

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE  
HELD IN THE TOWN HALL ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1997, 8:00 AM.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Digby Bridges and roll call was answered by the following:

Commissioner Aaskov	Commissioner Kaleel
Commissioner Stamos	Mayor Bridges

Town Clerk Hancsak advised that Comm O'Hare was running late.

III. South Lake Worth Inlet Technical Advisor Interviews

A. Coastal Systems International, Inc.

Harvey Sasso, President of CSI, Inc., gave the presentation to the Commission.

He summarized that their capability would allow them to investigate and recommend a course of action on any aspect of the inlet plan's scope of work as shown below.

- I. Physical Inlet Characteristics
  - A. General
  - B. Structures and Navigational Features
  - C. Inlet Influences
  - D. Hydrodynamics
- II. Sediment Budget Analysis
- III. Environmental Analysis
- IV. Identification of Viable Alternatives
- V. Engineering, Economy and Environmental Analysis of Alternatives
- VI. Selection of Recommended Alternative and Implementation Actions

Comm O'Hare arrived at approximately 8:15 AM.

Mr. Sasso stated that his company is currently the advisor for the Hillsboro Inlet and that they had also developed the Port Everglades Inlet Management Plan.

Mr. Sasso's conclusion included their inlet management experience, their objective perspective, and their County and State recognition as some of the reasons that CSI would be the best candidate for the technical advisor.

The Commission asked a few questions and the interview was concluded after a total of a half hour.

The Mayor called a recess at 8:45 and the meeting was reconvened at 8:55.

B. Mote Marine Laboratory

Clifford Truitt, Senior Scientist at Mote Marine Laboratory, introduced himself to the Commission and gave an overview of Mote Marine Laboratory. He stated that it was an independent, non-profit company that has been providing excellence in Marine Science since 1955.

Dr. Truitt then gave a description of his personal qualifications. Among those qualifications were his experience with the US Army Corps of Engineers Coastal Engineering Research Center and as the senior technical head of Florida's statewide coastal regulatory program. He also gave a summary of his specific experience including project administration for the Anna Maria Island Beach Restoration and the Palm Beach/Jungle Way Seawall Restoration.

Dr. Truitt also relayed that if the RFP included the design phase, he would not have responded and added that he was definitely interested in the technical advisory aspect.

Following his presentation, the Commission asked a few questions and the interview was concluded.

At this point, Town Attorney Nicoletti introduced Randy Zeldin who the Commission had recently approved for the position of Special Master. Mr. Zeldin introduced himself to the Commission and said a few words regarding his feelings of the responsibility of the Special Master and offered to answer any questions or concerns that the Commission may have. The Commission thanked him for coming to the meeting and advised they have no major questions at this time.

The Mayor called a recess at 9:45 and the meeting was reconvened at 9:55.

C. Olsen Associates, Inc.

Eric Olsen, Principal Engineer for Olsen Associates, Inc., furnished the Commission with his background including his experience on the study of the sand management plan for the South Lake Worth Inlet District.

Mr. Olsen summarized his thoughts on what must happen for a successful project. The first item is that the groin to the south of the Inlet needs to be filled in its entirety. The second item is the understanding that the performance of the project is a combination of the sand that is put there and the natural sand. The final item is that the existing system with the two bypass points has to be extended to the end of the groin fields.

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Mr. Olsen told the Commission that he does have a vested interest in seeing this project done correctly as he was the engineer who designed the project and that the job of the advisor would be to ensure that the study maintains its parameters.

The Commission asked several questions and the interview was concluded.

The Commission then ranked the candidates and Town Clerk Hancsak recorded the results. Mote Marine Laboratory received four first place rankings and Olsen Associates received the other first place ranking and three second place rankings.

The Commission all concurred that they felt Coastal Systems, International seemed interested in preparing another design and they were very satisfied with Dr. Truitt's experience and overall interview. They also felt Olsen Associates, Inc. may present a conflict of interest at some point.

Comm Kaleel moved to accept the ranking of Mote Marine Laboratory, Olsen Associates, and Coastal Systems International and to enter into negotiations with Mote Marine Laboratory, seconded by Comm O'Hare.

Motion Carried - Yea 5.

Comm Stamos stated that the negotiations should establish his services including the number of meetings that he will attend to which Town Manager Lanker explained that the Town does not know how many meetings this would involve.

Comm Kaleel suggested that the negotiations attempt to establish a maximum payout of \$10,000. Town Manager Lanker reminded the Commission that they previously approved \$10,000 from the contingency account for this advisor.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 AM.

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Mayor Bridges

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Commissioner Aaskov

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Commissioner Kaleel

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Commissioner O'Hare

Attest By:

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Town Clerk

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Commissioner Stamos