



MINUTES

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

MANAGEMENT & PLANNING WORKSESSION

April 19, 2010

9:00 AM

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Kiker called the meeting to order. Present with Mayor Kiker was Vice Mayor Raymond, Council members Babcock, List and Mandel along with Town Manager Terry Stewart and Town Clerk Michelle Mayher.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

All stood for Pledge of Allegiance

III. COUNCIL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL

Councilmember Babcock indicated he had sent by email a revised copy of the Policies and Procedures Manual with changes Council had made up through page 13 with the exception to the changes in the Mission Statement.

Councilmember Babcock continued by reading the revised Mission Statement adding the sentence to ‘Supervise the Town Manager and Town Attorney for the welfare of the residents, owners, business persons and guests of the island in adherence to the Town Charter, State and Federal Law.’

Council began discussion of Section 6, Source of Items, the process for adding items to the agenda. Mayor Kiker felt there was a need for a new process to be written to coincide with the way Council had been dealing with agenda management items, indicating it should be used to maintain Council’s priorities.

Town Manager Stewart suggested under section #7, Order of Agenda Items, (16.) Agenda Management, to break it down into two sections, a.) long range to include M & P and workshops and b.) next meeting.

Discussion then shifted to the need and extent for public advertising of the agenda in local newspapers, the desire to publicize public meetings and/or public hearings in the island papers.

Council began a lengthy discussion of the Special Events section, paying particular attention to recurring events and funding for same.

Recess: 10:45 AM Reconvene: 11:00 AM

Regarding Council Attendance Policy Councilmember Mandel felt the importance of the worksessions and M & P meetings warranted no more than 2 absences. Discussion turned to the importance of Council Meetings, worksessions and M & P Meetings, scheduling and absences.

It was noted during the discussion of Minutes that the Town Clerk was responsible, however Council looked to the Town Attorney to provide an answer determining the legal minutes to be those written, adopted by Council or a video or audio account of a meeting.

Regarding Council Communications, Vice Mayor Raymond stated anytime you are talking, you are the Council. Councilmember Babcock voiced his thoughts on talking as a Councilmember yet being able to have an opinion as an individual or citizen. Mayor Kiker and Councilmember Babcock vehemently disagreed as to their responsibilities and rights regarding speaking in public or at Town committees.

Councilmember List requested the meeting adjourn as it had gone past the allotted time, asking to set a date to continue.

Council decided to schedule the continuance at the evening Council Meeting.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Mandel made a motion to adjourn.
Major Kiker adjourned the meeting at 12:10 p.m.

Adopted _____ With/Without changes. Motion by _____

Vote: _____

Michelle D. Mayher, Town Clerk

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