MINUTES

Friday, November 1, 2013

FORT MYERS BEACH TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
TOWN HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
2523 ESTERO BOULEVARD
FORT MYERS BEACH, FLORIDA 33931

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Mandel called to order the November 1, 2013 Special Meeting of the Town Council at 2:00 p.m. Present along with Mayor Mandel: Vice Mayor Kosinski and Council Members Andre, List, and Raymond. Also Present: Town Manager Stewart, Town Attorney Miller, Public Works Director Lewis, and Town Clerk Mayher.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

IV. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

A. Estero Boulevard Alternative Discussion

Mayor Mandel noted there had been many prior meetings and discussions regarding Estero Boulevard between the Town and the County. He reported that Lee County Commissioner Kiker would take a position that the County should "remodel" the construction required on Estero Boulevard in a manner comparable to what the Town had done at the north end. He requested approval from Council to represent Council before the BOCC on Monday to support Commissioner Kiker's position. He added Estero Boulevard was ranked #1 by the MPO; and thanked Commissioner Raymond for his work with the MPO on this matter.

Discussion was held concerning the date and time of the County Commission meeting(s) next week as it pertained to the scheduled time for the Town Council meetings; attendance at the meetings by staff and Council; and transportation to the BOCC meeting(s).

Town Attorney Humphrey explained how it was acceptable for all of the Town Council to be in attendance together at the BOCC meeting; and reviewed the requirements of the Sunshine Law as it pertained to discussions and speaking at the meeting.

Consensus approved Mayor Mandel's request, and that the Council would attend the BOCC meeting on November 4, 2013.

Town Manager Stewart distributed a copy of a letter concerning a grant for the Mound House; reported the State notified the Town had met the obligation date; and explained how the Town was able to modify a prior grant application for the Mound House and was now in the cycle to be considered for funding. He added that the State was requiring a letter from his office that stated the Town remained interested in the grant ($339,000), and was prepared to provide in-kind and matching funds identified within the original grant. He requested Council's approval to sign the letter he prepared and to forward the letter to the State.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Kosinski moved to approve the Town Manager sign the letter and send it to the State; second by Council Member List.

VOTE: Motion approved, 5-0.

Public Comment opened.

No speakers.

Public Comment closed.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Council Member Raymond; second by Vice Mayor Kosinski. Meeting adjourned at 2:14 p.m.

Adopted 12-2-13 With/Without changes. Motion by Kosinski/Andre

Vote: 5-0

Michelle D. Mayher, Town Clerk

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