



**Town of Surfside
Town Commission Meeting Workshop
MINUTES**

**November 13, 2018
6 p.m.**

Town Hall Commission Chambers - 9293 Harding Ave, 2nd Floor
Surfside, FL 33154

1. Opening

A. Call to Order

Mayor Dietch called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. Roll Call of Members

Town Clerk Novoa called the roll with the following members present: Mayor Dietch, Vice Mayor Gielchinsky, Commissioner Karukin and Commissioner Paul. Commissioner Cohen arrived at 6:05 p.m.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

Chief Yero led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Code Compliance Priorities and Process – Guillermo Olmedillo, Town Manager

- Code Compliance Mission
- Existing Policy
- Code Compliance Process
- Questions and Answers

Town Manager Olmedillo introduced the item to the Town Commission.

Commissioner Paul raised concerns regarding dogs walking on the beach and swimming and the construction workers congregating on Collins Avenue in the early morning hours before they are able to start working.

Town Manager Olmedillo explained that if a complaint is made regarding a nuisance, police will be called to the area. There is no violation if people are congregating in a public area and it is not enforceable unless they are causing a nuisance.

Commissioner Paul also commented that the litter around the construction sites is becoming an issue.

Commissioner Karukin stated that because of his own resistance to increase enforcement in general, unless Commissioner Paul is talking about existing resources, he is not going to support additional resources.

Commissioner Paul commented that she does not want additional resources but to shift the schedules of the Code Compliance staff.

Discussion ensued regarding the schedules of the Code Compliance staff and how to better enforce issues in the Town.

Commissioner Paul also mentioned an issue of barking dogs being left unattended in yards.

Discussion ensued regarding how the littering from construction sites are handled.

Commissioner Cohen commented that another issue is the situation in the alleys. The trash is constantly overflowing and the drainage is causing odors in the alleys. Mayor Dietch replied that this is more of an operational matter that can be discussed at another meeting and would like to focus on Code Compliance priorities.

Commissioner Paul stated that the sheds on the oceanfront properties are not being addressed. Technically, they are a permanent structure that is not being considered a permanent structure by a technicality of not being affixed to the ground. She feels that regulations and guidelines need to be created for the safety of these sheds.

Town Manager Olmedillo commented that it can be discussed at a future meeting.

Vice Mayor Gielchinsky tends to agree overall that the code priorities are in line with reality in terms of what the Commission looked at two and a half years ago. There is one issue in respect to the alleys that has not been addressed yet which is the appearance of illegal parking spots. He would like to see if it is an appropriate time now to start refocusing their efforts there.

Discussion ensued regarding illegal parking in the alleys. Mayor Dietch commented that the Commission can come back to this item as an alleyway management program that involves Code Compliance and Public Works.

Mayor Dietch mentioned some health and public safety concerns such as stagnant water, education on waste management, educating residents on placing non-recyclable materials in recycle bins. He also mentioned the following code compliance issues; dogs defecating on someone's lawn or the waste bag being put in someone's waste receptacle, or a dog at the beach, commercial vehicles parked on the street overnight in the single-family neighborhood, lights that shine beyond a person's property, all of the issues related to landscaping and equipment used.

Town Manager Olmedillo discussed and advised the public on matters that have to be seen in order to take action.

Discussion ensued regarding the topics brought up by the Town Commission.

Mayor Dietch opened the floor to public comments and the following member of the public spoke:

- Victor May

There being no other speakers, Mayor Dietch closed the public comments portion.


Town Manager Olmedillo stated that he will be presenting a program to the Town Commission on how to address all of the issues that have been brought to his attention.

10. Adjournment

There being no further business, Vice Mayor Gielchinsky made a motion to adjourn. The motion received a second from Commissioner Paul. The meeting adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

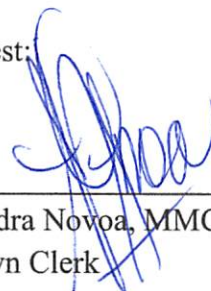
Respectfully submitted,

Accepted this 11th day of December, 2018



Daniel Dietch, Mayor

Attest:



Sandra Novoa, MMC
Town Clerk