

TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH

One Golden Beach Drive Golden Beach, FL 33160

Official Minutes for the August 21, 2018 Regular Town Council Meeting called for 7:00 p.m.

A. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Singer called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

Councilmember's Present: Mayor Glenn Singer, Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal, Councilmember Judy Lusskin, Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas, *Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein (arrived during the Mayor's Report)*

Councilmember's Not Present: Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal

Staff Present: Town Manager Alexander Diaz, Town Attorney Kathy Mehaffey (in for Steve Helfman), Police Chief Rudy Herbello, Finance Director Maria D. Camacho, Resident Services Director Michael Glidden

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chief Herbello led the Pledge of Allegiance

D. PRESENTATIONS / TOWN PROCLAMATIONS

- NORTH MIAMI BEACH WATER DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION
- RECOGNITION OF POLICE OFFICER OF THE QUARTER OFFICER DAVID GUZMAN
- RECOGNIATION OF EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER CHIEF RUDY HERBELLO
- TOWN FLAG pulled for a later date

E. MOTION TO SET THE AGENDA

ADDITIONS/ DELETIONS/ REMOVAL OF ITEMS FROM CONSENT AGENDA/ AND CHANGES TO AGENDA

Town Manager stated that there are two substitute items for Resolutions 2563.18 and 2566.18.

Town Manager also requested to add, under the Mayor's report, an appointment of a member to the Building Regulatory Advisory Board.

F. GOOD AND WELFARE

Daniel Block, Member of the Golden Beach Youth Leadership Group

Gave an update on the community garden the group started and brought samples of the vegetables the group harvested.

Mayor Singer congratulated the group on a job well done.

G. MAYOR'S REPORT

CIVIC CENTER/TOWN HALL MAST PLAN – NO REPORT. There will be a presentation at the October meeting

Welcomed all residents back from the Summer break. Reminded residents that school has started and for residents to drive carefully and be mindful of the children out and about. Over the Summer a few times the water that was tested in Golden Beach has tested positive to bacteria and the Town has had to close the beaches. Major concern. Wrote letters to the Governor and to several other officials. Received responses from the Florida Health Department and the State of Florida and they are looking into the situation. It is out of the Town's control. It is a state of Florida issue, not a Golden Beach issue. Knows that people get upset when the beach is closed, but it is for the safety of everyone. In speaking with officials, it may occur again, but do not think that it is going unattended and we are monitoring the situation.

 CIP PROJECTS UPDATE – TOWN MANAGER'S MEMO (ATTACHED)

At the beginning of the Summer the Town's goal was to implement the CIP projects in a timely manner and within the budgeted amounts. Happy to announce that all of the projects are coming in within budget. Some are taking longer than was expected, but that has to do with change orders and weather issues.

*** At this time, **Mayor Singer** gave a breakdown of the projects including completion status and budgets. ***

Town Manager added that none of the change orders were approved were driven by the contractor, they were all changes that the he asked for to enhance the quality of work that was being done. Also stated that the original bid for the pavilion restoration work did not include replacement of the four columns. The four columns have deteriorated considerably and the Town's independent engineer advised that this is the time to do it. The engineer put the Town on notice that he felt the structure was unsafe as well. Requesting the Council take a straw vote to authorize the increase of the beach pavilion budget by \$30,000 to complete this work. Those monies will be coming from the Parks & Recreation Budget.

Mayor Singer made a motion to approve the additional work and funds, **Councilmember Lusskin** seconded. Consensus vote 4 Ayes, 0 Nays.

Town Manager requested that in addition to that motion, the Council accept Change Order #1 for \$38,335 as the repair work for that structure is over his spending authority.

Mayor Singer made a motion to accept Change Order #1, **Councilmember Lusskin** seconded. Consensus vote <u>4</u> Ayes, <u>0</u> Nays.

Mayor Singer also spoke on the Building Regulatory Advisory Board. Making a recommendation to add another alternate to the Board, resident Judy Mimoun. Thinks that she would be a tremendous asset to the board.

Mayor Singer made the motion to add resident Judy Mimoun as another alternate to the Building Regulatory Advisory Board, **Councilmember Lusskin** seconded.

Consensus vote 4 Ayes, 0 Nays.

H. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Bernstein

His biggest concern has been the bacteria in the Ocean. Another issue that is being raised to him is the lighting in Town and the brightness of the lights. Asked residents to be patient as the Town finishes implementing this project and fixing all of the kinks. Very happy with how the beach pavilion renovations turned out. Area looks great – almost like a private club.

Coucilmember Lusskin

Receiving a lot of positive feedback from residents on the Town's increased communications efforts. Also wanted to give thanks to the Town Manager and Public Works for maintaining the Town clean. Thanked the Public Works department for the hard work performed trimming the coconut palms, especially Brian Phillips. Inquired on whether vines could be installed where the chain link fence is on A1A in front of the basketball courts. Food trucks were very well received and the program is working very well. The entrance to Town is really beautiful, but the fountains look a little sterile and maybe decorative landscaping can be added. Reminded residents that September 16th is the Town's 5K Run, looking forward to it. Congratulated Judy and Barry Nelson for opening up their new facility for the Victory School. Stated that Dr. Gaylis called her asking her if the following concerns could be addressed: beach clean-up, security on the beach, signs on the beach, the Town's obligation to inform residents if a beach advisory is issued, and the mosquito spraying on A1A.

Councilmember Rojas

Also brought up the chain link fences not only on A1A but also around the perimeter of the properties in Town and how they just don't look nice with all of the improvements that have been made throughout Town. Stated that she called the organization concerning the beach closure to inquire of the contamination was also in the Intracoastal and the company told her that it was just in the beach and that the Intracoastal waterways were not contaminated.

I. TOWN MANAGER REPORT

- UPDATE ON THE CANAL MAINTENANCE PROJECT
- ADDRESSING CONCERNS AND UPDATE ON STREET LIGHTING PROJECT (STANTEC TO BE PRESENT)
- REPORT ON SOUTH GATE PILOT PROJECT
- SUMMER ACTIVITIES UPDATE

First took a moment to introduce stepdaughter, Robdani Gollo to the council and residents, who was in the audience that evening.

Gave an update on the Town's street lighting project. When the Town starting installing all of the lights the phone calls started flooding in. Residents were complaining that the lights were blinding and flooding into their homes when the installation began. However, all of the lights do not shine bright on the back end. After the Town has taken final delivery of the lights, adjustments can be made with FPL. We have designated a new design pattern for the community. Lights can be moved slightly over, but they will not be moved completely because that would change the design pattern and the Town cannot do that because it would be an exposure and liability issue. The Town cannot change the intensity of the lights and we cannot change the color. Yes, they are white and bright, but once the full system is in residents will become accustomed to the new white glow and it won't be as impactful.

Sean Compel, Stantec Engineering spoke in more detail about the design of the light fixtures and the white light. 54 lights up and working, still need an additional 78 to install.

Town Manager assured the council that this project would be delivered before November.

Town Manager went over the major issues that took place during the summer months in Town.

- Major amounts of seaweed have washed ashore this year. More seaweed has come ashore in the last ten months than in the last ten years. We do not clean up our own seaweed, Miami-Dade County does that for us. Not what's causing our water to be infected with bacteria.
- 2. Bacteria in the water is the second issue. We do not close our beach, the State dictates when the beach is closed. We are the only city that has its waters tested weekly by the Department of Health. There are some times when our water levels are moderately high in bacteria, that although the State has not closed the beach we recommend residents not get into the water. When the beaches are closed we communicate with our residents right away. We will start putting our water testing level results on the Town's website.
- 3. Mosquito control the Town is using an organic based compound that treats mosquitoes.
- 4. The Article that was released this summer referring to Golden Beach as version 2.0 we do not single out a single homeowner or lot. We try to apply the Town's codes consistently. It is unfortunate that some of our homeowners are not responsible and do not take care of their properties. We do not want to have renegade homeowners that do not follow the code of the Town.
- 5. Stake both the high water line and the property lines on the beach. Will post new signs at the property line, that lets our visiting community know where the homeowners property ends and where the state's property begins. Nothing has changed in Golden Beach as it relates to our enforcement and privacy on the beach.
- 6. Had two fires in Town. Both occurring because of electrical panels or electrical fixtures that were not being maintained. If you want the Town to go out and look

at your exterior lighting and fixtures, we will do so at no cost to you to prevent situations like this from occurring again.

Had a very busy summer and hope that you all have enjoyed your summer.

J. TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

None

K. ORDINANCES - SECOND READING

None

L. ORDINANCES - FIRST READING

None

M. QUASI JUDICIAL RESOLUTIONS

None

N. CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. Official Minutes of the April 17th, 2018 Special Town Council Meeting
- 2. Official Minutes of the April 17th, 2018 Executive Session
- **3.** Official Minutes of the April 17th, 2018 Regular Town Council Meeting
- **4.** Official Minutes of the May 15th, 2018 Local Planning Agency Hearing
- **5.** Official Minutes of the May 15th, 2018 Regular Town Council Meeting
- **6.** A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing a Joint Project Agreement with FDOT for Turf and Landscape Maintenance.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, APPROVING A JOINT PROJECT AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR TURF AND LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL ACTION NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 6

Resolution No. 2557.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2557.18

7. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Donation of \$800 to the Cadena Foundation.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE DONATION OF \$800.00 TO THE CADENA FOUNDATION ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 7

Resolution No. 2558.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2558.18

Consensus vote 4_Ayes, 0_Nays. Items N1-N7 passed.

O. TOWN RESOLUTIONS

8. A Resolution of the Town Council Ratifying the Maximum Proposed Millage Rate for F/Y 2018-2019.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, RATIFYING THE MAXIMUM PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE FOR F/Y 2018-2019 THAT WAS TRANSMITTED TO THE PROPERTY APPRAISER OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF FLORIDA STATUTES AND THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 8

Resolution No. 2559.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2559.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Lusskin</u>, seconded by Councilmember Rojas.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:
Mayor Glenn Singer

Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein
Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas
Councilmember Judy Lusskin

Absent
Aye
Aye
Aye

The motion passed.

Mayor Singer spoke on the item briefly, reiterating the millage rate.

Town Manager added that part of the millage process is enhancing services to residents and enhancing the Town's quality of communication. Next year's budget has a lot of emphasis on services directed to our residents. Asked Resident Services Director Michael Glidden to give a little more detail on what this entails.

Resident Services Director Michael Glidden also spoke on the Town's efforts to enhance communication efforts with residents via the work being done by his department. Has been tasked with putting together a resident guidebook, which his department has been working on for the past several months. Gotten to the point where they have begun beta testing it with a select group of residents. It will be a guidebook for residents both new and old and it will have all types of information pertaining to Town services. Will also be introducing some new social programming, some teen events, and hope to address all resident concerns and demographics.

Town Manager stated that the primary focus of next year's budget is working with our residents as we celebrate the Town's 90th Anniversary.

Mayor Singer stated that this is the fifth year that the Town has kept the millage rate at 8.4 mills. Congratulated the Town Manager and the staff for doing a great job on the budget and increasing services to residents without increasing taxes.

Town Manager reminded residents that there will be two budget hearing in September. The first budget hearing scheduled for Wednesday, September 12 at 7 p.m. The second budget hearing, which will also be the business meeting for the month of September, will be held on Thursday, September 27 at 7 p.m.

9. A Resolution of the Town Council Awarding a Comprehensive Health Insurance Plan for the Employees of the Town.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AWARDING A COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH EMPLOYEES AND ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 9

Resolution No. 2560.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2560.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Lusskin</u>, seconded by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein
Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas
Councilmember Judy Lusskin

Aye
Aye
Aye

The motion passed.

Town Manager stated that this summer Destiny Abujarour and the Town Clerk really worked on looking at offerings that other cities in our area are providing to their employees. We then shopped within the League of Cities program to make sure that the best offering through them was also being looked at. We are offering two plans this year, a Plan 3 and a Plan 1. Plan 1 is a buy-up plan, which means that if employees want to enroll in Plan 1 they have to pay the different in cost between Plan 3 and Plan 1, 100% out of pocket. We are going to do the same thing that we did this year. We are going to execute a contract for Plan 3, however we are going to self-fund the coverage of Plan 2. We think this is in the best interest of the Town. In addition, this year Plan 3 had a 2.8% decrease in cost.

10. A Resolution of the Town Council Renewing the Agreements for Dental and Vision Insurance for the Employees of the Town.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, RENEWING THE AGREEMENTS FOR A DENTAL INSURANCE AND A VISION INSURANCE PLAN FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH EMPLOYEES AND ELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 10

Resolution No. 2561.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2561.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>, seconded by Councilmember Lusskin.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer

<u>Aye</u>

Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein
Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas
Councilmember Judy Lusskin

Aye
Aye
Aye

The motion passed.

Town Manager stated that there are no increases and the Town is stating with the same plan.

11. A Resolution of the Town Council Accepting the Benefit Proposal for Insurance Submitted by Mutual of Omaha Insurance.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, ACCEPTING THE BENEFIT PROPOSAL FOR SHORT TERM/LONG TERM DISABILITY INSURANCE, LIFE AND ACCIDENTAL DEATH AND DISMEMBERMENT INSURANCE SUBMITTED BY MUTUAL OF OMAHA INSURANCE; PROVIDING FOR CONDITIONS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 11

Resolution No. 2562.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2562.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Lusskin</u>, seconded by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein
Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas
Councilmember Judy Lusskin

Aye
Aye

The motion passed.

Town Manager stated that the Town is staying with the same plan – there was a decrease in the coverage for this plan year.

12. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Use of LETF Monies For the Purchase of Taser Stun Guns.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE USE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TRUST FUND ("LETF") MONIES TO PROVIDE

FOR ACQUISITION AND TRAINING OF TASER STUN GUNS PER COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 12

Resolution No. 2563.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2563.18

A motion to approve was made by Councilmember Rojas, seconded by Councilmember Lusskin.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein
Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas
Councilmember Judy Lusskin

Aye
Aye

The motion passed.

Town Attorney Kathy Mehaffey read into the record a revision on page 2, section 2 of the item stating that the section will now read, "the expenditure of authorized LETF funds. That the use of LETF funds for the purchase of Tasers for all law enforcement officers is hereby authorized and approved."

Town Manager stated that the item gives the Town authorization to purchase 25 Tasers, but only those officers that qualify will be issued one.

Councilmember Lusskin asked if the officers need to be tased in order to carry a Taser.

Town Manager said no. Stated that they still needed to qualify to be able to carry the Taser.

13. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Purchase of Five Chevrolet Tahoe Police Patrol Fleet Vehicles.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND EQUIPPING OF FIVE CHEVROLET TAHOE POLICE PATROL VEHICLES AND THE USE OF GENERAL FUNDS TO PURCHASE AND EQUIP THE VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 13

Resolution No. 2564.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2564.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Lusskin</u>, seconded by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein
Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas
Councilmember Judy Lusskin

Aye
Aye
Aye

The motion passed.

Town Manager stated that these vehicles will be funded out of next year's budget. The Administration is asking for permission to preorder them. We will pay for them when they arrive in next year's budget, just don't want the rates to go up.

14. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Purchase of Two Chevrolet Tahoe Administrative Police Vehicles.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE AND EQUIPPING OF TWO CHEVROLET TAHOE'S ADMINISTRATIVE POLICE VEHICLES AND THE USE OF GENERAL FUNDS TO PURCHASE AND EQUIP THE VEHICLES; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 14

Resolution No. 2565.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2565.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Lusskin</u>, seconded by Councilmember Rojas.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein
Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas
Councilmember Judy Lusskin

Aye
Aye
Aye

The motion passed.

Town Manager stated that this item replaces two older vehicles in the Town's fleet.

15. A Resolution of the Town Council Awarding a Milling and Resurfacing Contract to Bejar Construction, Inc.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA APPROVING A PROPOSAL FROM BEJAR CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR RENOVATION OF THE TOWN'S BEACH FACILITIES; PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-275, SUBSECTION 3 OF THE TOWN'S CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 15

Resolution No. 2566.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2566.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Bernstein</u>, seconded by Councilmember Lusskin.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein
Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas
Councilmember Judy Lusskin

Aye
Aye
Aye

The motion passed.

Town Attorney Kathy Mehaffey read one revision into the record to section 5 Authorization to fill in the dollar amount to an amount not to exceed \$53,426.00.

Mayor Singer stated that the item should read that it was subject to the approval of the Town Manager and the Mayor.

Town Manager spoke on the item stating that when the projects at The Strand were delivered none of those areas were remilled. Asking Council to waive competitive bidding and award the contract to Bejar Construction.

16. A Resolution of the Town Council Authorizing the Sale of One Surplus Police Vehicle.

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF GOLDEN BEACH, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF ONE SURPLUS POLICE VEHICLE FROM THE TOWN'S

VEHICLE FLEET; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Exhibit: Agenda Report No. 16

Resolution No. 2567.18

Sponsor: Town Administration

Recommendation: Motion to Approve Resolution No. 2567.18

A motion to approve was made by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>, seconded by Councilmember Bernstein.

On roll call, the following vote ensued:

Mayor Glenn Singer
Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal
Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein
Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas
Councilmember Judy Lusskin

Aye
Aye

The motion passed.

Town Manager stated that as the Town takes delivery of new vehicles, it will surplus the older ones. The goal is to surplus all of the Town's explorers and keep the Tahoes.

P. DISCUSSION & DIRECTION TO TOWN MANAGER

Mayor Glenn Singer:

Possibility of Requirement of Certificate of Re-Occupancy at Sale of Property

Stated that the Town Manager and he were thinking of different ways to protect the values of the properties in Town and at the same time look at new revenue sources for Golden Beach. One thing that came to mind is that prior to a closing in a property/transfer of ownership, that the owner would be required to have an inspection done at his/her property. That would do two things – make sure that no work was done without any permits and the second is that with that the Town could charge a \$2,500 fee to the homeowner. It is a small amount for the homeowner and it will protect the Town from work being done without permits.

Councilmember Lusskin stated that she thinks it is a good idea. In addition to the added revenue, the resident moving will know that they are moving in to a home that is structurally sound.

Councilmember Bernstein stated that he personally is against it. Feels that the residents pay enough taxes and feels that this fee is something that the residents will not want. Thinks that this is excessive.

Councilmember Rojas stated that she agrees with Councilmember Bernstein. The buyer already is going to do a home inspection if they are a responsible buyer.

Councilmember Bernstein added that if the buyer is demolishing the home, this is an added unnecessary fee.

Mayor Singer stated that this is just a discussion and if the Council feels that it is a mute point then it won't be addressed again.

Town Manager stated that he would like the Town Attorney to go back and research what other communities have done to see if this is something that can be done.

Attorney Mehaffey stated that there is some basic baseline on that fee. That fee can only be used to cover your costs and it goes directly to the implementation of that program.

Mayor Singer stated that he would like to drop it for now and if the Manager feels it's important down the road it will be revisited.

Vice Mayor Jaime Mendal: None Requested

Councilmember Kenneth Bernstein: None Requested

Councilmember Amy Isackson-Rojas: None Requested

Councilmember Judy Lusskin: None Requested

Town Manager Alexander Diaz:

BRAB request to modify code to allow for pitched roofs

Stated that the BRAB feels that the types of homes that are being built in Town are a result of the Town changing it's ordinances a few years back. These modern square homes that are being seen throughout Town the code dictates that style because of the way that you can distribute the volume of the shell of the home. They are asking for some relief to be allowed when it comes to pitched roofs. One of the simple things we can do is to say that no building structure can be higher than 30 feet, but if you wanted to have a pitched roof you can have 10 additional feet above that roof. They want to create incentives so that the designs we see no longer mimic the square box feel of the designs that are being done in Town. That's just one example. Administration is asking that the Town Attorney, in consultation with the Town's Planner and the Building Official look at creative ways to incentivize design.

Mayor Singer stated that he 100% supports it.

Town Manager stated that it's not just the BRAB, other residents have complained about the same thing.

Q. ADJOURNMENT:

A motion to adjourn the Council Meeting was made by <u>Councilmember Lusskin</u>, seconded by <u>Councilmember Rojas</u>.

Consensus vote <u>5</u> Ayes <u>0</u> Nays. Motion passes.

The meeting adjourned at 9:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lissette Perez Lissette Perez Town Clerk