner Kornijtschuk	X		X		
Commissioner Murray		X	X		
Commissioner Thompson			X		
Vice Mayor Cariello				X	
Mayor Will			X		

Motion passed with a 4-1 roll call vote.

OTHER BUSINESS - None

Adjournment: With no further business, motion was made by Commissioner Kornijtschuk and seconded by Commissioner Murray to adjourn. Regular meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm.

Adopted: June 5, 2024



Adriana Nieves, CMC, Town Clerk