



MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING December 11, 2024 4:00 p.m.

The City of Madeira Beach Board of Commissioners held a regular meeting at 4:00 p.m. on December 11, 2024, in the Patricia Shontz Commission Chambers at City Hall, located at 300 Municipal Drive, Madeira Beach, Florida.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Anne-Marie Brooks, Mayor
Ray Kerr, Commissioner District 2
Eddie McGeehen, Commissioner District 3
Housh Ghovae, Commissioner District 4

MEMBERS ABSENT: David Tagliarini, Vice Mayor/Commissioner District 1

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

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brooks called the meeting to order at 5:58 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. Vice Mayor Tagliarini was absent.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Brooks asked to add to the Agenda the Jetty Debris Removal and a Capacity Path Crisis Support Presentation.

The Board consented to the approval of the agenda with the two added items.

PROCLAMATIONS

There were no proclamations.

5. PRESENTATIONS

Amie Leigh, Capacity Path Clinical Director, introduced herself and said the organization provides the State Emergency Response Team for community crisis stabilization. She gave a short presentation on their services. She wanted to perform a workshop session on Friday, December 13, at City Hall to provide community support, resilience, and capacity building.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. 2024-11-13, BOC Regular Meeting Minutes**
- B. 2024-11-13, BOC Regular Workshop Meeting Minutes**
- C. 2024-11-20, BOC Special Meeting Minutes**

Commissioner Kerr motioned to approve the meeting minutes as written. Commissioner Ghovae seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Kerr	"YES"
Commissioner Ghovae	"YES"
Commissioner McGeehen	"YES"
Mayor Brooks	"YES"

The motion carried 4-0.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. CONTRACTS/AGREEMENTS

12. NEW BUSINESS

A. Jetty Debris Removal

The board had a brief discussion about what was to be removed.

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

Commissioner Kerr motioned to request the City Manager to have the concrete and rebar removed from the jetty. Commissioner McGeehen seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Kerr	"YES"
Commissioner McGeehen	"YES"
Commissioner Ghovae	"YES"
Mayor Brooks	"YES"

The motion carried 4-0.

B. Resolution 2024-08, Opt Out of Live Local Act

City Attorney Tom Trask read Resolution 2024-08 by title only:

RESOLUTION 2024-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF MADEIRA BEACH, FLORIDA, OPTING OUT OF PROVIDING THE 80-120% AMI "MISSING MIDDLE" PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION TO DEVELOPMENTS THAT WOULD OTHERWISE QUALIFY PURSUANT TO HOUSE BILL 7073; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE HEREOF.

City Attorney Tom Trask reminded the Board that the resolution requires a two-thirds vote, which means that all four commissioners would need to vote in favor of it in order for it to pass.

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

Commissioner Kerr motioned to adopt Resolution 2024-08, Opt Out of Live Local Act. Commissioner Ghovae seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Kerr	"YES"
Commissioner Ghovae	"YES"
Commissioner McGeehen	"YES"
Mayor Brooks	"YES"

The motion carried 4-0.

13. AGENDA SETTING

Mayor Brooks requested updates at each meeting on the following items:

1. The Court of Honor
2. The dredging of John's Pass
3. The status of the walkway being rebuilt on the jetty

Commissioner Kerr asked to add to the agenda a discussion on how the City gets information to the public and how they might want to improve on it in times of a disaster.

14. REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE

A. Board of Commissioners – 2025 BOC Meeting Schedule

No changes were made to the 2025 BOC meeting schedule.

B. City Attorney

No report.

C. City Clerk's Report – December 2024 City Clerk's Report

The City Clerk gave an update on the Laserfiche project and said she expected the portal to be open to the public before Christmas.

D. City Manager

The City Manager thanked City Staff for their hard work, the Mayor and Commission for their continued support, and everyone for their patience during this difficult time.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brooks adjourned the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

ATTEST:

Anne-Marie Brooks, Mayor

Clara VanBlargan, MMC, MSM, City Clerk