

REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF OCEAN RIDGE TO BE HELD IN THE TOWN HALL ON MONDAY, JULY 7, 1997, 7:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stamos. After the Pledge of Allegiance, roll call was answered by the following:

Commissioner Aaskov	Commissioner Bridges
Commissioner Kaleel	Commissioner O'Hare
Mayor Stamos	

IV. REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONS, WITHDRAWALS, DEFERRALS, ARRANGEMENT OF ITEMS

Comm O'Hare requested that Items V.B.3(a) and V.D.1 be removed from the consent agenda for discussion.

Comm Bridges suggested that Item V.B.1(b) be withdrawn and discussed after the approval of the consent agenda.

Mayor Stamos requested removal of and discussion on Item V.D.2 of the consent agenda.

Comm O'Hare requested that a meeting date be set to discuss the Boynton Beach property and Mayor Stamos advised that it would be discussed as Item 2 under items by Commissioners.

V. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes
 - 1. Regular Meeting of June 2, 1997
 - 2. Special Meeting of June 17, 1997
- B. Reports
 - 1. Town Manager
 - a. Beach Replenishment
 - c. Phase II Water Improvement Project Update
 - d. Town Manager Absence
 - 2. Director of Public Safety
 - a. Monthly Activity Report
- C. Correspondence
 - 1. City of Lake Worth resolution No. 33-97; Providing for a Request to the Insurance Commissioner of Florida, to Review and Amend Policies/Procedures for Insurance Coverage, Including Rates, for all Types of Insurance for the Residents of the State of Florida

Comm Bridges moved to approve the consent agenda as amended, seconded by Comm O'Hare.

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Motion Carried - Yea 5.

- B. Reports
 - 1. Town Manager
 - b. Sewer Funding

Town Manager Lanker advised that the probable route for the Town to fund sewer construction would be low cost loans from the State Revolving Fund as administered by the State Department of Environmental Protection (DEP). The State Department of Community Affairs and The Federal Rural Utility Services agency have average Town Income restrictions which would not allow the Town enough priority to receive the limited funds available. He commented that the Town might want to consider forming its own utility for water and impose a surcharge that could be used for sewer construction. He concluded that the Town has few if any hazardous water levels and would not be a high priority of the DEP to mandate sewer conversion.

- B. Reports
 - 3. Town Clerk
 - a. Authorize Mowing and Subsequent Liening of Same for 7 Properties in Town

Town Clerk Hancsak advised that seven certified letters had been sent to owners of lots with overgrown vegetation currently in violation of the Town Code. The owners were given fifteen days from receipt of the letter to correct the violation which had expired. She explained that authorization was needed for the Town to mow the lots and place liens on the property if this service is not paid within ten days.

Comm O'Hare inquired if there was a way to convert the control of this situation to the Town Manager as opposed to waiting for Town Commission approval before mowing and liening the property.

Comm O'Hare moved to authorize the mowing and subsequent liening of same for seven properties in Town, seconded by Comm Aaskov.

Motion Carried - Yea 5.

Comm Aaskov inquired if these are lots that were previously contracted to be mowed by the Town. Town Clerk Hancsak advised that most of them are. She suggested that a procedure be initiated that would allow for automatic penalties if a lot owner had to be notified of violations repeatedly within a certain time frame.

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Comm O'Hare moved to direct the Town Atty to draft an ordinance permitting the Town Manager blanket authorization for the mowing and subsequent liening lots in violation, seconded by Comm Aaskov.

Motion Carried - Yea 5.

D. Town Resolutions

1. No. 16; Authorize Execution of Addendum to
Garbage Contract with Browning Ferris Industries (BFI)

Comm O'Hare inquired if multi-family units are charged less than single family for garbage and trash services to which Town Clerk Hancsak replied that they are. She explained that most multi-family units contract the landscape work and the contractor usually removes the waste for disposal. Town Manager Lanker stated that there is a concern that companies could dump on multi-family lots if they had unlimited vegetative pick-up.

John Archambo, representative of Browning Ferris Industries, explained that there is no disposal credit given by the Solid Waste Authority for lots with five units or more.

Comm Kaleel asked if there was a cancellation clause in the agreement. Mr. Archambo explained that if the quality of service is not to the level that the Town expects, the agreement can be broken.

Comm Kaleel questioned the result of the cost increasing 3% every year as allowed in the contract. Mr. Archambo explained that even with that possible increase, Ocean Ridge would still have the lowest rate in the area. He added that BFI has been servicing Ocean Ridge for 30 years and brought in pick-up trucks to collect trash when the bridges could not be crossed by the regular garbage trucks.

Comm Bridges commented that he felt BFI has always looked after the Town and the contract is a fair agreement.

Comm Bridges moved to approve Resolution No. 16, seconded by Comm Aaskov.

Atty Nicoletti advised that "unit" would have to be clarified. Mr. Archambo explained that contractors may leave waste from previous jobs if multi-family was left with unlimited vegetative pick-up. He stated that he would be willing to have a 6 cubic yard pick-up limit for multi-family of five or more units. Atty Nicoletti advised that the Code would be amended to include necessity for commercial carriers to remove their own vegetative waste.

Comm Bridges amended his earlier motion to have the contract include "each multi-family

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residential development can have a maximum of six cubic yards," seconded by Comm O'Hare.

Motion Carried - Yea 5.

Chris Currie, 27 Tropical Dr., asked for clarification of what constitutes multi-family and was told that it was for five units or larger. He asked if his four unit lot would be considered multi-family and was told that it would not be.

Town Clerk Hancsak clarified that the Town Atty was amending the Code to state that commercial landscape companies working on lots with units of five or more be required to dispose of their own vegetative waste. Comm O'Hare suggested that the amendment include the requirement of contractors using BFI dumpsters for their building waste as that is also included in the contract with BFI.

2. No. 22; Approve/Authorize Execution of Police/Fire Service Contract with the Town of Briny Breezes

Mayor Stamos questioned the terms of previous contracts. Town Clerk Hancsak explained that the current contract is for two years and the previous contracts were for five years.

Mayor Stamos questioned if there was an increase in the contract. Town Manager Lanker explained that the increase is keeping in line with the increase in the Law Enforcement/Fire Control budget.

Comm O'Hare moved to approve Resolution No. 22, seconded by Comm Aaskov.

Motion Carried - Yea 5.

Comm Kaleel suggested that it would be beneficial to the Commissioners to have a history of previous contracts before approving a new one.

VI. PUBLIC REQUESTS

A. Discuss Landscaping Options for Interior Bridges - Inlet Cay Homeowner's Association

Comm O'Hare explained that options were discussed for the Inlet Cay bridge and a drawing was being submitted that incorporated suggestions from the last meeting and the addition of decorative panels.

Neil Hamilton, 1 Inlet Cay Dr., stated that the consensus of the residents on the Island was to use the Pigeon Plum, Indian Hawthorne, and Confederate Jasmine previously suggested by Comm

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Bridges. He added that the residents liked the idea of the pavers on the bridge and the panels. He suggested that the landscaping maintenance be done by a professional. He also commented that more policing may be necessary as he believes drivers to be crossing the bridge at 35-40 MPH which could be dangerous to those fishing off the bridge.

Mr. Hamilton stated that there are two utility poles of which one may not be necessary. Town Manager Lanker explained that Adelphia has agreed to move one of the poles.

Mr. Hamilton explained that he had no confidence in the contractor to reimburse them for the damaged sprinkler systems. Mayor Stamos stated that the replacements should be done in a timely manner and requested the Town Manager to follow up with the contractor.

John Cox, 17 Spanish River Dr., explained that the Homeowner's Association had received a \$40 water bill last month where previous bills had rarely exceeded \$7. Mayor Stamos advised that he give the bill to the Town Manager who will forward it on to the contractor.

Mr. Cox complained that dogs were defecating around the bridge and the owners were not cleaning up after them.

Comm O'Hare mentioned that quite a bit of the old bridge is still under water and needs to be cleaned up prior to the completion of the project.

Mayor Stamos instructed the Town Manager to speak with Bridge Design Associates regarding these issues.

Comm Bridges advised that he would have the drawings ready soon for the Sabal Island bridge so the Town could go out for bids. He stated that Sabal Island would be appreciative to have decorative panels for their bridge also.

Comm Kaleel moved to proceed on bidding proposal process for both interior bridges once drawings are submitted, seconded by Comm Aaskov.

Motion Carried - Yea 5.

B. Request for 10' Abandonment of Right-Of-Way Extreme
West End of Anna St - John and Miranda Andrews

John Andrews advised that he had met with Comm O'Hare and discussed a plan to turn the easement into a park which he produced an illustration of. He explained that the purpose was to deter people other than residents from loitering and littering in the area. He advised that he would accept responsibility for the maintenance and constructing of the wall that would continue across

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the width and south length of the property with a gate.

Comm O'Hare advised that his participation in the illustration of the park should not be interpreted as an endorsement. He explained that 10' would go to the Andrews' and that the wall around the park would be low enough for the Department of Public Safety to see over it when driving down Anna St..

Comm Kaleel questioned if Mr. and Mrs. Andrews were going to fix up the area. Mrs. Andrews replied that they were willing to maintain the wall, gate, and path and shrubs to the east of the entrance. Comm O'Hare asked if they would be willing to maintain the path and shrubs going back to the Intracoastal. Mr. Andrews replied that it was not their intention to maintain that area also.

Atty Nicoletti advised that regardless of who controls the maintenance, the area would have to remain open to the public. He added that abandonment of the Right-Of-Way would allow for Pelican Cove to receive half and the Town may want to consider closing the area as opposed to abandonment.

Comm Aaskov commented that regardless of who will own the area, it needs to be cleaned up. Comm Kaleel stated that he did not see the justification for abandoning the property if it only needs to be better maintained.

Vicki Conway, 2 Engel Dr., commented that she liked the plan although she would like a guarantee that the residents would still have access. She also suggested that perhaps the Right-Of-Way be kept and maintained by the Town and a variance given to the Andrews for the stairway on the side of the house (the illustration showed an outside stairway leading to the second floor of the Andrews' proposed house that would be in the setback area if the 10' of Right-Of-Way was not acquired by the Andrews).

Earl Jones, 14 Sailfish Lane, advised that there would be no guarantee that a subsequent owner would also maintain the area.

Betty Bingham, 1 Ocean Ave., stated that she did not agree with the Town abandoning any property that belongs to the residents for recreational use.

Richard Lucibella, 5 Beachway N, stated that the Town has an obligation to clean up this area. He added that everyone would be satisfied with this action by the Town and if variance approval was given to the Andrews' for their stairway.

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Mayor Stamos asked Mrs. Conway how the residents of the neighborhood felt. Mrs. Conway replied that she had not spoken to the neighbors since this new suggestion of the park appeared although some of her neighbors were opposed to giving away any of the Right-Of-Way. She added that she had no objection to the current suggestion.

Comm O'Hare advised that he was under the impression that the Town could abandon only the half of the Right-Of-Way desired by the Andrews. He stated that there would still be pedestrian access and the Town would get the improvements at no cost. Mr. Andrews corrected him advising that his suggestion was to finance and maintain the wall, gate, and the landscaping in the front of the gate, but not to maintain the entire area.

Comm Bridges stated that he could not agree with abandoning the area in order for the Andrews to have additional area when calculating their setback as they were aware of the size of the lot when they purchased it. He added that with all the resident opposition, he could not see giving the area away unless the remaining 10' of the Right-Of-Way was offered to Pelican Cove.

Mr. Jones asked if the Town would be able to get maintenance equipment through the proposed gate. Comm O'Hare stated that there was no landscaping proposed along the walkway that would require a tractor for maintenance.

Comm O'Hare stated that a reason for having setbacks is to ensure that houses would not be too close to a road. He explained that this would never become a road; therefore, the setback was not as important in this situation.

Comm Aaskov stated that she was opposed to giving away any more of the Town property as so many residents are opposed to it.

Comm O'Hare suggested that the Andrews drop their request as there is no interest in it. The commission concurred to conclude the discussion.

VII. COMMISSION ACTION

A. Ordinances

1. No. 498; Amending the Code of Ordinances; at Chapter 34, Nuisances, Reestablishing Construction Work Hours and Prohibiting Construction Work and Certain Construction Machinery and Noise on Sundays; and Federal Holidays (1st Reading)

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Town Clerk Hancsak read Ordinance No. 498 by title only.

Comm Bridges questioned what the federal holidays are to which Atty Nicoletti replied they are the six holidays traditionally followed (New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas).

Comm Bridges moved to approve Ordinance No. 498 on first reading, seconded by Comm O'Hare.

Comm O'Hare advised that Companies are often told what the approved working hours are and still violate them repeatedly. He suggested that the Department of Public Safety be given the ability to fine the repeat offenders that they track. Atty Nicoletti advised that the Ordinance would have to be revised to include tickets that can be issued similar to the Parking Citations.

Mayor Stamos questioned the result of a company being told to discontinue work and refusing. Director Hillery responded that they would then be arrested. Director Hillery explained that the problem with issuing a ticket would be that if payment was refused the only options would be to serve a Notice to Appear or request for the Special Master. He added that the fine would have to be large in order to be effective and discourage repeated violations.

Atty Nicoletti advised that he would withdraw Ordinance No. 498 to amend and present at the next meeting.

Town Clerk Hancsak advised that it could be brought for first reading at the budget meeting on July 22 and for second reading on August 4 and; therefore, be in place before Labor Day.

The Commission agreed.

- B. Resolutions
 - 1. No. 21; Authorize Execution of Maintenance Memorandums of Agreement for SR 804 (Ocean Ave.)

Town Manager Lanker advised that DOT wants the Town to enter into a maintenance contract for Ocean Ave. once the bridge is completed thereby making the Town responsible for any of the maintenance in the Right-Of-Way. Comm O'Hare suggested that the item be postponed until completed landscape plans are made available.

Mayor Stamos stated that the contract should include irrigation plans and a time certain when the Town's responsibility would begin.

Town Manager Lanker advised that the Town does have 60% plans for the project including the

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landscaping. Comm O'Hare stated that he felt too much was omitted from those plans to proceed.

The Commission concurred to postpone the item until completed plans are received.

C. Appoint Alternate Member to Board of Adjustment Due to Resignation

Town Clerk Hancsak advised that there was an alternate position through February 1998 vacant due to the resignation of Stephen Vance. She stated that one resident, Patrick Conway, had expressed interest in the position.

Comm O'Hare moved to approve Patrick Conway as an alternate member to Board of Adjustment, seconded by Comm Aaskov.

Motion Carried - Yea 5.

D. Select Special Meeting Date to Discuss FY 1997/98 Budget and Set Proposed Millage

Town Manager Lanker stated that the special meeting could not conflict with a County or School Board meeting on the same subject.

Town Clerk Hancsak advised that the purpose of the meeting would be to review the budget and set the proposed millage which is usually set higher than anticipated with the understanding that it can be lowered but not raised.

The Commission agreed to a meeting date of July 22, 1997 at 5:01 PM.

Comm Bridges questioned the dates of the other budget meetings. Town Clerk Hancsak stated that there would be the regular Town Commission meeting on August 4, and suggested the regular Town Commission meeting and budget hearing on September 9 at 5:01 PM, and another budget meeting on September 16 at 5:01 PM. The Commission all agreed to the meeting dates and times.

E. Approval of Change Order #1 Re: Water Improvements Phase II

Town Manager Lanker explained that the change order would allow Boynton Beach to tie into the 12" water main on Shore Dr. at no cost to the Town, although it would be necessary to add it to the Town's contract with Michel's Pipeline at a cost of \$59,850 to be paid by Boynton Beach.

Atty Nicoletti advised that in reviewing the Boynton Beach minutes, the City states that it will own and operate the 12" main on Shore Dr.. Atty Nicoletti stated that he felt it always was the intention

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of the Town to maintain control. He suggested that the approval specifically state that it is not the intent of the Town to transfer ownership.

Mayor Stamos stated he was concerned that if Boynton Beach would tap into the same line, the water pressure in Ocean Ridge would decrease.

Town Manager Lanker stated that Henry Glaus of Barker, Osha, Anderson had completed an engineering study on this which showed the affect to be insignificant.

Comm Bridges commented that he would not oppose Boynton Beach having ownership in the event that a problem arose, then the responsibility would be theirs.

Comm Kaleel commented that he was uncomfortable approving something the Commission is unsure of. He suggested that the engineer speak to the Commission on the matter.

Town Manager Lanker advised that the change order would increase the time for the contractor from forty-five to sixty-six days. Atty Nicoletti explained that he felt there would be no problem in approval if the Town maintained control or in the event that ownership was transferred to Boynton Beach, there was a guarantee of pressure for the Town.

Comm Kaleel moved to table the discussion until the July 10, 1997 meeting, seconded by Comm Bridges.

Motion Carried - Yea 5.

F. Approve Funding for Ocean Ave. Water Line Study by
Engineer

Town Manager Lanker advised that the Town's 10" water main which runs along the northside of the Ocean Ave. bridge between the Town and the City of Boynton Beach is in conflict with the bridge plans. He suggested that Henry Glaus do a computer study showing the impact of abandoning that 10" water main with the northern 12" water main in place. He explained that if the 10" water main is in an original Right-Of-Way, it would be the Town's responsibility to move, if necessary. Atty Nicoletti advised that if there had been as easement or grant given to the Town for the location of the 10" water main, it may be an exception.

Comm O'Hare suggested that the Town Atty research the history of the 10" water main before an engineering study is done.

Comm Kaleel moved to table discussion until the Town Atty has information on the 10" water main, seconded by Comm Bridges.

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Motion Carried - Yea 5.

G. Approve \$425,000 Loan Monies Appropriations

Town Manager Lanker explained that according to the contract, the one million dollars borrowed from First Union in January needs to be used within three years. After subtracting the \$575,000 for the bridge obligation, \$425,000 is left to be allocated. He stated that he was proposing to return \$250,000 to the General Fund's surplus monies that was used to cover the bridge contract and contingencies. He added that an additional \$50,000 was needed in the bond issue for the Phase II Water project. Of the remaining monies, he suggested \$15,000 be allocated for the alarm system and security camera equipment. He concluded that with the exception of the alarm equipment, all transfers were paper transfers only.

Comm O'Hare questioned the item of the security cameras. Director Hillery explained that there used to be cameras located in the cell, by the back door, by the outside door to the dispatch center, and by the bay door in the garage; however, they have slowly deteriorated and broken down.

Comm Kaleel moved to approve the allocation of funds as outlined by the Town Manager. There was no second to his motion.

Mayor Stamos advised that he was concerned over the amount of money that is being spent by the Town. Comm Kaleel stated that with the exception of the security equipment, this was only a transfer between funds.

Atty Nicoletti advised that these transfers should be done by resolution.

Comm Kaleel commented that he would like to see a summary of the Town funds including the rates of return. Mayor Stamos agreed.

Earl Jones advised of his concern that the additional \$425,000 that was borrowed in January would be spent on items other than the additional land the Town wants to purchase from Boynton Beach.

Comm Aaskov questioned the alarm equipment. Town Manager Lanker stated that it was discussed at the last meeting from which she was absent. He explained that the current alarm monitoring equipment was damaged when the Town Hall was struck by lightning in June and the Department of Public Safety is currently operating on old equipment.

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Town Clerk Hancsak explained that if the money for the equipment came out of the capital projects account it could be purchased now and not added into the next budget. Comm Bridges stated that he would like to see the equipment added to the next budget.

Director Hillery advised that there is no back-up for the system they are now using. Comm Kaleel stated that the equipment is very important and should not be delayed.

Comm Kaleel moved to allocate \$15,000 from the capital projects account for the alarm system and security camera equipment. There was no second to the motion.

Richard Lucibella, 5 Beachway N, stated that he knows the system used by the DPS is very old and the officers need all the tools possible to help them perform their duties efficiently. He advised that he felt the money for this equipment needs to be approved as soon as possible.

Comm Kaleel moved to allocate \$15,000 from the general fund for the alarm system and security camera equipment, seconded by Comm Bridges.

Atty Nicoletti advised that this would need to be done by resolution. The Commission agreed to add the resolution to the August 4, 1997 agenda.

H. Approve Purchase of Computer Equipment

Town Manager Lanker advised that the best proposal received was from Champion Computer Corporation who would supply everything needed including a Network File Server Computer and a three year warranty for a total of \$39,941 which includes a \$5,000 contingency.

Comm Kaleel stated that he would like to know more about the company. Town Manager Lanker advised that Champion works with four other municipalities in Palm Beach and Broward Counties.

Comm O'Hare questioned if the network and hardware installation would be the responsibility of the Network Administrator, Michael Tait. Town Manager Lanker explained that the installation is best done by the company adding that it would require more than one person.

Comm O'Hare suggested that Champion give a presentation to the Town Commission and references be obtained from other municipalities. Comm Kaleel suggested that other companies also give presentations for comparison.

Mayor Stamos inquired if it would be possible to phase the computers in over a number of years.

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Town Manager Lanker explained that it would be very difficult as some of the current computers do not have the ability to install windows.

Comm Kaleel inquired if the Network Administrator could be eliminated once the new system is up. Comm Bridges stated that he concurred with that idea. Town Manager Lanker suggested that it would not be cost effective to have an outside agency do the additional support work. Comm Bridges advised that he had previously submitted comparisons between service companies showing the low cost of an outside agency.

Mr. Lucibella inquired if this was a Windows 95 system to which Town Manager Lanker stated that it was. Mr. Lucibella advised that the system could not be phased in as some of it would be obsolete by the time that it was installed.

Mayor Stamos suggested that the lowest three companies be invited to give presentations. Comm O'Hare requested that the companies have something prepared beforehand for distribution.

Town Clerk Hancsak suggested that the presentations be given before the next Town Commission meeting. The Commission concurred to meet a half hour before the August 4 meeting for the presentations.

Mayor Stamos questioned if there would be additional training needed for the staff. Town Manager Lanker explained that there may be minimal training necessary that is accounted for in the \$5,000 contingency.

H. Items by Commissioners

1. Discuss Cable Television Service and Rates -

Comm Kaleel (Postponed Item)

Comm Kaleel advised that in addition to the rate comparison supplied for Adelphia in other municipalities, he wanted to know what other options there are.

Atty Nicoletti advised that the franchise with Adelphia had expired and the Town could advertise for others or negotiate with Adelphia.

Mayor Stamos advised that he had just received another increase and questioned how that could happen without Commission approval. Atty Nicoletti explained that federal law allows Adelphia certain increases.

Comm Bridges suggested that the Town Manager contact other cable companies to see if any would be interested in serving the Town.

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2. Discuss Format for Joint Meeting with Boynton Beach - Mayor Stamos

Mayor Stamos advised that he had received a call from the Town Manager before the June 30th meeting planned to discuss the Town's options with Boynton Beach. He stated that the Town Manager had conveyed to the Commissioners that the Boynton Beach staff and Commissioners were upset feeling that the Town was trying to sandbag them with their meeting. Mayor Stamos stated that he believed the Boynton Beach Commissioners receive misinformation from their staff. He advised that he was disappointed in the Town Manager for calling to cancel the meeting at the last minute and also for participating in meetings with Boynton Beach staff without a Commission member present. He added that he had spoken to the Town Manager on this and requested that future issues be discussed fully with the Commission in order to prevent this type of situation from recurring.

Mayor Stamos suggested that the Town have a meeting Thursday morning to discuss options and issues that the Commission wants to present to the Boynton Beach Commissioners in a meeting soon to follow.

Comm O'Hare agreed that a meeting is needed for Thursday morning to outline what the Commission wants the Town Manager to do.

Comm Kaleel advised that in contacting all the Commissioners and canceling the meeting by a consensus, he did not feel that the Town Manager acted improperly. He added that he does agree that one of the Commission should be present at any negotiation meetings with Boynton Beach staff and/or Commissioners.

Comm Bridges advised that he was under the impression that the Commission was going to meet with Boynton Beach first and then discuss available options.

Town Manager Lanker explained that after a utilities meeting in Boynton Beach, the City Manager and Mayor told him of their concern that Ocean Ridge was going to force condemnation for the properties.

Comm O'Hare stated that since the Town has multiple issues with Boynton Beach, the Commission should be able to compromise on a few issues. He added that he was upset that Boynton Beach feels they can dictate when the Town has a meeting.

Mayor Stamos stated that he feels the Commission should use Thursday to create a plan of the issues they want to discuss with the Boynton Beach Commission. He added that after that meeting,

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the Town Clerk would contact Boynton Beach staff to set up a meeting date.

3. Discuss DOT Plans for Ocean Ave. Bridge - Mayor Stamos

This item had been discussed in relation to Resolution No. 21.

4. Discuss Parking Hours for County Hammock Park - Comm Bridges

Comm Bridges advised that there have been complaints of cars parked in the lot after dark which places an added responsibility on the Sheriff's Office. He suggested that a definite time such as 8:00 PM for the close of the park be given as opposed to "sunset."

Director Hillery advised that parking at the beach across the street is allowed until 11:00 PM and all County parks' close at sundown. He stated that he would contact the County Parks Department for options.

Comm Kaleel suggested that Director Hillery call the Parks Department and follow the conversation with a letter. The Commission concurred.

5. Discuss Allocation of Funds to Relocate Trees from Ocean Ave. - Comm O'Hare

Comm O'Hare explained that he has informal plans on where to transplant the trees that the Beautification Task Force had saved from Ocean Ave. which would cost about \$8800 for transplanting.

Comm Bridges stated that he believed the Commission was spending too much money. Mayor Stamos suggested that a landscape architect be contacted to see if the Town would be able to trade a portion of the trees for free transplanting.

Comm O'Hare reminded the Commission that the Town would be getting the trees for a fraction of their value. He added that the Town should not pass up opportunities such as these.

Mrs. Conway suggested that residents be contacted near areas where the trees would be useful. She added that the area discussed earlier on Anna St. might be a good place for the Town to transplant trees in order to beautify the area.

Mr. Lucibella stated that he believed trading some of the trees in exchange for free transplanting was a good idea that should be researched.

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Betty Bingham, 1 Ocean Ave., advised that she felt some of the trees would survive the bridge construction as they are so far back and urged the Commission to keep some of the landscaping on Ocean Ave..

Comm O'Hare stated that DOT would not save any of the trees if they were left on Ocean Ave.. He advised that he would contact different companies for proposals and also contact residents who might wish to help with donations.

Comm Kaleel questioned whether it would be economically feasible to use some of these trees for the landscaping near the Sabal Island and Inlet Cay bridges. Comm Bridges advised there would not be enough of one species.

Shelly Childers, 22 Harbour Dr. S, reminded the Commission that about six months prior to this meeting, residents were complaining about the look of the Town and this is a good opportunity to begin correcting that problem.

6. Discuss Electrical Power Lines on Ocean Ave. -
Comm O'Hare

Comm O'Hare stated that he believed the power lines on Ocean Ave. were supposed to be buried by DOT. He added that the Town should insist that the bridge feed from the back power lines instead of overhead lines. Town Manager Lanker explained that FPL is reviewing that option and they do believe it can be done that way.

He advised that he would update the Commission at the next meeting.

Bruce Gimmy, 12 Ocean Ave., stated that he thought the Town would have to pay for DOT to bury the lines. Town Manager Lanker explained that DOT agreed to bury all lines.

7. Update on Project 2000 - Comm Kaleel

Comm Kaleel advised that he believes there should be a Town meeting to discuss the Town's plans for the future. He stated that he had contacted Florida Atlantic University about a study that could be done outlining the future needs of the Town. He was told that the services from FAU would not be cost effective for a Town of this size. He stated that he would be contacting private companies who do these studies and may have some figures by the next meeting.

Comm Bridges suggested that university students be contacted for this as they can also do the study at a much lower cost to the Town.

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VIII. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Jones stated that he would like an update on lawsuits involving the Town and the defibrillators for the Public Safety vehicles. He advised that he had spoken to a past Officer of the Town who had discussed the money he had received from the Town on his lawsuit. Mr. Jones commented that he would like updates on the lawsuits to know how the taxpayers' money is being used. Comm Kaleel assured him that the Town's insurance paid the money from the lawsuit. Atty Nicoletti advised that he does create an update on the lawsuits against the Town that he would be able to get from the Clerk's Office.

Director Hillery advised that he had attended a conference that focused on the issue of defibrillators citing that law enforcement was slow to get them because of the training that is involved. He reminded the Commission that the Town has applied for a grant with Boynton Beach that would reimburse 75% of the cost. He stated that presently the grant has not been issued. He advised that he will be requesting that the Commission pay for them outright and be reimbursed later if the grant is approved.

Comm Aaskov asked if the fire hydrants were being flushed to which Director Hillery explained that they were on a maintenance schedule.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 PM.

Mayor Stamos

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Commissioner Aaskov

Commissioner Bridges

Attest By:

Commissioner Kaleel

Town Clerk

Commissioner O'Hare