



MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING JANUARY 10, 2024 2:00 P.M.

The City of Madeira Beach Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. on January 10, 2024, in the Patricia Shontz Commission Chambers at City Hall, located at 300 Municipal Drive, Madeira Beach, Florida.

MEMBERS PRESENT: James "Jim" Rostek, Mayor
Ray Kerr, Vice Mayor/Commissioner District 2
David Tagliarini, Commissioner District 1
Eddie McGeehen, Commissioner District 3
Anne-Marie Brooks, Commissioner District 4

MEMBERS ABSENT:

CITY STAFF PRESENT: Robin Gomez, City Manager
Clara VanBlargan, City Clerk
Andrew Laflin, Finance Director/City Treasurer
Thomas Trask, City Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rostek called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Attorney Tom Trask gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

City Clerk Clara VanBlargan called the roll. All were present.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

City Manager Gomez said the four presentations in Section 6. were moved to a future meeting.

Vice Mayor Kerr motioned to approve the agenda with the changes. Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Vice Mayor Kerr	"YES"
Commissioner Brooks	"YES"
Commissioner McGeehen	"YES"
Commissioner Tagliarini	"YES"
Mayor Rostek	"YES"

The motion carried 5-0.

5. PROCLAMATIONS

A. Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Week; January 21-27, 2024

Mayor Rostek read a proclamation proclaiming January 21-27, 2024 as Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist Week. No one was present to accept the proclamation.

6. PRESENTATIONS

The four presentations were moved to a future meeting.

- A. Introduction of New Hires
- B. Fire Crew of the Year, 2024
- C. Fire Inspector Reclassification to Fire Marshal
- D. Lieutenant Promotion

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Helen Price, a trustee of the Gulf Beaches Public Library, gave an update on the upcoming fundraising events and invited everyone to attend.

Bob Bello, 13301 Gulf Lane, thanked the City for the upgrades to the City's dog park.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes

- 2023-12-13, BOC Regular Meeting Minutes

Vice Mayor Kerr motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as written. Commissioner Tagliarini seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Vice Mayor Kerr	"YES"
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Commissioner Tagliarini	"YES"
Commissioner McGeehen	"YES"
Commissioner Brooks	"YES"
Mayor Rostek	"YES"

The motion carried 5-0.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Ordinance 2023-21, Dune Protection and Beach Debris– 2nd Reading & Public Hearing

City Attorney Tom Trask read Ordinance 2023-21 by title only:

ORDINANCE 2023-21

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MADEIRA BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE III (BEACH DEBRIS) OF CHAPTER 42 (OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) OF THE MADEIRA BEACH CODE OF ORDINANCES TO AMEND THE PURPOSE TO INCLUDE COMMERCIAL PROPERTY; INCLUDE COMMERCIAL PROPERTY IN THE DEFINITIONS; ADD COMMERCIAL PROPERTY AND PROVISION RELATING TO BLOCKING PATHWAYS TO OBSTRUCTIONS ON THE BEACH PROVISION; REQUIRE PROPERTY TO BE STORED INSIDE DURING A NAMED STORM EVENT; INCLUDE COMMERCIAL PROPERTY IN LEAVE NO TRACE INFORMATIONAL SIGNS IN RENTAL UNITS; ADD PROHIBITION REGARDING CROSSING DUNES AND THE REMOVAL OF VEGETATION ON DUNES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT, SEVERABILITY AND CODIFICATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Rostek opened to public comment. There were no public comments.

Commissioner Brooks motioned to adopt Ordinance 2023-21, Dune Protection and Beach Debris, after 2nd Reading and Public Hearing. Commissioner Tagliarini seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Brooks	"YES"
Commissioner Tagliarini	"YES"
Commissioner McGeehen	"YES"
Vice Mayor Kerr	"YES"
Mayor Rostek	"YES"

The motion carried 5-0.

B. Ordinance 2023-33, Amendment to Capital Improvement Element of the Comprehensive Plan – 2nd Reading and Public Hearing

City Attorney Tom Trask read Ordinance 2023-33 by title only:

ORDINANCE 2023-33

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MADEIRA BEACH, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT OF THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN OF THE CITY OF MADEIRA BEACH TO UPDATE THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR FISCAL YEARS 2024 THROUGH 2030; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Rostek opened to public comment. There were no public comments.

Commissioner Brooks motioned to adopt Ordinance 2023-33, Amendment to Capital Improvement Element of the Comprehensive Plan, after 2nd Reading and Public Hearing. Commissioner Tagliarini seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Brooks	"YES"
Commissioner McGeehen	"YES"
Vice Mayor Kerr	"YES"
Commissioner Tagliarini	"YES"
Mayor Rostek	"YES"

The motion carried 5-0.

C. Ordinance 2024-01, Calling the March 19, 2024 Municipal Election – 1st Reading & Public Hearing

City Attorney Tom Trask read Ordinance 2024-01 by title only:

ORDINANCE 2024-01

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF MADEIRA BEACH, FLORIDA, CALLING FOR A MUNICIPAL ELECTION ON MARCH 19, 2024, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING FOR ONE CHARTER AMENDMENT; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AUTHORIZING ELECTION EXPENDITURES; IDENTIFYING THE PINELLAS COUNTY CANVASSING BOARD AS THE CANVASSING BOARD FOR THE MARCH 19, 2024 MUNICIPAL ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR POLLING PLACES; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF

ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH TO THE EXTENT OF SUCH CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mayor Rostek opened to public comment. There were no public comments.

City Clerk VanBlargan said David Tagliarini and Ray Kerr were the only two candidates who applied and qualified for the March 19, 2024 election ballot. She congratulated them. The only thing on the ballot would be the Charter Amendment to change the two week qualifying period to one week. It would take effect in December 2024 for the 2025 Municipal Election if it passes.

Vice Mayor Kerr proposed they push the Charter Amendment to the following election. He thought the turnout would be low. The City Clerk said the Presidential candidates for the primary would be on the ballot and she expects a good turnout.

Commissioner Tagliarini motioned to approve after 1st Reading and Public Hearing, Ordinance 2024-01, Calling the March 19, 2024 Municipal Election. Vice Mayor Kerr seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Tagliarini	"YES"
Vice Mayor Kerr	"YES"
Commissioner McGeehen	"YES"
Commissioner Brooks	"YES"
Mayor Rostek	"YES"

The motion carried 5-0.

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

A. FY24 Capital Garbage Truck Lease Approval

Public Works Director Megan Wepfer said the lease for the truck is \$8,500 a month for a thirteen month period from RDK Trucks. She responded to questions and comments from the Board.

Mayor Rostek asked for an update on contracting the garbage pick-up. The City Manager said they would need to issue an RFP which would take a few months.

Vice Mayor Kerr said he cannot vote for a side loader whether it is a rental or a purchase. Director Wepfer said the reason they are considering a side loader is because she cannot get a full staff in sanitation.

Vice Mayor Kerr asked what the penalty would be to get out of the lease early. Director Wepfer said she thought there was a 30-day clause. Vice Mayor Kerr said the level of service has decreased

with the side loader. Director Wepfer said the rear-load truck will pick up the bulk and brush items on Wednesdays. The City Manager said they would look into every option available.

Mayor Rostek asked what would happen to the truck that is being replaced. Director Wepfer said it would be sold. It could take money off the lease.

Commissioner Tagliarini said they need to move forward based on Staff's recommendation. Commissioners Brooks and McGeehen agreed.

Commissioner Brooks motioned to approve the FY24 Capital Garbage Truck Lease. Commissioner Tagliarini seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Brooks	"YES"
Commissioner Tagliarini	"YES"
Vice Mayor Kerr	"NO"
Commissioner McGeehen	"YES"
Mayor Rostek	"YES"

The motion carried 4-1.

B. RFP #2023-09 Patriot Park Dock Replacement Bid Acceptance and Approval

Director Wepfer explained the purpose of the item. The low bid was \$119,750.00, and the handrail \$20,000.00 which is not included in the bid. The project is over budget, but it is a necessity. Some of the pilings may need to be drilled which would be \$750.00 per piling. She asked the Board for approval to accept the bid with Speeler Companies not to exceed \$156,465.00.

Mayor Rostek opened to public comment. There were no public comments.

Commissioner Tagliarini motioned to approve RFP #2023-09 Patriot Park Dock Replacement Bid. Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Tagliarini	"YES"
Commissioner Brooks	"YES"
Vice Mayor Kerr	"YES"
Commissioner McGeehen	"YES"
Mayor Rostek	"YES"

The motion carried 5-0.

12. NEW BUSINESS

13. STAFF REPORTS

A. City Clerk Report – December 2023

The City Clerk reported on the City Clerk Report for December 2023. The City needs to be in compliance with the Cyber Security Act and the policies need to be in place by January 1, 2025. Security software was purchased to go with the Barracuda software, and she has been working to implement it.

14. AGENDA SETTING – January 24, 2024 BOC Regular Workshop Meeting

A. Live-aboards, Boats Anchoring

B. Update on Ton and Kitty Stuart Park Resident Parking

C. Update on Fitness Center

D. JPV Zoning

Items added to the workshop agenda:

Commissioner Brooks

1. Outsourcing versus internal cost of trash pick-up

Commissioner McGeehen

1. Mulch and wood chip problem after flood waters recede

15. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

A. Board of Commissioners

The Board of Commissioners had no report.

B. City Attorney

City Attorney Trask said he issued a memorandum updating the legislative efforts and bills that relate to local governments.

C. City Manager

The City Manager invited everyone to the 19th Annual Seafood Festival at John's Pass Village and Boardwalk beginning January 19th.

D. City Clerk

The City Clerk said they need to pick a date for the swearing-in ceremony. It needs to be after the election. The consensus of the Board was to add it to the next workshop meeting.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Rostek adjourned the meeting at 2:48 p.m.

James “Jim” Rostek, Mayor

ATTEST:

Clara VanBlargan, MMC, MSM, City Clerk

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