

**TOWN OF SEWALL'S POINT  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
JUNE 8, 2010**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - MAYOR KLINGENSMITH CALLED THE EXECUTIVE SESSION TO ORDER AT 6:00 P.M. ATTORNEY TORCIVIA SAID THE EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS PRIVATE, AND IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE SESSION WILL BE THE PUBLIC WORKSHOP AT 7:00 P.M.

**PUBLIC MEETING**

**PRESENT:** MAYOR KLINGENSMITH, VICE MAYOR THURLOW-LIPPISCH, CMSRS. BAUSCH, BUSHA AND SCHOPPE, AND TOWN MANAGER KELLOGG AND ATTORNEY TORCIVIA

**ABSENT:** CHIEF CERNIGLIA AND BUILDING OFFICIAL ADAMS

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - MAYOR KLINGENSMITH CALLED THE WORKSHOP TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M. AND ASKED IF THERE WERE ANY CHANGES TO THE AGENDA. HEARING NONE, A MOTION WAS MADE BY CMSR. SCHOPPE, SECONDED BY CMSR. BAUSCH TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. ALL IN FAVOR. (5-0)

**IN FAVOR:** BAUSCH, BUSHA, SCHOPPE, THURLOW-LIPPISCH, AND KLINGENSMITH

**OPPOSED:** NONE

2. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON TOPICS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

- ELLA FORD HAD A QUESTION AND MADE A SUGGESTION: 1.) THERE IS A 'HOLE' ROAD DOWN BY WHERE THE SIDEWALKS ARE AND WANTED TO KNOW IT HASN'T BEEN REPAIRED. TOWN MANAGER KELLOGG SAID AT&T IS MAKING REPAIRS TO THEIR SYSTEM AND WILL REPAIR THE ROAD AS WELL. 2.) SHE SUGGESTED THAT IN THE FUTURE, PRESENTATIONS BE LIMITED IN THE AMOUNT OF TIME GIVEN AS AT THE LAST MEETING, PRESENTATIONS WENT ON FOR ABOUT AN HOUR AND ONE-HALF.

3. **OLD BUSINESS:** NONE

4. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- A. **DISCUSSION OF REGIONAL TRANSIT ORGANIZATION INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT** - DIRECTOR BETH BELTRAN GAVE A LENGTHY PRESENTATION/UPDATE ON THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR THE TREASURE COAST RTO. SHE SAID THE PLAN RECOMMENDED THE FORMATION OF A REGIONAL TRANSIT ORGANIZATION, AND THE PURPOSE OF THE RTO WAS TO ADDRESS PUBLIC TRANSIT ISSUES IN MARTIN COUNTY (AND ST. LUCIE). SHE ALSO NOTED THE TOWN WOULD HAVE AN ELECTED OFFICIAL SIT ON THE BOARD, APPOINTED BY THE COMMISSION. SOME OF THE REASONS FOR THE TRO INCLUDE:

- DEVELOP A STRATEGY FOR THE TRANSITION TO AND CREATION OF AN RTA
- PROVIDE IMPROVED SERVICES AND PUBLIC TRANSIT INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC
- REVIEW FUNDING CONSTRAINTS AND OPPORTUNITIES, AND PROVIDE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR FUNDING

TO NAME A FEW. DON DONALDSON FROM THE COUNTY WAS ALSO PRESENT. RESIDENT GLEICHMANN SAID, "THERE WAS A LOT OF CONFUSION OR LACK OF UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT THIS IS ALL ABOUT ..." AND QUESTIONED HOW THE TOWN COULD SIGN ON AS THIS IS THE FIRST LOOK. THE TOWN DID NOT SIGN ON SAID CMSR. BAUSCH, AND THIS WOULD HAVE TO BE PUT ON THE AGENDA. (DRAFT AGREEMENT AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK FOR VIEWING.)

- B. **PRESENTATION REGARDING FEDERAL SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE** - MICHAEL BUSHA, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE TCRPC, GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE HUD SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE, THE COLLABORATION BEING MADE BY FEDERAL AGENCIES, AND THE CREATION OF SUPER REGIONS AND THE OPPORTUNITIES ASSOCIATED WITH [SUPER REGIONS]. A LENGTHY QUESTION AND ANSWER PERIOD FOLLOWED. CONCLUDING, MR. BUSHA SAID A LETTER OF SUPPORT NEEDED TO BE FILED WITH HUD BY JULY/AUGUST.

- C. **DISCUSSION OF MODEL FERTILIZER ORDINANCE** - CMSR. BAUSCH BEGAN DISCUSSION BY SUGGESTING RESIDENTS NOT FERTILIZE DURING THE RAINY SEASON. HE SAID THE ORDINANCE BEING DISCUSSED WAS A "MODEL" FOR THE TOWN'S REVIEW AND COMMENT. AT THAT TIME, VICE MAYOR THURLOW-LIPPISCH SAID LOCAL AUTHORITIES ARE BEING ENCOURAGED TO COME UP WITH OUR OWN ORDINANCE, AND THAT "...WE SHOULD BE DOING SOMETHING FOR OUR RIVER." SHE WENT ON TO SAY THE RUN-OFF THAT GOES INTO THE RIVER IS A DETRIMENT AND THAT PEOPLE APPLYING FERTILIZER SHOULD BE FOLLOWING 'BEST PRACTICE.' A LENGTHY DISCUSSION ENSUED AND IT WAS DETERMINED THAT EDUCATION CONTINUES TO BE THE BEST WAY TO INFORM RESIDENTS. THIS COULD BE DONE VIA THE TOWN'S NEWSLETTER. AFTER FURTHER DISCUSSION, CMSR. SCHOPPE SUGGESTED PUTTING THIS ON THE AGENDA AND SENDING OUT A FLYER TO RESIDENTS. RESIDENT ELLA FORD SAID IF IT CANNOT BE ENFORCED, IT IS A WASTE OF TIME; AWARENESS IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING.

- D. **DISCUSSION OF FDOT LANDSCAPING OF A1A** - CMSR. BAUSCH SAID THE RESURFACING OF THE ROAD WAS WITHIN THE NORMAL CYCLE, PER FDOT. HANDOUTS WERE GIVEN TO ASSIST IN EXPLAINING THE PROPOSAL, WHICH IS TO START AT THE BASE OF THE EVANS CRARY BRIDGE. FDOT WILL INCLUDE A BIKE LANE ON BOTH NORTH/SOUTH SIDES OF A1A AND WILL BE 4' WIDE, TRAVEL LANES WILL BE 11' WIDE, HE SAID. CONVERSATION AROUND COSTS TO THE TOWN AND THE POSSIBLE RELEASE OF ANY RETURNED PROJECT

MONIES WAS DISCUSSED, ALONG WITH THE SUGGESTION BY CMSR. BUSH TO HAVE A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER PREPARE A REPORT AS TO WHAT COULD BE DONE, RATHER THAN THE TOWN MANAGER AND/OR CMSR. BAUSCH WHOSE EXPERTISE SHE QUESTIONED. SHE WENT ON TO SAY MPO WORKS FOR THE TOWN AND THE TOWN SHOULD BE TELLING THEM WHAT IT WANTS.

- E. DISCUSSION OF REPAIRS TO PLAYGROUND - A PROPOSAL WAS RECEIVED FOR THE REPAIRS TO THE PLAYGROUND STRUCTURE FROM BAYVIEW CONSTRUCTION, SAID TOWN MANAGER KELLOGG. HE WENT ON TO SAY THE ORIGINAL COMPANY SENT THE NUTS AND BOLTS ALONG WITH THE LUMBER TO REPLACE THE FRACTURED PIECES OF WOOD. BAYVIEW ANTICIPATES COMPLETING THE WORK WITHIN TWO WEEKS OF

APPROVAL AND ASKED THE COMMISSION TO SUPPORT THIS REQUEST. CONVERSATION CONTINUED AROUND WARRANTY ISSUES, COSTS AND WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM, AND TIMELINE. IT WAS DECIDED TO PLACE ON THE NEXT AGENDA.

- F. REVIEW OF PRELIMINARY 2010-2011 BUDGET - IN PREPARATION FOR THE BUDGET, TOWN MANAGER KELLOGG SAID THEY WILL BE ABLE TO REDUCE THE MILLAGE FROM 2.230 TO APPROXIMATELY A MILLAGE RATE OF 2.180. THIS WOULD REDUCE THE BUDGET BY APPROXIMATELY \$50,000, HE SAID, AND EXPENSES WOULD REMAIN THE SAME EXCEPT FOR THE INCREASE IN FIRE RESCUE COSTS OF \$140,000, WHEN THE CITY OF STUART BEGINS PROVIDING SERVICE ON OCTOBER 1. CMSR. BUSH SAID THERE SHOULD BE CONVERSATIONS REGARDING RAISES (SALARY), CUTS, DAYS OFF, AND FOR THE RECORD SHE IS OPPOSED TO ANY STAFF RAISES. SHE WENT ON TO QUESTION SICK LEAVE/HEALTH CARE REIMBURSEMENT, AND SAID SHE WOULD LIKE ALL THIS DISCUSSED AT THE NEXT MEETING. TOWN MANAGER KELLOGG ASKED TO HAVE THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT'S CLERK RETURNED TO AT LEAST 25 HOURS PER WEEK. CMSR. BUSH ASKED WHAT WAS "WHITE HEAT?" RESPONDING, TOWN MANAGER KELLOGG NOTED THAT THE TOWN HAD CHANGED THEIR SOFTWARE SYSTEM FROM DATAPRO TO QUICKBOOKS AND LEARNED THAT WHITE HEAT WAS A CONSULTANT WITH MANY YEARS OF FINANCIAL EXPERIENCE AND WAS ALSO QUICKBOOKS CERTIFIED AND COULD TEACH STAFF THE SOFTWARE. AT THE SAME TIME, HE SAID, AUDITORS HAD RECOMMENDED WE HAVE A 'SEPARATION OF DUTIES' TO WHICH HE HAD WHITE HEAT PERFORM BANK RECONCILIATIONS, ETC. CMSR. THURLOW-LIPPISCH REAFFIRMED THE AUDITOR RECOMMENDATION. CONVERSATION CONTINUED WITH QUESTIONS BY THE COMMISSION AND RESPONSES GIVEN. A YEAR-TO-DATE ACCOUNTING WILL BE GIVEN TO THE COMMISSION BY TOWN MANAGER KELLOGG.

**5. TOWN MANAGER'S COMMENTS**

- THERE WILL BE A BLOOD DRIVE AT THE TOWN COMMONS ON FRIDAY, JUNE 11<sup>TH</sup> FROM 10 A.M. TO 2 P.M.
- REP. FEDERMAN WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE AT THE JUNE 22<sup>ND</sup> MEETING TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON WHAT IS HAPPENING IN TALLAHASSEE.
- ASKED THE COMMISSION FOR DIRECTION IN DEALING WITH DEP. IT WAS DETERMINED THAT TOWN MANAGER KELLOGG WOULD CONTACT DEP AND INQUIRE ABOUT THE 60/40 MATCH AND COME BACK TO THE COMMISSION WITH UPDATED INFORMATION.

**6. COMMENTS FROM COMMISSIONERS ON TOPICS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

VICE MAYOR THURLOW-LIPPISCH EXTENDED THANKS TO WASTE MANAGEMENT

7. **ADJOURN:** THERE BEING NO FURTHER DISCUSSION, VICE MAYOR THURLOW-LIPPISCH MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN, SECONDED BY CMSR. SCHOPPE, ALL IN FAVOR. MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:55 P.M.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

ANN-MARIE S. BASLER  
TOWN CLERK