

TOWN COMMISSION MINUTES
MARCH 7, 2016

Minutes of the Regular Town Commission Meeting of the Town of Ocean Ridge held on Monday, March 7, 2016, at 6:00 PM in the Town Hall Commission Chambers.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pugh at 6:00 p.m.

Town Clerk Stevens led the roll call, which was answered by the following:

Commissioner Aaskov	Vice Mayor Allison
Commissioner Bonfiglio	Commissioner Lucibella
Mayor Pugh	

Mayor Pugh led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, MODIFICATIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Pugh and Vice Mayor Allison noted that they would make comments during the Town Commission Items section of the agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Minutes of Special Town Commission Meeting of January 26, 2016.
2. Minutes of Town Commission Workshop of January 26, 2016.
3. Minutes of Regular Town Commission Meeting of February 1, 2016.

Town Clerk Stevens suggested the following amendment to the Town Commission Workshop meeting minutes of January 26, 2016: Strike the following words on page 5, second paragraph: "A suggested solution is to move traffic one way from Anna Street Southbound to Beachway Drive, and move vehicles from the South town limits Northbound one way to Beachway Drive, with all vehicles exiting one way Westbound onto Beachway Drive", and add the following words in its place "He stated that if we were going to look at a one-way solution, probably the only one-way solution would be to move traffic South and North one-way to Beachway Drive and then out, with an island there."

Commissioner Bonfiglio moved to approve the Agenda and Consent Agenda as amended; seconded by Vice Mayor Allison. Motion Carried 5-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Pugh read the announcements for the public:

4. 2016 Municipal Election/Eleccion Municipal 2016
 - a. Proclamation for Election Held on March 15, 2016/Proclamacion para eleccion sostenida el 15 de marzo de 2016
 - b. One Commission Seat Open for a Three Year Term/Comision uno puesto para tres anos cada
 - c. Qualified Candidates are Lynn Allison and Steve Coz/Candidatos calificados son Lynn Allison y Steve Coz

PUBLIC COMMENT

Peter McMullen, Turtle Beach, reported that some of the election signs that they had placed on their property have disappeared. Chief Hutchins noted that he is working with the candidates together to address issues regarding placement, removal and location of signs according to statute. He also mentioned that some signs had been moved by the Police Department because they were placed in inappropriate locations.

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He stated that he will follow up on the report of missing signs because removing signs is a criminal matter, but mentioned that it will be difficult to determine who took the signs due to the location.

Terry Brown, Harbour Drive South, stated he submitted a public records request to the Town Manager, and was told that what he asked for does not exist. He noted that changes in the statute regarding public records requires that we clearly identify who the records custodian is for the Town. Mr. Brown also mentioned that he thinks it is a wonderful thing that the Town Manager has been meeting with the City Manager of Boynton Beach. In the past, the two municipalities have had an adversarial relationship. There are contracts coming up for renewal such as fire and water service, and a good working relationship could have some effect on charges. Lastly, Mr. Brown referenced the January 26th special meeting minutes and stated he was verbally attacked by Commissioner Lucibella when he spoke about how public funds were being used, and he does not appreciate it. Commissioner Lucibella responded that the Town Attorney told Mr. Brown that he was incorrect (in his statement regarding the use of public funds for a retirement party). He stated that according to Home Rule authority, the Town Commission had a right to use public funds for a retirement party for retiring Town Clerk Karen Hancsak. Commissioner Lucibella stated he had every right to call Mr. Brown's actions mean spirited.

Kristine DeHaseth, 29 Sabal Island Drive, mentioned that it is difficult to find a parking space at Town Hall on meeting nights. She noted that nine parking spots are filled with junk, trailers, and ATV's, and asked if those spaces could be cleared before a Town Commission meeting.

Bob Weisblut, Sailfish Ln, stated that he would like to see the Town install dog waste collection dispensers along Old Ocean Blvd.

Nancy Hogan, 37 Hibiscus Way, reported again that she is worried about motorists not being able to see her street when taking a left hand turn in the dark due to the street closure. She also reported that a sewer truck recently blocked off the only access to her home, and noted that she called Town Hall to report the incident. Within the next hour, two vehicles came through and almost collided with other vehicles. She stated that the road closure near Ridge Blvd is not working, and she is afraid someone will get hurt.

Andreas Papatheodorou, 18 Sailfish Ln, noted that an editorial in the Coastal Star mentions that the Town Commission may run into legal problems similar to those that happened in Boca Raton. He mentioned that it is not in the Town's best interest, and hopes the Commission can respond to that. He also noted that all four Town Commissioners have displayed election signs against the incumbent. He stated his question is about objectivity of the Commission regarding elections. He does not know the rules, but would like the Commission to explain why they have signs for one candidate and not the other.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

5. An application submitted by, Everlast Realty LLC, a Massachusetts Limited Liability Co., and John Lauring, Mark Lauring, James Lauring, and Mayanne Seibold, as Successors Co-Trustees of the Sunshine Estate Trust, 23 Brigham Rd., Worcester MA 01609 and 94 Island Drive So., Ocean Ridge FL 33435, requesting a Public Hearing regarding the provisions of the Land Development Code at Chapter 64; Zoning, Article 5; Subdivisions; Sections 64-100 through 64-105 pertaining to replatting requirements. The applicants are requesting to replat 3 single family lots into 3 new reconfigured single family lots. All 3 lots will meet the zoning requirements for the RSF – Residential Single Family District. The 3 properties are comprised of (a) Lot 92 and a portion of Lot 93 and (b) the remaining portion of Lot 93 and Lot 94 in the McCormick Mile Add No 1 Subdivision or 92-94 Island Drive South (exact legal description located at Town Hall). The request will also require a Release of Unity of Title and Release of a Recorded Easement/s. (Continued from the November 2, 2015 Regular Meeting, the December 7, 2015 Regular Meeting, and the January 4, 2016 Regular Meeting)

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Town Clerk Stevens read the public hearing notice into the record. Town Attorney Spillias swore in all those in attendance that wished to speak on the matter.

James Ballerano, 1201 George Bush Blvd, Delray Beach, Counsel for the petitioner spoke to the Commission and noted that he was here to follow up on the Planning & Zoning Board's recommendation for approval on the replatting of three existing residential lots into three re-configured residential lots. He mentioned that the Town Commission was given an updated narrative that incorporates staff comments, and stated he is here to answer any questions that the Commission may have.

Attorney Spillias stated that there were a number of technical issues regarding easements, relocation of easements, and a variance from the health department that took time to work through. A lot of time was put into this by the Town Manager, Town Attorney, and Town Engineer to make sure the engineering, easements and health and welfare issues were dealt with. When dealing with platting, if they meet all of the platting requirements, it is generally ministerial, and there is an obligation on the Town's part to grant it. The staff's position is that they do meet the requirements. This does involve the unity of release of title. There are nine conditions that they would have to meet even after the re-plat is filed before we would release unity of title. The Town Engineer would review each of the requests and determine at that point that they have met the unity of title, and then unity of title can be released. This is a document that the Mayor would need to sign.

Public Comment: Terry Brown, Harbour Drive South, stated that we should have the maps on display for the public to see where the old lots were and where the new lots are going to be. Mr. Brown also asked about the location of the septic tanks. Mr. Ballerano responded that they do have placards on hand and could set them up if desired. He also mentioned that the septic tanks would be in accordance to code. He noted that a drainage plan and a septic plan was submitted as a preliminary, and would be based on what improvements would look like on the third lot, and will all be in accordance with the code.

Commissioner Lucibella asked about a wastewater treatment plan that he has seen in the documentation and asked how it fits into the whole plan. Joe Pike, the Engineer on the job, stated there is no wastewater treatment plan. He stated there would be individual septic systems. The current two lots have septic systems, and the third lot will have a septic design that will have Health Department approval.

Commissioner Bonfiglio moved to approve the replat as set forth in the March 7, 2016 agenda memo item #5, contingent on Town Engineer approval for the unity of title and relocation of encroachments on Lot 93 to Lot 94; seconded by Vice-Mayor Allison.

Motion carried 5-0.

6. An application submitted by Randall Stofft Architects, 42 N. Swinton Ave Suite 1, Delray Beach, FL 33444, representing the owner, John Zessin, 6029 Old Ocean Blvd, Ocean Ridge, FL 33435, requesting a Land Development Permit from the provisions of the Land Development Code, Article 2; COASTAL CONSTRUCTION, Section 67-17; Coastal Construction and Excavation Setback Line; Sub-Paragraph (a); Setback Line Established; and Sub-Paragraph (h) Existing Structures to permit the construction of a one story addition of a 1-car garage (13' 8" x 20' 0") and a living room (14' x 19'), the garage floor to be at 19.0 NGVD with the living room floor at 22.0 NGVD to match the rest of the existing 2-story house. The addition is to be at a maximum of 137'-10 1/2" east of the Coastal Construction Control Line (CCCL) of 1997, and the addition of a swimming pool (17' 6" x 33' 0") that is to be at a maximum of 158' 1 3/4" east of the 1997 CCCL. Property located at 6029 Old Ocean Blvd, or legally described as Lot 8 and the south half of Lot 7, Block 4, of amended plat of part of Boynton's Subdivision.

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Town Clerk Stevens read the public hearing notice into the record. Town Attorney Spillias swore in all those in attendance who wished to speak on the matter, as this is a quasi-judicial hearing.

Attorney Spillias stated that on the general data that was presented to the Town in connection with this request referenced the existing zoning as RSF. However, the zoning is actually RSE. For the purposes of what they are coming here for, the scrivener's error is not substantial, as this is single family either way. Since this is a CCCL issue, it is still subject to meeting all of the zoning requirements.

Randall Stofft of Randall Stofft Architects, 42 North Swinton Ave, Delray Beach spoke to the Commission and noted there are significant driveway, traffic, and parking issues on the street, so they have introduced in the one-story addition a large one-car garage that meets all of the setbacks, criteria and ratios. He noted that if they could get the old setback of 10 feet, they could have a two-car garage. He noted that the pool was already permitted, but the permit lapsed. He mentioned that the pool did not change. They will be doing a one-story addition, and also cleaning up some of the façade.

Public comment: Terry Brown, Harbour Drive South, stated the additional structure would change the character of the street. He noted that the current garage encroaches on the setback now, and extends beyond the line of the property and wall. He asked if there are any legalities to look at regarding that issue. Attorney Spillias responded that currently they are asking for CCCL approval. If approved by the Commission, then the application is sent to DEP, and then the application would come back to us. At that point, the Zoning Official will look to see if it is in compliance or not. If there were code violations, they would need either to change their plans or seek a variance. Mr. Stofft explained that the existing guest house has a garage but they are not touching that structure, and they cannot make that more nonconforming. It can stay as it is. The new structure conforms completely.

Commissioner Lucibella moved to grant the request for Land Development Permit for construction east of the Coastal Construction Control Line contingent on DEP approval and on verification that it meets all Zoning regulations; seconded by Vice Mayor Allison.

Motion carried 5-0.

7. An application submitted by Marc T. Pulte of Marc Timothy, Inc., 41 SE 5th St, Boca Raton, FL 33432, representing the owner, Donna M. Sotillo, Trustee, Ocean Ridge 6161 N. Ocean LLC, 6605 South Dixie Hwy Suite 200, West Palm Beach, FL 33405, requesting a Land Development Permit from the provisions of the Land Development Code, Article 2; COASTAL CONSTRUCTION, Section 67-17; Coastal Construction and Excavation Setback Line; Sub-Paragraph (a); Setback Line Established; and Sub-Paragraph (h) Existing Structures to permit the construction of a new two story residence with a four car garage with the furthest extension of the structure at 173' 10" (+/-) east of the Coastal Construction Control Line (CCCL), the pool, deck and spa will extend a maximum of 186' 7" (+/-) east of the CCCL, and also repairing the existing dune crossover. The house finished floor slab elevation will be 19.5' NAVD that is slightly lower than the structure demolished in 2013). Property located at 6161 North Ocean Blvd, or legally described as Lot 3, 4, and 5, Block 3, and Lots 3, 4, and 5, Block 10, of the amended plat of blocks 3, 4, 5, and 6 of Boynton's Subdivision.

Town Clerk Stevens read the public hearing notice into the record. Attorney Spillias asked the Commission to report any ex-parte communications on the matter, and there were none. Attorney Spillias swore in all those in attendance who wished to speak on the matter.

A representative from Affiniti Architects, 6100 Broken Sound Parkway, Boca Raton, FL spoke to the Commission, and thanked the Town staff in communicating and reviewing the project. He noted they are

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proposing a two-story structure that meets all of the guidelines. He noted that all of the setbacks meet the requirements, and lot coverage meets the limits.

The Mayor called for public comment, and there was none.

Commissioner Bonfiglio moved to approve the applicant's request for 6161 North Ocean Boulevard as set forth in the March 7, 2016 agenda memo item #7 contingent on DEP approval and meeting all of the Zoning and Building requirements on actual building permit submittal and review; seconded by Commissioner Lucibella.

Motion carried 5-0.

REGULAR AGENDA

REPORTS

8. Town Manager

Town Manager Titcomb submitted a written report in the meeting package, and reported on the following:

Manager Titcomb has begun to reach out more vigorously to other adjacent governments and related agencies. He met with the City Manager of Boynton Beach on February 23rd for a one-on-one discussion lunch meeting and they vowed to meet regularly to improve communications and get heads up on important matters of joint concern. He noted that he also actively participates in League of Cities, local City Managers Association, regional county commission/local official briefings and other intergovernmental organizations to keep abreast of current trends, pending legislation, communal issues and local actions impacting the Town.

He mentioned that Administration Department heads met February 24th with the Town Auditor to discuss internal process, changes and future practices. In the era of new talent in many key town roles, we are striving toward evolving best practices to all the systems in the Town to work more efficiently while maintaining compliancy standards.

Manager Titcomb noted that we started a new intern through a program of FAU, giving the Town a few hours a week of "free" back-office records and organization assistance in return for course credit. Our current intern, Kathy Brana is doing a great job. Ms. Brana hit the ground running on our records management project and we are elated to have her extra efforts.

He reported that public records requests are up exponentially in the Town. The amount of staff time and resources required to fulfill these requests is impacting the Town's day to day operations and efficiencies. He stated he would report during budget development cycles on recommendations for appropriate staffing and record archival systems to bring the Town into modern management practices. We need to invest in this capability for the town to get more efficient mechanisms and compliancy in regards to management for Public Records requirements as well as the better flow of critical information within daily Town operations to assist the public. On that note, he asked for permission to have a Records Management Day either March 25th or April 1st, where we will close Town Hall so staff can migrate and manage records archives.

Commissioner Bonfiglio stated he would like to see the town electronically scan documents so that we do not have to spend time searching through paper records when filling requests. He would like the Manager to begin gathering quotes for this, and stated it may cost a lot up front, but will save money in the long run for archive document retrieval. Commissioner Lucibella agreed. Manager Titcomb stated he will bring this back as a formal proposal in a few months. We will need to RFP that service as the threshold will be above his authority, and we will need legislative action. He mentioned that the Town Engineers are already

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scanning documents, and that we may want to make it a policy of the Town to require that all building permits and plans are submitted electronically. Commissioner Bonfiglio asked if we would need an amendment to the Town Code if we are going to require plans to be submitted electronically, and Manager Titcomb responded that we would. Commissioner Bonfiglio suggested that the new Town Attorney work on drafting an ordinance to require that plans are submitted to the Town in paper and electronic format. Commissioner Bonfiglio asked if we have the computer archival storage capacity to handle this. Manager Titcomb stated he does not believe we currently have the storage capacity. We would need to purchase the software and also the storage capacity. Commissioner Lucibella noted he is concerned about people submitting documents in different formats such as CAD, PDF, TIF, etc. He does not know if it is feasible to require all plans be submitted in PDF format. Mayor Pugh suggested that Town Manager Titcomb gather the information and bring a proposal back to the Commission. Vice Mayor Allison noted that we will need to begin destroying documents that are ready for destruction according to the state records retention schedules. It was the consensus of the Commission to close Town Hall on March 25th for Records Management Day, and to notify the public.

Commissioner Lucibella noted that he had breakfast with Jerry Taylor, the Mayor of Boynton Beach last week and mentioned that it was a very cordial meeting. They talked about opening communications as much as possible and seeing which areas we can work on together. Mayor Taylor indicated to Commissioner Lucibella that he has no problems with Ocean Ridge, but mentioned that they would like to expand the line of food they can serve at the Oceanfront Park. Commissioner Lucibella stated his major concern is Riverwalk, and explained that properties such as the Yacht Club, Colonial Ridge and Crown Colony will lose their sunset views due to the ten-story building construction. He noted that he knows we can't block it, but we do have some real concerns. Mayor Taylor made it clear to Commissioner Lucibella that the project is not a done deal; they are a long way off. Staff has around 130 questions to review, and Boynton is very tough and bureaucratic. They would also require a zoning change to build over seven stories. Commissioner Lucibella also shared the Town's concern regarding traffic, and Mayor Taylor told Commissioner Lucibella that the traffic study indicates less traffic than if it were commercial. Commissioner Lucibella stated he believes if we are going to have a voice in the project, it will be through the traffic study. He suggested to the Town Manager that we get a copy of the traffic study, and stated it may be in our best interest to pay to have our own traffic study. He suggested getting together with Briny Breezes to expand the traffic study, as Boynton Beach is not going to expand the study. It is his understanding that the only traffic study they have was done by the developers. Vice Mayor Allison mentioned working with Kristine DeHaseth and the Boynton Coalition for Responsible Development which has around 3,400 members working against the ten-story building. At the coalition meeting, we had an opportunity to hear from the developer, and heard that the comp plan is in the initial stages. At the meeting, the developers stated that there would be no traffic impact on Ocean Ridge. Vice Mayor Allison noted that a ten-story building will have adverse effects on both sides of the intercoastal.

9. Town Attorney

Town Attorney Spillias updated the Commission on pending litigation matters: 1) Regarding the Inspector General appeal, the Attorney for the municipalities has asked for a 60 day extension to file a reply brief to the County's brief. The brief will be filed by the end of this month. 2) Regarding a complaint filed by Waterfront ICW Properties vs. Spanish Creek LLC, the DEP, the Town and Wellington Arms in regards to the demand for a statutory easement along the west portion of the Town's property, the Plaintiff Waterfront ICW Properties (Bill Swaim) has been before the Commission several times. Attorney Spillias stated he believes Spanish Creek LLC, is the corporate name for Dr. Eder. He indicated that a shade meeting is premature at this time. We are still at the early stages, and we have not filed a response yet. Our insurer, PGIT, has assigned Attorney Lyman Reynolds who has represented the Town in the past very successfully. Our response is due in two days, and the initial response may be a motion to dismiss. If it is dismissed, there would be no case until it is refiled, so there is no action needed yet by the Commission. The new Attorney will be giving the Commission a monthly report.

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Attorney Spillias spoke about his retirement and noted that from his perspective, working for the Town has been an absolute pleasure. He noted that a lot of systematic changes need to be made and small towns tend to resist that, but he recognizes that the citizens here are nice to each other, and we have a great group of people comprised of citizens, the Commission and Staff. He stated it has not only been his pleasure, but his privilege to serve the Town of Ocean Ridge. Mayor Pugh followed up with the presentation of a small retirement gift, recognizing Attorney Spillias for his years of service to the Town of Ocean Ridge.

10. Police Chief

Chief Hutchins advised that his report was included in the Commission packages. He also mentioned the recent crime trend of auto burglaries, and noted that the common threat is that vehicles continue to be left open, and generally the keys are left inside. He asked for help from citizens to stop leaving vehicles unlocked. As part of the investigations, we have clearly identified three individuals that have been a part of our auto thefts, who are linked to four or five other communities, as well as around 20 other individuals that are clearly linked. We are seeking arrest warrants for those individuals. Chief Hutchins noted that it only takes around two minutes for individuals to commit these crimes, and it is going on all over the County. Chief Hutchins also mentioned that we had a recent armed robbery involving the theft of hover boards. The Investigator and Police Officer assigned to the case have identified the suspects who are now in custody, and will issue a warrant for arrest tomorrow. We have been working with Boca Raton to clear their case as well, as the same individuals are linked to a crime there. Vice Mayor Allison mentioned that the "Coffee With A Cop" event is a wonderful opportunity to speak with our Police Officers, and stated she hopes it will be well attended next time.

ACTION ITEMS

11. Police Department Restructuring By: Hal Hutchins, Police Chief

Police Chief Hutchins explained that he has taken the opportunity to look at the structure of the Police Department to see what is best for the Town. He noted that part of his job is to provide opportunity and motivation to our employees which pays huge dividends to the Town. Based upon that, he asked the Commission for permission to create the position of Administrative Lieutenant, to promote an Officer to the open Sergeant's position, and to continue with the Investigator's position. He stated the reason he is coming to the Commission now is due to the budget constraints. At this time, the Police Department is fully staffed. We do have some revenue available to make this happen at minimal cost to the Town based on vacancies, retirements, attrition, future plans, and succession planning.

Commissioner Lucibella stated he's happy with the current transformation of the Police Department, and thanked the Chief. Chief Hutchins responded that the credit is due to the Officers. Commissioner Lucibella noted that leadership deserves credit as well.

Commissioner Bonfiglio moved to create the position of Administrative Lieutenant within the agency, approve the promotion of one Officer to fill the vacant Sergeant's position, fill the position of Investigator, and change the allocation of \$7,383 to effect these changes within the Police force; seconded by Vice Mayor Allison.

Motion carried 5-0.

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12. Proposal for Police Radio P25 Upgrade By: Hal Hutchins, Police Chief

Chief Hutchins explained that the time has come to consider phase 1 of the P25 radio upgrade project. Phase 1 includes the initial purchase of seven mobile radios, two dispatch consoles and the first 10 portable hand-held radios, which will be followed by a request during our next budget year to purchase the remainder of the portable radios. The cost for phase 1 is projected at \$83,000. The cost for phase 2 is projected at approximately \$71,000 without programming costs. He stated he believes the project will come in under budget. This project is required due to the age of our radios and the fact that we are a subscriber to the Palm Beach County radio system, as well as federal mandates for inoperability and narrow banding of radio frequencies. Palm Beach County has done a lengthy RFQ process to determine that Motorola is the vendor of choice for requirements as well as cost. They are a sole source vendor in this project, and we continue our relationship with Palm Beach County which has given us excellent service for the past 12 years, and it would be a seamless transition for the Officers. We are able to leverage the County radio system and do not have to provide radio towers, and they provide a lot of repairs for us because we are a subscriber. Chief Hutchins stated he is asking for \$83,000 to move forward with phase 1. Motorola has offered a trade in value for our old radios so we may be able to get some funds back. Boynton Beach recently signed with Motorola which will give us better operability between the Police and Fire Departments.

Commissioner Lucibella asked if the current equipment is interoperable with Palm Beach County, and Chief Hutchins responded that it is. Commissioner Lucibella asked if the current equipment is interoperable with Boynton Beach, and Chief Hutchins responded that it is in a limited capacity. Commissioner Lucibella noted that it isn't a technological change, the fact is our hardware is worn out and we are on old revisions. Commissioner Lucibella asked if we still have a trunked system, and Chief Hutchins responded that it is, and that years ago we changed to a computer managed trunking system that allows them to use less frequencies that switches between 10 frequencies instead of 100. Commissioner Lucibella asked where the trunking system is housed, and Chief Hutchins responded that Palm Beach County houses it in various places throughout South Florida to expand the network. Commissioner Lucibella stated that trunking systems can get overloaded or go down during a major event, and asked if we have anything in place where our Officers will be able to communicate if someone pulls the plug on the system. Chief Hutchins responded that we have a direct line of sight communication with this system when the main trunking system fails. He also stated that the benefit of being on the Palm Beach County system is that it is interoperable with state and local systems, which should not all go down at same time. He reported that we have had failures before, but never a complete failure all at once. Commissioner Lucibella asked if we have an antenna and repeater on top of this building, and Chief Hutchins reported that there is an antenna on the tower behind the building that allows us to have a greater line of sight; it is not a repeater. Commissioner Lucibella suggested looking into purchasing a repeater, and Chief Hutchins stated he would look into it.

Commissioner Lucibella moved to approve the request for the Police Radio P25 Upgrade Phase 1 not to exceed \$86,000; seconded by Commissioner Bonfiglio.

Motion carried 5-0.

13. Community Champions Contract Renewal By: Jamie Titcomb, Town Manager

Town Manager Titcomb explained that we have had a contract for several years with Community Champions who registers and enforces management of foreclosures in the Town, and they provide a small revenue stream. The contract expired in November, and we are asking to extend the existing contract. The revenues were much higher during the recession and have dwindled down, but the service is still valuable to monitor for compliance.

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Commissioner Bonfiglio asked about the contract term, and Town Manager Titcomb responded that the contract will expire in one year.

Commissioner Bonfiglio moved to extend the Community Champions contract not to exceed November 2017 as set forth in the March 7, 2016 Agenda Memo Item #13; seconded by Vice Mayor Allison.

Motion carried 5-0.

14. Authorization to Expend Funds for Water Main Break By: Jamie Titcomb, Town Manager

Town Manager Titcomb explained that a small tornado touched down and hit a utility pole, which broke a water main when being replaced, which then produced flooding near Sabal Island. Boynton Beach provides water services to us, and they dispatch emergency repairs. We received an invoice from LineTec for repairs to the water main in the amount of \$10,394.35 which exceeds the threshold for Town Manager approval for paying it. Manager Titcomb noted that we will also see if we can get it reimbursed through our insurance provider.

Commissioner Bonfiglio suggested that we look to FPL to pay the bill since they caused the problem with the pole that broke the water main. He suggested submitting the bill to FPL as well as the insurance carrier.

Commissioner Bonfiglio moved to authorize the Town Manager to pay the LineTec invoice in the amount of \$10,394.35; seconded by Vice Mayor Allison.

Motion carried 5-0.

RESOLUTIONS

None Scheduled.

FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

None Scheduled.

SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

None Scheduled.

TOWN COMMISSION ITEMS

Vice Mayor Allison noted that at the last Town Commission meeting, the Commission approved the expenditure to co-sponsor the Palm Beach County League of Cities meeting, and she was pleased to attend the meeting and represent the Town. The Town Attorney, Town Clerk, Town Manager, and Police Chief were also in attendance at the meeting. She noted that there are issues at these meetings that we need to pay attention to such as the sales tax. Vice Mayor Allison also mentioned that we are being proactive to the extent that we can be with the Riverwalk project in Boynton Beach, and thanked Kristine DeHaseth for her work on the Town's behalf. She also noted that we have an election next week. She stated it is so nice to see that people come to the Town Commission meetings. The participation has been excellent, and she encouraged people to vote next Tuesday.

Mayor Pugh thanked Nancy Flinn and Town staff for the excellent art exhibition at Town Hall. He also mentioned that he wanted to place a rebuttal to the editorial in the Coastal Star regarding the election because he found it to be personally insulting to the Town and himself. He stated he would like to address

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the items: 1) In the article, the Town Commission was accused of trying to get a 5-0 vote, and Mayor Pugh responded that the Commission members do not plan and plot, and do not violate the Sunshine Law; 2) The article stated that the Town Commission should start listening to people's opinions, and Mayor Pugh responded that the public comment section of the Town Commission meetings are better now than ever, and the workshop regarding Old Ocean Boulevard is an example of how the Commission listens to the public and is open and transparent. At the workshop, it was abundantly apparent that no one wanted major changes, and currently there are no plans to change anything except items that residents suggested such as signage, speed bumps, etc. We need to kill the rumor that things will change on Old Ocean Boulevard. Mayor Pugh stated that even though he is the Mayor, he is still a citizen of Ocean Ridge, and can choose whoever he wants to vote for. In closing, he thanked Attorney Spillias for being a mentor to him over the years.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Mayor Pugh

ATTEST:

Tracey L. Stevens, CMC, Town Clerk