

PUBLIC HEARING/TENTATIVE BUDGET ADOPTION MEETING AND
REGULAR TOWN COMMISSION MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 10, 2012

Public Hearing/Tentative Budget Adoption Meeting of the Town of Ocean Ridge held on Monday, September 10, 2012, at 5:01PM in the Town Hall Meeting Chambers.

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

Commissioner Aaskov Commissioner Brookes
Commissioner Allison Commissioner Hennigan
Mayor Pugh

PUBLIC HEARING

a. Comments from Commissioners and Public

Clerk Hancsak summarized the July 25th Special Budget Meeting. Consensus to keep the holiday lighting in the budget, remove the purchase of 2 guns \$900 reduction, remove the purchase of 2 radios \$6000 reduction, add 2 fully equipped police vehicles \$68,000, recalculate the Alarm Monitoring Service to \$300/year \$30,000 revenue addition, recalculate G/Trash service to \$225/\$157.30 proposed for single family and multi-family rates \$35,052 revenue addition. The changes resulted in a \$61,100 addition in expenditures bring the total expenditures in the General Fund from \$5,139,101 to \$5,200,201. She stated the Aug 6th Budget discussion did not result in any changes to the budget.

Public Comment

Kristine deHaseth, 29 Sabal Island Drive, asked that the Commission's goal should be to balance the budget without going into reserves. Ocean Ridge had a high town debt, and asked them to be fiscally responsible and keep the millage rate down. She also requested that any capital expenditures for the Police Department be frozen until a decision is made concerning the PBSO. She felt that any salary increase be based on merit and that a 5% salary increase was unsustainable, and that usage taxes seemed to be our only revenue source that could be increased. She asked that we renegotiate with BBFD, and was concerned with the possible closing of Station #1. She encouraged the Commission to develop a long term plan possibly working with the other communities and stated that the Commission had done a great job up to this point.

Michael Goldstein, 5572 N Ocean Blvd, stated that he was new coming to the meetings. He noted that California had a history of not being fiscally responsible, and asked Ocean Ridge to use caution and not let it get out of hand.

Chuck Ranson, 6782 N Ocean Blvd, stated that he had just learned of the possibility of Ocean Ridge going with the PBSO. He had lived in Palm Beach prior to moving to Ocean Ridge. He considered their police department great, but he considered Ocean Ridge's Police Department as a spectacular police department. He considered it a privilege to live here, and requested that we not dilute the level of service, and he was willing to pay higher taxes to support it.

Comments from the Commission

Comm. Aaskov stated that she was opposed to charging a higher amount for Alarm Monitoring and Garbage/Trash service. She was in favor of the initial proposed increases of \$200 for Alarm Monitoring and \$225 for residential billing of Garbage/Trash and \$157.50 for the multi-family rate. She stated that she has an interest in Crown Colony, after working there for 30 years, and she figured it out that their fees would raise over \$2,000 for that complex if we went from \$157 to \$175, so she would rather see it at \$157. Comm. Allison agreed with the lower rates and to not raise them too high. It was briefly discussed that reasonable administrative costs could be included in the cost to maintain a level of service.

Comm. Brookes felt that Ocean Ridge was restricted with sources of income, and felt that if the usage services were not increased then it would just result in a higher millage rate. At the PBSO Workshop, many of the residents had spoke up in favor of keeping the alarm service.

Comm. Hennigan asked that Ocean Ridge live within its means, pay for mandatory items, but not pay discretionary ones such as increases or deductibles. She stated that we all had to we share the pain and share the gain, and later when the economy improves we could all share the gain. She requested that funds be spend judiciously and wisely, and to keep the taxes as low as possible and while she appreciated the employees the Commission should not put their desires over the residents. She also mentioned that the residents will have to contend with increases of 100-200% by Citizens Insurance

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Comm. Allison stated that quality of life was also a mandatory item, and they as the Commission should say thank you by providing for the staff monetarily. She felt that all the Commissioners take their job seriously and even though they all have different opinions, they should work together.

It was discussed that the proposed millage of 5.75 would result in a 12% increase; a 5.6 millage rate would result in a 9% increase and a 5.5 millage rate would result in 8% increase, and 5.25 would be a 3% increase. The millage rate of 5.75 was proposed knowing that they could come down, but they could not go up. It was not a hard number.

Staff benefits/salaries were discussed that in the last 3 years there had been no raises, no cafeteria plan and no step plan. It was also suggested that any increases should happen after the PBA negotiations. It was discussed that the rest of the staff (13) should be treated separately than the PBA officers (13), and that once the negotiations were final any decisions could be made retroactive to the PBA officers. Comm. Brookes suggested that a 2.5% one-time lump sum salary increase of \$37,826 which could be offset with the savings of the new health insurance. Comm. Hennigan commented that while 1.5% was proposed to the PBA she would support the 2.5%. Mayor Pugh suggested a 5% lump sum salary increase at a cost of \$75,651 and also the \$1500 deductible for a budget totaling \$5,273,606, citing that it had been several years since staff received a raise. Comm. Hennigan mentioned staff salaries were in the mid-upper range compared to other communities. No decision was made on salary increases or funding of the deductible for the health insurance.

Clerk Hancsak presented a chart of budget changes on the overhead. It showed the total expenditures and revenues of the original proposed budget, the current budget, and a list of potential changes to the budget and the amount needed to balance each using a 5.25 millage rate. The current budget listed: 1) \$900 Expense Reduction for guns. 2) \$6000 Expense Reduction for 2 radios. 3) \$68,000 Expense Increase – purchase of 2 police vehicles. 4) \$30,000 Revenue Increase for Alarms 4) \$35,052 Revenue Increase for G/Trash billing. The potential changes were the following: 1) \$2615 Expense Increase for 3 Mos. 2012 PBA Deductible. 2) \$19,530 Expense Increase 9 Months of approved \$2000 2013 Deductible. 3) \$30,600 Expense Decrease for Health Ins Premium. 4) \$7300 Expense Decrease – Liability Insurance. 5) \$8000 Revenue Increase for Trade In of 2 Police Vehicles. If the Commission approved all of the above changes with a proposed millage of 5.25, the amount need to balance the budget would be \$69,594. If the Commission approved \$1500 Ins Deductible for the remaining employees in the amount of \$13,500, then the amount needed to balance the budget would be \$83,094. Any salary increases of 1.5% to 5% would range from \$26,146 to \$87,042 and were supplied on a separate sheet with total cost and could be added to the final expense figure which would then advise the revenue necessary to balance the budget..

Comm. Hennigan suggested removing \$5,000 for the cost of the new Alarm Equipment. She added that until the PBSO decision has been made she could see no reason to spend money that can be thrown away. Chief Yannuzzi advised that he has not obtained an official bid (\$5,000 being an estimate) yet but he suggested that it remain in the budget as frozen, as are the other police capital items, until the decision is made. He stated that he will be looking at a unit at Jupiter Inlet Colony in the end of the month. Comm Hennigan also asked if a resident has their alarm monitored by a separate company did they not receive the same service? and how were they paying for it? Chief Yannuzzi stated that the alarm company would contact dispatch, and an officer would respond. The police services are funded by their taxes.

Chief Yannuzzi presented a chart with 5 categories. 1) Current salaries of all the employees including the Police Department. 2) Proposed 5% salary increase. 3) Salaries if there had been no freeze of the step plan. 4) Proposed 5% salary increase & Step Salaries. 5) Salary changes if we went with PBSO and compared to the 5% Proposed salary increase. Chief Yannuzzi explained that 20 of the 26 employees were in his Police Department and that at the May PBSO Workshop, the vast majority of the 200 residents that attended stated that that wanted to keep the ORPD and were in favor of paying to maintain the current level of service. A 5% Salary Increase would change attitudes and improve morale. He also stated that with all due respect to the PBA, he requested that the Commission do something for the rest of the staff

Comm. Hennigan asked if the Budget would drive the PBA, or did the PBA Negotiations drive the budget. Manager Schenck stated that the Budget would drive the PBA. Comm. Hennigan stated that any additions such as salary or insurance deductibles would cause the Police Budget to almost double the PBSO bid. She suggested outsourcing our Dispatch Department like Gulfstream outsources theirs to Delray for

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\$58,000. Our Dispatch cost is \$350,000. Chief Yannuzzi reminded the Commission that the PBSO bid was only for 11 officers, and if requested he could do a budget for only 11 officers also without a dispatch department. Mayor Pugh stated that this was a budget meeting, and not a time to discuss the PBSO bid. He stated that the ORPD had a history of a high level of service, and he wanted to retain the employees. He was not in favor however of giving them raises just because they were there. Now was the time to bite the bullet and pay for their level of service. He complimented the ORPD stating that nowhere in Palm Beach County could you get this level of service; it was by far greater than any other.

Comm. Allison motioned to increase the current Alarm Monitoring billing from \$180/year to \$200/year. Seconded by Comm. Aaskov.

Motion Carried – Yea (5).

Comm. Aaskov motioned to increase the Garbage & Trash billing at \$225/year for Single Family Residents and \$157.50 for multi-family residents as originally proposed. Seconded by Comm. Allison.

Motion Carried – Yea 3 (Aaskov, Allison, Pugh)
Nay 2 (Brookes and Hennigan)

Clerk Hancsak noted that the above 2 motions would reduce the proposed revenues by \$30,000, and \$35,052 respectively.

Comm. Brookes stated that it didn't seem that Ocean Ridge was losing officers because of salaries but rather due to retirement, and rather than increasing the hourly rate that would raise overtime and other costs; he would be more in favor of a one-time lump sum. Atty. Spillias stated that formal action was required to grant any pay increases. Comm. Hennigan commented that in speaking with some of the officers they were thrilled to have a job and thrilled to come work in such a lovely place. Mayor Pugh stated that he must have missed that conversation. Chief Yannuzzi clarified that the issue is not with the new officers but with the ones that have been here several years at the same pay and have not gotten any increases or see their salaries compared to other agencies. Comm Brookes commented that the job salaries should be reviewed prior to salary increases, which would affect all benefits.

Comm Brookes again mentioned a 2.5% flat lump sum. Comm Hennigan questioned if he was including a deductible to which he advised he was only addressing the increase at this point. Comm Allison clarified that at this time they were trying to reach a bottom line figure for the budget. Comm Hennigan asked if the other Commissioners realized how awful all of this sounds, doing all this, in public while they have had shade meetings about the PBA negotiations and now have totally blown everything they have talked about. A few of the other Commissioners stated that was okay with them. Comm Hennigan said that this was breaching confidentially. Comm Allison said it was okay to discuss.

Comm Brookes clarified the summary figures on the chart previously explained and what any additions or deletions would equate to for the total budget. Town Clerk Hancsak stated that once there was a final budget figure then the Commission could decide on the millage and amount of reserves to be used.

Comm. Hennigan motioned to remove \$68,000 from the proposed expenses for the 2 police vehicles and \$8,000 from the proposed income from the trade-in of the 2 old police vehicles. Seconded by Comm. Brookes.

Chief Yannuzzi displayed a chart showing the breakdown of the proposed new police vehicles. The 2 possible choices were a Ford SUV or a Chevy Caprice. The breakdown listed all the equipment, supplies needed for assembly. He stated that the pricing of the Ford SUV was from the State Contract, and the price of the Chevy Caprice was from the Sheriff's Contract. In comparing the 2 type vehicles, he felt that the Ford SUV was roomier and would better accommodate our needs. He also noted that the existing laptops were 5 years old, and needed to be replaced. Some of the vehicles were over 100,000 miles, and the cars no longer had extended warranties to offset any repairs.

Motion Failed – Yea (2), Nae (3) Comm. Aaskov, Comm. Allison, Mayor Pugh

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b. Adoption of Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2011-2012

Comm Allison moved that a budget in the amount of \$5,273,606 be tentatively adopted for the 2012-13 Operating Fund. Comm. Aaskov seconded the motion.

Clerk Hancsak requested a recess to calculate the millage rates. Recess was granted at 6:55pm and meeting convened again at 7:08pm.

Clerk Hancsak stated that with a proposed budget of \$5,273,606 the millage rate would be 5.54 creating a \$28,500 shortage and 7.41% millage rate increase from last year. If the Commission chose a proposed budget of \$5,197,955, the millage rate would be 5.53 creating a \$28,280 shortage.

Public Comment.

Kristine deHaseth, 29 Sabal Island Drive, asked for clarification. She was not in favor of using reserves, and asked the Commission to look at increasing the alarms or garbage/trash billing. She applauded splitting the employees, she asked that the police cars be removed from the budget, and she was in favor of a lump sum for the employees rather than increasing their hourly rates.

Justus Brown, 39 Coconut Lane, felt that the Commission was on the right track and was in favor of the employees receiving a 5% one-time increase. The police thought he was being suspicious and had followed him home one night. They did not recognize his car until he turned in his driveway. He thanked them for doing a good job.

Mark Becker 88 Island Dr South, was not in favor of using reserves, he asked that the budget be transparent with the costs. He suggested that a marketing campaign be done to increase the number of residents that utilize the alarm monitoring in an effort to support the police force.

Gerry Magruder, 9 Ridge Blvd, suggested using the Coastal Star to announce a start up fee of \$180/year for new alarms for the first year as a way on increasing the alarm monitoring.

Betty Bingham, 1 E Ocean, stated that in previous budgets Ocean Ridge had used the reserves to balance the budget, but historically it is not all used and only a portion of it is needed.

Public Comment was closed.

Comm. Brookes questioned a one-time 5% pay increase as it did not seem as a red flag issue. Comm. Allison stated that the Cost of Living over the last few years has been 1.5% and felt that 5% was justified. Comm. Hennigan requested a sanity check and quoted other towns rates. Mayor Pugh stated that the other towns had commercial properties and it was not a fair comparison. He reminded the Commission that there was a motion on the floor.

Motion carried – Yea 3 (Allison, Aaskov, Pugh)
Nay 2 (Brookes, Hennigan)

c. Adoption of Tentative Millage for Fiscal Year 2011-12

Comm. Allison moved that a millage of \$5.540 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation be tentatively adopted for the 2011-12 general operating revenues. Comm. Aaskov seconded the motion.

Kristine deHaseth, 29 Sabal Island Drive, asked for clarification of the \$28,000 shortfall. Mayor Pugh stated that it would come from the reserves.

Justus Brown, 39 Coconut Lane, asked what was the percentage increase to his taxes, and that it didn't matter he would pay anyway. Mayor Pugh stated that it would be a 7.41% increase to the millage rate.

Motion carried – Yea 3 (Aaskov, Allison, Pugh)
Nay 2 (Brookes, Hennigan)

d. Mayor Pugh announced that the computed millage rate is 7.41% more than the rolled back rate of \$5.1578.

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e Mayor Pugh announced that the date and time of the 2nd and final public hearing is established at 5:01 PM on Tuesday, Sept. 25, 2012. The 2012-13 operating and capital projects budgets and corresponding millages will be finalized and adopted at that time.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:30pm (Regular Town Commission Meeting immediately followed.)

Regular Town Commission Meeting started immediately following the Public Hearing at 7:30pm.

The following Commissioners were present:

Commissioner Aaskov Commissioner Brookes
Commissioner Allison Commissioner Hennigan
Mayor Pugh

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, MODIFICATIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Comm. Hennigan requested to discuss Citizen's Insurance after the Town Manager's Report. Manager Schenck requested to add Item 12b – Transfer of \$15,000 from the Contingency Account in regards to Computer, Servers, and Phone Issues.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of Special Town Commission Meeting of Aug. 6, 2012
2. Minutes of Regular Town Commission Meeting of Aug. 6, 2012

Comm. Brookes moved to approve the agenda/consent agenda as amended. Seconded by Comm. Aaskov.

Motion Carried – Yea (5).

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

3. Proclamation Declaring September as “National Sickle Cell Month”
- 3a. Proclamation Declaring September as “Hunger Action Month”

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gerry MaGruder, 9 Ridge Blvd, stated that there was a serious mosquito problem in her area. There were at least 3 unmaintained pools: 18 Ridge Blvd, 40 Hibiscus, and 28 Ixora Way. She had been to the Cleveland Clinic for bug bite treatments. Even though some of these homes had been cited, she was asking the Commission for action. Comm. Hennigan asked if the County was still spraying for mosquitoes to which she was advised only in the western areas of Palm Beach County. Manager Schenck stated that 18 Ridge Blvd had already been reported to the Health Department. He advised that staff would investigate what could be done about having the unmanaged pool conditions corrected.

Justus Brown, 39 Coconut Lane, stated that he had contacted Town Hall regarding spraying for no-seeums in the mangroves at the end of Coconut Lane. He then contacted the Health Department and asked if they could spray the mangroves at the end of Coconut Lane. He was told that they are not permitted to spray in the protected mangroves. Even though his property is being sprayed by backpack for no-seeums there still seemed to be a problem. He also asked the Town Manager if any paving was going to be done at the end of the Coconut Lane, or if the generator was going to be enclosed or surrounded by hedges. Manager Schenck stated that there would be paving and a fence would enclose the generator.

Betty Bingham, 1 E Ocean Avenue, stated that she recently had her ficus trimmed properly, and then FPL came and cut limbs back into her property and left them. She also stated that the drainage ponds at the Ocean Ave. Bridge were not working properly, when it rains Ocean Avenue floods. She asked that they have pumps installed and added that the grates were lower than the ICWW elevation. The original purpose of the drainage areas was to be grassy ponds not mangrove swamps.

Mark Becker, 88 Island Drive South, stated that the trees at 87 Island Drive South were 3-4ft overgrown. They had just recently put a blue tarp on the house also. He also reported an empty lot on Marlin Drive had dead trees that needed to be addressed. Clerk Hancsak reported that just that morning we had received a record search for 87 Island Dr South and it was due to close by the end of the month. Chief Yannuzzi announced that both properties had been cited for Code Enforcement.

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4. Legislative Update Provided by State Representative Bill Hager
Mayor Pugh acknowledged that State Representative Bill Hager was absent with notice.

REPORTS

5. Town Manager

Manager Schenck reported the following: 1) Coconut Lane Drainage – Construction is continuing on Coconut Lane and the project is behind schedule with liquidated damages of \$450/day. There has been an improvement in their work schedule but it still going slow. They still need to pull a power line from A1A to the generator; we rejected the wiring that they were going to use. He reminded the Commission that there is a \$30,000 contingency built into the project. 2) Energy Grants – County Grant: The energy upgrades are complete and final invoices have been submitted. State Grant: the residential upgrades are complete, final invoices have been submitted to Lantana. 3) FDOT Discussions - FDOT has agreed to construct a proper pedestrian crossing at Woolbright Blvd and A1A. We're still working with them to improve the retention ponds on Ocean Ave regarding the tidal influence and flooding. FDOT has responded to our request for a pedestrian crosswalk at Town Hall, and sent their requirement for the crossing. They are asking for a survey of the pedestrian count and he was suggesting it be done over a weekend during season. A handicap accessible sidewalk on the east side of A1A is needed, to connect it to the parking lot inside the park. We've submitted to FDOT a sidewalk report and CD pointing out seven dangerous tripping areas. They are currently making reports on the sidewalks and they're repairing more than the dangerous areas. 4) Bonito Drive Drainage – We took bids on the drainage improvements on Sept 5th. Nine companies picked up bid packages. It's an item to be discussed later in the meeting. 5) Inlet Cay Batter Pile Replacements. We sent out 14 pkgs to contractors for proposals, and received bids on Sept. 6th. Bridge Design is reviewing the proposals and making their recommendations. 6) PBSO Analysis – enclosed is a draft table of contents for the analysis. Once we finalize the budget and the PBA contract we'll complete the analysis.

Mayor Pugh stated that the drainage areas at the Ocean Ave Bridge were an eyesore and looked like mudholes. He suggested writing a strong letter to FDOT with photos and request improvement. Comm. Brookes asked why there was no left turn on A1A and Beachway Drive heading south. Clerk Hancsak explained that part of the agreement with FDOT to get a right hand turn lane to go over the bridge, Ocean Ridge had to give up a left hand turn. There was also a blind spot where you could not see if anyone was coming from east on Beachway.

Mayor Pugh said that in regards to FDOT requiring a pedestrian survey for a crosswalk in front of Town hall, they should be advised that during public events, Ocean Ridge uses the Boynton Beach Parking area for additional parking, thus providing a need for a designated crosswalk for pedestrians. Comm. Allison agreed. Manager Schenck explained that the crosswalk would be at the Town's Right of Way (50ft). Comm. Hennigan suggested a joint effort with Boynton Beach to create a clear pedestrian walkway to their beach. This would include the foot traffic of those coming from over the bridge also.

Comm. Allison commented that the sidewalk repairs being done by FDOT were better than nothing, but had hoped they would do a better job than last time.

Comm. Hennigan thanked Manager Scheck for the Table of Contents regarding the PBSO bid. She felt was a great start for information gathering, and she requested to add Section 11 Analysis.

Comm. Hennigan stated that the Coastal Star had an article regarding Citizen's Insurance, cancelling coverage for many homes valued at over \$1,000,000. She requested joint community action to review the issue, and asked if we could find out how many homes this affected. Manager Schenck stated that the Florida League of Cities has spoken in opposition to it, but so far has received a deaf ear. He added that he was unsure the number of homes that this affected but he would try to find out how many it would affect. Comm. Allison was also in favor of joining forces with other municipalities and advised that this was her item that she requested later in the agenda concerning a Barrier Island Task Force and a representative from the Town.

Comm. Hennigan nominated Comm. Brookes to serve as Ocean Ridge's representative on the Barrier Island Task Force. Seconded by Comm. Allison.

Motion Carried – yea (5)

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6. Town Attorney

Atty. Spillias was present and stated that he had nothing to report.

7. Police Chief

Chief Yannuzzi announced that Officer, Bruce St.Laurent (Jupiter Police) had passed away as a result of a traffic accident during a motorcade while President Obama was in town last week. He was survived by a wife and 4 children. Chief Yannuzzi requested a moment of silence in remembrance of Officer Laurent. Funeral arrangements had not been finalized yet. He presented his monthly police and fire reports and asked the Commission if they had any questions or comments.

Mayor Pugh thanked the Police Department for notifying him at 1am concerning his open garage door, and for helping him with his missing boat. Comm. Brookes stated that during his last vacation, he had placed his home on the "Dark House List" for the first time. He had returned on schedule; however he failed to notify the Police Department of his return. While he was upstairs he heard a noise, and was surprised to find an officer inside his home. The officer had discovered an open door and was investigating for a possible break-in. He thanked the police for doing their job to keep him home safe.

Chief Yannuzzi announced that the new dispatcher, Rebecca Moore (DOH 7/10/12) had resigned. He announced that he would be running an ad for a Dispatch position and Police Officer. The written exam for sergeant was still scheduled for October. Chief Yannuzzi was planning to attend the next Dispatch Certification Class to distribute applications. Chief Yannuzzi announced that 911 services would be held at Christ Fellowship Church in Lake Worth at 10am on 9/11. It was to be non-denominational service, and he invited all to attend.

8. Town Engineer

Engineer Tropepe was absent with notice.

ACTION ITEMS

9. Award of NoSeeum Spraying Contract with Clarke Mosquito Control for up to a 12 Month Period at a Maximum Cost of \$42,744 from Budgeted Funds (Deferred from 8/6/12 Meeting)

KC Sentz, Clarke Management, was present and advised that he could take care of the unmanaged pools that needed treatments. He stated that they had assisted with the West Nile Virus in Texas, and also in the panhandle area after Hurricane Isaac. They were also spraying Wellington once a week since Storm Isaac came through last month. He thanked the Commission for allowing them to service Ocean Ridge and stated that they appreciated our business. The new contract was a 3% increase, and includes spraying Pelican Cove every other week. Mayor Pugh thanked them for having their staff dress more appropriately to work in Ocean Ridge and the product seem to be working better. Mr. Sentz stated that there were spikes in the seasons for no-seeums. Mosquito control is actually larvae control, and is usually done by truck, not backpack.

There was a consensus of the Commission to get pricing for truck spraying for mosquitoes on an "as needed" basis, especially after heavy flooding. Manager Schenck reminded the Commission they we used to have truck spraying; however there had been many complaints that the spray was poisoning the town.

Comm. Hennigan motioned to Award the NoSeeum Spraying Contract with Clarke Mosquito Control for up to a 12 Month Period at a Maximum Cost of \$42,744 from Budgeted Funds. Seconded by Comm. Allison.

Motion Carried – yea (5).

10. Approval of Employee Health Insurance to Become Effective Oct. 1, 2012

Town Manager Schenck reiterated the prior discussion that this was a new insurance policy which would reduce the proposed budget by \$30,600 and lower the employee deductible from \$2,000 to \$1,500.

Comm. Hennigan motioned to approve the NHP HAS XV-7 Plan effective October 1, 2012. Seconded by Comm. Allison.

Motion Carried – yea (5).

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11. Approval of Insurance Coverage Workers Comp, General and Auto Liability, Property, Crime by Preferred Government Insurers Trust through Milton Carpenters Insurance at a Annual cost of \$99,622 Effective Oct 1, 2012.

Manager Schenck reported that 2 quotes were received and Preferred Government Insurers Trust has the lowest price. The 16% anticipated increase actually turned out as an 8% increase. This is a \$7300 savings to the proposed budget. One additional company refused to bid citing we had under 50 employees.

Comm. Brookes motioned to approve the of Insurance Coverage for Workers Comp, General and Auto Liability, Property, Crime by Preferred Government Insurers Trust through Milton Carpenters Insurance at a Annual cost of \$99,622 Effective Oct 1, 2012. Seconded by Comm. Hennigan.

Motion Carried – yea (5).

12. Appointment to the Planning & Zoning Commission

Clerk Hancsak announced an opening to the Planning & Zoning Commission. Ward Northrup has moved and resigned his position. Dr. Bajakian, a current alternate, has consistently expressed an interest in serving as a regular member. This would leave an opening for an alternate position which would be advertised in the Town Newsletter.

Comm. Allison motioned to appoint Dr. Bajakian as a regular member of the Planning and Zoning Commission. Seconded by Comm. Brookes

Comm. Hennigan asked for resumes to be provided in the future, as she was not familiar with Dr. Bajakian. Clerk Hancsak stated that he had provided a resume years ago when he was appointed as an alternate, but she would provide the Commissioners with resumes for any new applicants.

Motion Carried – yea (5).

12a. Approve Awarding the Bonito Drive Drainage/Paving Improvements to Anzco Inc. at a Cost of \$53,512 to be Funded From the Capital Projects Fund Through Monies

Manager Schenck reported that we received 7 bids for the Bonito Drive Drainage Improvements ranging from \$53,512 to \$120,236. Engenuity reviewed the bids and recommended the low bidder, Anzco Inc. Anzco recently did a good job on the improvements on 2 of our bridges. He also requested a cost plus contract with Engenuity for up to \$5000 for surveys, and up to \$10,000 for engineering, construction and inspections.

Comm. Brookes motioned to approve awarding the Bonito Drive Drainage/Paving Improvements to Anzco Inc. at a cost of \$53,512 and to fund up to \$5000 to Engenuity for surveys and up to \$10,000 for engineering, construction and inspections to be Funded from the Capital Projects Fund from the anticipated \$100,000 transfer in the upcoming budget. Seconded by Comm. Allison.

Motion Carried – yea (5).

12.b. Transfer of \$15,000 from the Contingency Account in regards to Computer, Servers, and Phone Issues.

Manager Schenck stated that there had been issues with our computers and phone systems. The repairs have been done, however; these repairs were not budgeted. We had to upgrade and split the Town Hall server from the Police Department. Manager Schenck stated there was a warranty on the equipment. Clerk Hancsak stated that there is currently a balance of \$47,000 in the Contingency Account.

Comm. Aaskov motioned to approve the transfer of \$15,000 from the Contingency Account in regards to Computer, Servers and Phone Issues. Seconded by Comm. Allison.

Motion Carried – yea (5).

RESOLUTIONS

13. Resolution No. 2012-08; Repealing Resolution No. 2012-02 and Amending the 2011/12 Budget to Include Funding for the State Energy Reduction Grant Homeowner Rebate Program and Town Hall Parking Lot Lighting

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Clerk Hancsak stated that in January 2012, Resolution No #2012-2 was approved amending the budget to include the \$112,000 for the energy rebate program. Since that program has ended a total of \$43,019 was reimbursed to the residents and an additional \$13,887 (+/-) was also approved for reimbursement for the remainder of the Town Hall parking lot lighting. Resolution No 2012-8 will repeal the original budget amendment amount and authorize a budget amendment in the amount of \$56,906. This will increase the expenditures in the Gen Government and Inspections Dept but will be offset from grant fund\ revenue received the County/State.

Comm. Allison motioned to approve Resolution No. 2012-08; Repealing Resolution No. 2012-02 and Amending the 2011/12 Budget to Include Funding for the State Energy Reduction Grant Homeowner Rebate Program and Town Hall Parking Lot. Seconded by Comm. Aaskov.

Motion Carried – yea (5).

14. Resolution No. 2012-09; Pertaining to Ocean Ridge Ethics Training
Atty. Spillias explained the Ethics Commission requires that all staff and boards take an ethics training course. Manager Schenck stated that a representative of the Ethics Board had performed a review this morning to ascertain that all staff had taken the course resulting in 4 still needing to sign off. He advised him that a policy was also on the agenda for this evening.

Comm. Brookes motioned to approve Resolution No 2012-09 pertaining to the Ocean Ridge Ethics Training. Seconded by Comm. Hennigan.

Motion Carried – yea (5)

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

15. No. 599; Amending the Code of Ordinances at Chapter 67, Buildings and Building Regulations, Article III, Technical Codes and Other Construction Standards, Section 67-32, Floor Elevations; Providing for Severability; Providing for Repeal of Ordinances in Conflict; Providing for Codification; and Providing for an Effective Date

Clerk Hancsak summarized the ordinance that would allow garages lower than the 8 foot as long as they met the FEMA guidelines. She then read the title. Atty. Spillias stated that Keri Ann Baker, representative of his firm was present to answer any questions regarding the Ordinance, as she had prepared it. She also handles all the code enforcement issues. Clerk Hancsak stated that they had checked with 2 architects and other building officials, and they had already implemented and/or agreed that FEMA would allow it. Ms. Baker stated that this was only allowed for enclosed areas of storage or parking areas.

Comm. Allison motioned to approve Ordinance No. 599 on first reading, amending the Code of Ordinances at Chapter 27, Buildings and Building Regulations, Article III, Technical Codes and Other Construction Standards, Section 67-32, Floor Elevations; Providing for Severability; Providing for Repeal of Ordinances in Conflict; Providing for Codification; and Providing for an Effective Date. Seconded by Comm. Brookes.

Motion Carried – yea (5)

TOWN COMMISSION COMMENTS

15. Discuss Barrier Island Task Force
Comm. Allison stated that they had already discussed the use of a Barrier Island Task Force. She asked to comment, she had 9 years of experience as a Commissioner. Each of the Commissioners brought a different expertise and share different concerns for the Town. They are all very concerned of many issues and work hard. She asked that they work together as a team, and be respectful of each other's opinion. They have all attended commission meetings at other municipalities and have seen what happens when Commissions don't work well together.

16. Update of Key Learnings from the Florida League Conference
Comm. Hennigan stated that she attended the Florida League Conference through a scholarship. The topic of the Conference was a Commitment of Life Long Learning. The main points were: 1) All Towns should

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have long term plans and goals. 2) Networking with other towns. There is no need to reinvent the wheel. 3) Open to new ideas – be ready for change and not live in the past. Create ways to increase revenues, and reduce expenses or services. In regards to the budget she had spoken to 12-15 other municipalities, who had no pay increases, just a 1 time lump sum pay adjustment, and they were holding the millage rates. 4) Communication with residents. Many of the residents don't understand the issues of what's going on in Ocean Ridge. Need to get more residents involved.

Comm. Hennigan also noted that there was a class for newly elected officials coming up in October. It refreshes you with new legislation.

Comm. Allison stated that she and Mayor Pugh were attending Literary Coalition luncheon, and invited the residents to participate in the Coalition.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30pm.

Attest By:

Town Clerk

Mayor Kaleel

Commissioner Allison

Commissioner Brookes

Commissioner Hennigan

Commissioner Pugh