

**TOWN OF SOUTH BETHANY
TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MAY 30, 2013**

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Mayor Jankowski called the May 30, 2013, Town Council Workshop Meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Mayor Kathy Jankowski; Councilpersons Al Rae, Jim Gross, Pat Voveris, and George Junkin; Town Manager Melvin Cusick; Chief Joe Deloach; and Administrative Assistant Pam Smith

EXCUSED ABSENCE: Councilperson Sue Callaway

UNEXCUSED ABSENCE: Councilperson Mark Damato

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Denis Franks MD (2 N. 6th St.) – Mr. Franks brought forth three issues. The following is the discussion that took place regarding the issues:

1. Beach walkways on both sides of the dune – Mr. Franks said the walkway is very steep at N. 6th St. and he is concerned about elderly people that use the walkway. The Town Manager stated that DNREC is going to be doing temporary repairs on the walkways, and sometime this summer there is going to be a full beach replenishment at which time the walkways will be restored back to the way they were after the 2007 beach replenishment project. Councilman Gross stated that the handicap walkway needed a lot of work. The Town Manager replied that DNREC has to do the work on the handicap walkway. The Town Manager noted that the Mobi-Mats can't be put out until DNREC is done their work.
2. Properties on the Oceanside that are in need of repair and/or have tall weeds – Mr. Franks said there are places that look like no one has been in them for years. Regarding houses in need of repair, Councilman Gross stated that the existing ordinance needs to be enforced. Regarding tall weeds, Councilman Gross said the Town can't enforce that on the east side of Ocean Dr. because that is DNREC's jurisdiction. Councilman Rae stated that he sees a lot of weeds in the right-of-way. Mayor Jankowski stated that hopefully the Town will be getting a full-time Code Enforcement Constable soon and the Town can start addressing some of these things.
3. Bike racks – Mr. Franks complained that people chain bikes to his trash cans, fence, and driveway. Mayor Jankowski asked if the Town needed another bike rack. Mr. Franks said that is part of it. Councilman Gross said the problem is where to put another bike rack. Chief Deloach said he will work with Mr. Franks if someone is chaining their bicycle to Mr. Franks' property. Chief Deloach said he will keep his eye out for it.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- **Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes, April 12, 2013** – A motion was made by Councilman Junkin, seconded by Councilman Rae, to accept the April 12, 2013, Town Council Regular Meeting Minutes as amended as follows:

Page 8, Third Paragraph, Last Sentence: Change “date” to “data”.

Page 9, Charter and Code Committee, Third Paragraph, First Sentence: Change "Mr. Cestone noted that the committee has to finalize Ordinance 168-13 which Council has already had two readings of" to read "Mr. Cestone noted that the committee has to finalize Ordinance 168-13 of which Council has already had two readings."

The motion was unanimously carried.

- **Town Council Workshop Meeting Minutes, April 25, 2013** – A motion was made by Councilman Junkin, seconded by Councilman Gross, to accept the April 25, 2013, Town Council Workshop Meeting Minutes as amended as follows:

Page 7, First Sentence: Change "lack" to "use".

The motion was unanimously carried.

At 10:23 a.m. a motion was made by Councilman Gross, seconded by Councilman Junkin, that Council go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter in which the name, competency, and ability of individual applicants for the Code Enforcement Constable position will be discussed. The motion was unanimously carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL MATTER IN WHICH THE NAME, COMPETENCY, AND ABILITY OF INDIVIDUAL APPLICANTS FOR THE CODE ENFORCEMENT CONSTABLE POSITION WILL BE DISCUSSED

Council went into Executive Session at 10:25 a.m. to discuss a personnel matter in which the name, competency, and ability of individual applicants for the Code Enforcement Constable position will be discussed.

RECONVENE WORKSHOP MEETING

At 11:24 a.m. a motion was made by Councilman Junkin, seconded by Councilman Gross, to reconvene the Town Council Workshop Meeting.

CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE VOTE TO HIRE A NEW CODE ENFORCEMENT CONSTABLE

Mayor Jankowski directed the Administrative Assistant to reschedule the June 1, 2013, Town Council Organizational Meeting to begin at 8:30 a.m. rather than 10 a.m. and to revise the Town Council Organizational Meeting Agenda by adding the following items after Item 2 (Swearing in New Council Members):

- Executive Session regarding a personnel matter in which the name, competency, and ability of individual applicants for the Code Enforcement Constable position will be discussed.
- Reconvene Organizational Meeting
- Consideration and possible vote to hire a new Code Enforcement Constable.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no comments from the public.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Councilman Gross, seconded by Councilwoman Voveris, to adjourn the May 30, 2013, Town Council Workshop Meeting at 11:30 a.m.