

**MINUTES**  
**TOWN OF SUNSET BEACH**  
**Regular Called Meeting, Public Hearing & Work Session**  
February 4, 2008  
6:45 p.m.

**Members Present**

Mayor Ron Klein  
Mayor Pro Tem Len Steiner  
Councilman Ron Watts  
Councilman Bob Bobinski  
Councilman Lou DeVita  
Councilman Wilson Sherrill

**Others Present**

Gary Parker, Town Administrator  
Mike Isenberg, Town Attorney  
Kim Cochran, Town Clerk

**6:45 PM Work Session**

Mayor Klein stated that two items had been removed from the agenda. The zoning of the newly annexed 64 acres on Hwy #904 would be deferred until March due to a technicality. Also, BB-1 had language amendments that were substantial, so another public hearing would take place in March also.

The Mayor brought up the ladder truck and the fact that the town had been saving 150,000 per year for one. The town now had the opportunity to purchase with a better deal and needed to decide whether to go ahead with this one or wait.

Fire Chief Barbee spoke on the requirements and specifications of the truck. See Ladder Truck Proposal attached and incorporated by referred and made part of these minutes.

Steiner added the possibility of what they call "piggy-backing", which is another town that went through the lengthy bidding process enables another town to buy a truck based on their bids. Finance was waiting on the certified copies from the town in Florida that had just purchased a truck.

Ken Proctor, salesman for EIS confirmed the town was guaranteed the price quoted. He just needed confirmation from council that they would purchase if all bids were done correctly.

After more discussion, Parker stated he would bring back to council in March the proposal on the finances and fund balance. Council agreed to add this item to the agenda under New Business.

Bobinski reiterated a previous conversation with Chief Barbee about whether our ISO rating would be affected if we *didn't* have a ladder truck. Chief Barbee stated no, we would still be good on the rating.

**TOWN COUNCIL MEETING 7:00 pm**

**1 & 2. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE.**

Mayor Klein called the meeting to order and led the Council in the pledge of allegiance.

**3. MINUTES OF REGULAR CALLED MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING FEBRUARY 4, 2008.**

Sherrill had a name correction in public comments. Motion by Watts to adopt minutes as presented with name correction. Seconded by Steiner, Motion Carried.

**4. REQUEST TO SPEAK: Candace Hobbs- Communities in Schools.**

Ms. Hobbs spoke about this program and how greatly it affects children and families alike. CIS was asking for a \$1,000.00 donation in the 2008-2009 budget.

**5. PUBLIC HEARING:**

a. Item on RI-1 not heard- deferred until March

b. Amendment to the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance;  
Sections #150.205 #150.207; #150.215; #1510.216; #150.222  
and #150.301. These updates are suggested by FEMA.

No other comments.

Public Hearing closed.

**6. REPORTS:**

**a. Administrator-** Parker gave the tax reconciliation report to Council and asked for a date to advertise delinquent taxes in March. Motion by Watts to advertise taxes in March, Seconded by Sherrill. Motion Carried unanimously.

The Mayor presented Cara Newell, resident whom asked for permission to plant roses outside Chief Massey's window in remembrance of her mother. Council thought this was a very kind and thoughtful deed and thanked Mrs. Newell. Motion by Watts to allow Mrs. Newel to plant roses in front of Town Hall, Seconded by Sherrill. Motion carried.

**b. Police-** report attached. Chief Massey informed all that there was an extreme increase in drug activity and for everyone to be on the alert for suspicious activity.

**c. Fire-** report attached. After Steiner asking about the roof at the fire dept., Chief Barbee stated they had no new leaks so far. It should be fixed.

**d. Public Works** –report attached.

**e. Building Inspections-** see report attached

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

**a. Resolution not to collect “Minimal Taxes” Under Five (\$5.00) Dollars**

The tax collector explained there quite a few taxes the town billed that were under a dollar or within a couple of dollars that were usually common area and had little value. It costs more in postage and paper than the actual bill or what the town would collect. The county had been doing this for years and felt it was justifiable.

Motion by Steiner to adopted Resolution not to collect “Minimal Taxes” under Five (\$5.00) Dollars. Seconded by Bobinski. Motion carried unanimously.

**b. Resolution Authorizing the Disposition of Personal Property (Four Wheelers)**

Motion by Watts to adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Disposition of the Four Wheelers, Seconded by Sherrill. Motion carried unanimously.

**c. Letter of Intent to Purchase Fire Ladder Truck**

Motion by Steiner for a letter of intent to be sent to the manufacturer of the ladder truck to purchase the truck provided all other areas of concern, particularly the piggyback be clarified between now and the next meeting and if favorable, to go ahead in order to forgo the bidding process. Seconded by Watts. Motion carried. Unanimously.

**8. OLD BUSINESS:**

**a. Adopt FY2006-2007 Audit**

Motion by DeVita to adopt FY Audit 2006-2007 presented at January’s meeting. Seconded by Watts. Motion carried.

~~b. BB-1~~ **deferred until March - not heard**

**c. Resolution of Disposition to Sell Personal Property** (Deferred from

January) Last months’ resolution to sell the Crown Vic was tabled permanently. No action taken as council would not be selling said car. Action was taken on a Resolution to sell the Chevrolet Impala instead.

Motion by Steiner to adopt Resolution to sell 1998 Chevrolet Impala, seconded by Watts. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Zone 64 acres on Hwy #904 as RI-1- **Item not heard. Deferred until March**

**e. Amendment to the Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance**

Curtis, Building Inspector, stated there were no major changes, this was mainly language clean-up.

Motion by Watts to adopt Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance, seconded by Bobinski. Motion carried.

The Mayor announced they would be going into Executive Session but would have public comments first so those that wished to speak wouldn’t have to wait around.

**9. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Bill Elling, Triangle Trail; reminded council of his complaints last month and stated they now had a new street light and thanked Council and town.

M. Daniel Stanaland; asked the Town Administrator to search the town's minutes from the 1990's for issues concerning his personal property at Bonaparte. Mr. Stanaland had a multitude of complaints against the town and county officials concerning what he believes to be his property.

Mimi Benedict, 9120 Forest Dr; reminded Council she had just been annexed July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007. She also owned property in Seaside North and knew Council was considering annexing this property now and how do they stop it?

Parker explained to Ms. Benedict and others with the same questions that the town was not annexing anything in Seaside now. The only thing we had was a Resolution of Consideration; which meant it was being considered. That was all. It was not definite and if in fact they did decide to annex, the consideration had to sit for a year. Then there would be a Resolution of Intent with letters, public hearings and informational meetings. She would definitely know if we were going to do this.

Daniel Stanaland spoke again on his dissatisfaction with the Regency being built on his family land and felt fraud had been committed by his brother. Mayor Klein informed Mr. Stanaland he needed to go to probate court in Bolivia for this.

Claude Hole, 1859 Seaside N.; asked about the annexation sign on his street. Council again explained this sign was for the 64 acres only. The sign was placed where residents could see it. This was the legal process. It had nothing to do with Seaside North.

**Motion** was made by Watts to go into closed session to instruct staff concerning the position to be taken on behalf of the Council in negotiating the price and other material terms of a proposed contract for the acquisition of the real property. Seconded by Steiner. Motion carried.

Council returned from Executive Session.

**Motion** by Watts to return to open session, Seconded by Bobinski. Motion carried.  
No further action taken.

***Motion to Adjourn by Steiner.***

Adopted this 3rd day of March, 2008.

**TOWN OF SUNSET BEACH**

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***Mayor Ron Klein***

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***Kim Cochran***

Town Clerk

