



**Town of Surfside
Regular Town Commission Meeting
MINUTES
August 11, 2020
7 p.m.**

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

1. Opening

A. Call to Order

Mayor Burkett called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

B. Roll Call of Members

Town Clerk McCready called the roll with the following members present:

Present: Mayor Charles Burkett, Vice Mayor Tina Paul, Commissioner Charles Kesl, and Commissioner Nelly Velasquez. Commissioner Eliana Salzhauer arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Also present were Interim Town Manager Jason Greene and Town Attorney Lillian Arango.

C. Pledge of Allegiance

D. Mayor and Commission Remarks – Mayor Charles W. Burkett

E. Agenda and Order of Business Additions, deletions and linkages

A motion was made by Commissioner Velasquez to move up on the agenda items 9ZZ (Purchase of the Property Located at 9540 Bay Drive (Pink House)), 9AAA (Permanent Digital Sign), 9TT (Amendment to the Tourist Board Ordinance), 9CCC (Cone of Silence/Secrecy) and 9W (Lowering of Property Taxes and Water Bills). The motion died for lack of a second.

Vice Mayor Paul suggested prioritizing the items that continue to be deferred.

Commissioner Salzhauer stated that the dog park item should be removed from the agenda since it was already addressed.

Mayor Burkett directed Town Clerk McCready to remove the dog park item from the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Salzhauer to move up on the agenda Item 9VV (Discussion and Action Regarding Newly Implemented "Town Blog", Surfside Gazette and Social Media Guidelines), seconded by Vice Mayor Paul. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Velasquez voting in opposition.

F. Community Notes – Mayor Charles W. Burkett

2. Quasi-Judicial Hearings

3. Consent Agenda (Set for approximately 7:30 p.m.)

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Paul to approve the Consent with the amendment to the minutes and minus the Town Manager's report, seconded by Commissioner Velasquez. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

A. Minutes – Sandra N. McCready, MMC, Town Clerk

- July 21, 2020 Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes
- July 21, 2020 Special Town Commission Meeting Minutes
- July 28, 2020 Special Town Commission Meeting Minutes

Commissioner Velasquez stated that she would like to amend the July 21, 2020 Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes by adding that she voted against the water rebate due to the pandemic.

Mayor Burkett commented on the changes made by Vice Mayor Paul to the July 21 meeting minutes regarding the water rebate and asked if she is for or against the rebate.

***B. Town Manager's Report – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager**

Vice Mayor Paul commented on the previous Joint Town Commission and Budget Advisory Committee Meeting and asked Interim Town Manager Greene to speak about it.

Interim Town Manager Greene gave an update on the CARES Act which is in the Town Manager's Report.

Discussion took place among the Commission regarding the CARES Act, what is the fastest way of getting money for the residents, the water rebate, as well as the water usage by residents and condominiums.

Interim Town Manager Greene addressed comments made by the Town Commission regarding the item.

Commissioner Velasquez asked how much reserve the Town needs before being able to help the residents with rebates.

Mayor Burkett stated that is not a question for the Interim Town Manager.

Commissioner Salzhauer commented on the rumors of defunding the Police Department and that was not the desire of the Commission.

Mayor Burkett stated that he agrees with Commissioner Salzhauer.

Commissioner Salzhauer commented on purchasing the pink house property in order to expand the park.

Vice Mayor Paul stated that there was talk about defunding the Police Department and that is why she pulled the Town Manager's Report.

Mayor Burkett addressed comments made on the chat and spoke regarding the water rebate.

Interim Town Manager Greene addressed the items in his report regarding the lobbyist firm and if the Commission had an issue to continue utilizing the existing lobbyist firm.

Mayor Burkett stated that he was not comfortable signing the check because this contract has not been discussed by the Commission and asked how the Commission would like to proceed.

Vice Mayor Paul stated the importance of having a lobbyist represent the Town's interest in Tallahassee, as well as obtaining funding for the Town.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Paul to accept the lobbyist firm contract, seconded by Commissioner Salzhauer. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Interim Town Manager Greene commented on the task the lobbyist firm does for the Town. He also stated that the lobbyist will be reaching out to each Commission member with updates.

Further discussion took place among the Commission regarding the lobbyist firm and the work they do for the Town.

Mayor Burkett stated that he agrees they need a lobbyist but they need results

and a plan. He mentioned having the lobbyist ask what the Commission wants and expects from the firm.

Interim Town Manager Greene presented the Budget Advisory Committee's recommendations on cutting the Police Department by 15-20%.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Paul not to proceed with cutting the Police Department budget, seconded by Commissioner Velasquez. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Commissioner Salzhauer stated that she appreciates the Budget Advisory Committee members and their work. She stated that she believes that all departments need to look at their resources. She commented on the police staffing and that the residents want it to stay the way it is.

Commissioner Velasquez stated that they should not defund the Police Department, but does believe that they need to restructure the department by having less on the top and more on the bottom. She addressed the speeding on Collins Avenue and the police are not out there giving out tickets. She believes there should be more police presence.

Commissioner Kesl spoke regarding comments made about defunding the Police Department and that no one stated to do that. He spoke regarding revenues coming in and the importance of looking at our budget.

Vice Mayor Paul commented on the budget workshop meeting and the savings that Interim Town Manager Greene presented. She stated that she appreciated the Budget Advisory Committee but they are new and need more time to review the budget.

A motion as made by Vice Mayor Paul to accept the Town Manager's Report, seconded by Commissioner Velasquez. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

***C. Town Attorney's Report – Weiss Serota, Town Attorney**

4. Ordinances

(Set for approximately N/A p.m.) (Note: Good and Welfare must begin at 8:15)

A. Second Reading Ordinances

(Set for approximately N/A p.m.) (Note: Good and Welfare must begin at 8:15)

B. First Reading Ordinances

5. Resolutions and Proclamations

(Set for approximately 9:00 p.m.) (Note: Depends upon length of Good and Welfare)

A. Employee Health Benefits Contract Renewal for FY 2021 - Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, APPROVING EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFITS CONTRACT RENEWALS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020/21, INCLUDING UNITEDHEALTHCARE FOR EMPLOYEE HEALTH INSURANCE, GUARDIAN FOR DENTAL AND VISION COVERAGE, MUTUAL OF OMAHA FOR LIFE AND DISABILITY INSURANCE, AND ASURE SOFTWARE FOR FLEXIBLE SPENDING ACCOUNT, BENEFIT SERVICES HEALTH REIMBURSEMENT ARRANGEMENT, AND COBRA ADMINISTRATION; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO ENTER INTO ANY NECESSARY AGREEMENTS WITH UNITED HEALTHCARE AND OTHER PROVIDERS; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Clerk McCready read the title into the record.

Interim Town Manager Greene introduced the item.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Paul to approve the Resolution, seconded by Commissioner Kesl. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

B. Resolution – New Town Phone Service Provider- Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH VONAGE BUSINESS INC FOR TELEPHONE SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Clerk McCready read the title into the record.

Interim Town Manager Greene introduced the item.

A motion was made by Commissioner Kesl to approve the Resolution, seconded by Commissioner Velasquez. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Vice Mayor Paul spoke regarding compatibility issues with the equipment and wants to make sure they would not need to purchase other additional equipment.

C. Waste Connections Recycling Contract – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN AGREEMENT FOR THE COLLECTION, HAULING AND PROCESSING OF COMMERCIAL AND MULTI-FAMILY SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING WITH WASTE CONNECTIONS OF FLORIDA, INC.; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Clerk McCready read the title into the record.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Paul to approve the Resolution, seconded by Commissioner Velasquez. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

D. Design Services for the Reconstruction of 96th Street Park- Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COMMISSION OF THE TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE HIGHEST-RANKED QUALIFIED FIRM, SAVINO & MILLER DESIGN STUDIO, PURSUANT TO RFQ NO. 2020-02 SEEKING DESIGN SERVICES FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF 96TH STREET PARK; AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING, IF NECESSARY, NEGOTIATIONS WITH SUBSEQUENTLY RANKED QUALIFIED FIRMS, FOR THE AWARD OF A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR SUCH SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Town Clerk McCready read the title into the record.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Paul for discussion purposes, seconded by Commissioner Velasquez.

Commissioner Velasquez asked if the Commission was not supposed to be advised of the firms and how we know this firm would be the best one. She suggested deferring this item to the next meeting in order to have their questions answered.

Interim Town Manager Greene addressed the comment made by Commissioner Velasquez and gave an update of the item. He stated that the WeTransfer file

with each pdf proposal submitted by the firms was forwarded to each Commissioner. He gave an update on the evaluation process and what the process of the chosen firm would be.

Vice Mayor Paul commented on the firms and stated that the one that was chosen had a bit of an advantage due to them working with the Town previously. She believes this should go to the Parks and Recreation Committee for their recommendations and then back to the Commission.

Commissioner Salzhauer commented on her concerns with the selection process.

Commissioner Velasquez stated that she did not get a chance to look at the files and would like to have this deferred to the next meeting in order for her to have more time to review the documents.

Mayor Burkett asked Interim Town Manager Greene to provide a presentation with some work product and information about each company. He stated for Interim Town Manager Greene to then come back to the Commission to discuss each firm including the selected firm.

Vice Mayor Paul asked what would be the cost for this project.

Interim Town Manager Greene addressed the comments made by the Town Commission regarding the item. He suggested that the top three firms that were shortlisted would then make a presentation along with questions that were asked.

Mayor Burkett stated that what is being requested is for Interim Town Manager Greene to provide a presentation with the recommendation of the Committee and its thought process.

Commissioner Salzhauer would like the link and if it could be made available.

Mayor Burkett asked Interim Town Manager Greene to place the links and the recommendations on the website and be prepared to make a presentation at the next Commission meeting.

Further discussion among the Town Commission and Town Attorney Arango took place regarding the item and the Cone of Silence.

The following individual from public spoke on the item:
George Kousoulas

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Paul to defer this item for two weeks, seconded by Commissioner Velasquez. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Salzhauer to hear Item 9A (COVID-19 Task Force Update), seconded by Commissioner Kesl. The motion carried with a 3-2 vote with Commissioner Velasquez and Mayor Burkett voting in opposition.

6. Good and Welfare/ Public Comments from Residents

(Set for approximately 8:15 p.m.)

Public comments for subjects or items not on the agenda. Public comment on agenda items will be allowed when agenda item is discussed by the Commission.

The following individuals spoke on the item:

Ann Findlay spoke regarding the proposed budget cut to the Police Department. She commented regarding the Budget Advisory Committee meeting discussion and agreement of cutting the Police Department by 15-20% and it was requested by Committee Member Bobby Cummings.

Jeff Rose spoke regarding the liaison role on the Committees and they are not to act as a board member. He asked when the signs would be coming back up on 88th Street. He spoke regarding the kayak launch and why it was removed from the agenda. He spoke regarding the purchase of the pink building, zoning in progress; and comments made on Next Door regarding the cut of the Police Department.

Horace Henderson spoke regarding condominium owners paying for water.

Yoann Andreu spoke regarding the Planning and Zoning Meeting and the items on the agenda.

Clara Diaz-Leal spoke regarding making an analysis and consider attrition. She stated that there should be a plan in place and not make decisions without making an analysis. She stated that if you want to make cuts you do it based on attrition and not cut the police department. She stated that you must retain your best employees because they are loyal to the residents. She spoke regarding the kayak launch.

Jordan Wachtel spoke regarding comments made about defunding the Police Department and the amount of time they took on the Gazette item. He spoke regarding the Community Center and asked when it will be opening up and it should be opening up to the children.

Mayor Burkett addressed the comments made by Mr. Wachtel and the email they had among themselves.

Commissioner Salzhauer addressed the comments made by Mr. Wachtel regarding defunding the Police Department.

Commissioner Velasquez commented on bringing normalcy back and how COVID is destroying the economy and believes we should open the parks.

Vice Mayor Paul addressed the comments on the kayak launch and the liability involved. She suggested placing a survey in the Gazette to see if the residents want a kayak launch and where it should be located but they have to look at the liability portion. She also spoke regarding COVID and how it is a very real and serious issue.

Commissioner Kesl commented on COVID and the statistics and seriousness of this disease.

Andrew Craven spoke regarding purchasing the pink house for the park and for the Town to consider those that live close to the house as well as the problem with parking and have consideration on the issue that could arise.

Commissioner Velasquez addressed the comments made by the public speakers regarding traffic and enforcement of speed limits in Town.

Commissioner Salzhauer addressed the comments made by speaker Andrew Craven.

Mayor Burkett addressed the comments made by speaker Clara Diaz-Leal on the issue on Byron Avenue and making Byron Avenue as nice as Carlyle and Dickens.

Deborah Cimadevilla spoke regarding traffic on Byron Avenue and closing it off would be a great idea.

Commissioner Velasquez stated that Interim Town Manager Greene should assess the properties in Town and which ones could be purchased that would be best for the Town and we could have a beautiful park with a kayak launch. She suggested having Interim Town Manager Greene come back with options of properties they could purchase.

Commissioner Salzhauer commented on the kayak launch and what solutions they could come up with.

Mayor Burkett addressed the comments made by the Commission as well as the residents and due to the rise in property prices, this is not the time to make real estate purchases.

Commissioner Kesl agreed with Mayor Burkett regarding this not being the time to purchase properties. He spoke regarding water access for the kayak launches.

George Kousoulas spoke regarding the Planning and Zoning Board meeting and the ethics and Sunshine Law orientation which was very good and how serious the Planning and Zoning Board has to be. He stated that a meeting needs to take place for the Planning and Zoning Board to know how to apply the zoning code.

Commissioner Salzhauer addressed the comments made by speaker George Kousoulas.

Moshe Banin spoke regarding the conversations about COVID and the Police cuts the Budget Advisory Committee requested and stated that they did not listen to what Police Chief Yero explained to the Committee.

Commissioner Velasquez addressed the comments made by the public speakers and that the pools should be open to the children.

Commissioner Salzhauer addressed the comments made and the rules through phases that are allowed and the Town is enforcing the rules in place.

Commissioner Velasquez addressed comments made by Commissioner Salzhauer and continuing to put our children through this and not allowing the children to go in the pool.

Vice Mayor Paul stated that it would be a good idea for Parks and Recreation Director Milian to open up the pool to residents and their families.

Commissioner Salzhauer stated that if the playground equipment is closed, the area of the pool is considered to fall under that same description which is based on County Order.

Mayor Burkett addressed comments made by the public speakers and Town Commission and directed Interim Town Manager Greene and Parks and Recreation Director Milian to come up with a plan for reopening the pool for the children.

Further discussion took place among the Town Commission regarding opening up the pool to Town residents' children and their families as well as the issue involving COVID.

Interim Town Manager Greene addressed the comments made by the Town Commission and he as well as Parks and Recreation Director Milian will look at possibly modifying the reservations for the usage of the pool in accordance with the County Order.

Discussion took place among the Town Commission regarding the opening of the pool following guidelines placed by the County and State.

A motion was made by Commissioner Velasquez to direct Interim Town Manager Greene and Parks and Recreation Director Milian to make proper decisions for what is best for the residents and children, seconded by Vice Mayor Paul. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Interim Town Manager Greene stated that they worked out a plan already and are looking at implementing said plan.

Vice Mayor Paul stated that once they have their plan ready they can put it into place.

Commissioner Salzhauer would like to know the plan that the Interim Town Manager and Parks and Recreation Director have in place.

Mandyf Davenport spoke regarding opening the pool for the children and would like to see more help from the Commission on helping the Town with the safety of the residents and putting the green paint on the sidewalk for walkability.

Deputy Town Clerk Herbelo read into the record the comment emailed from public speaker Ellen Abramson.

A motion was made by Commissioner Velasquez to move forward with item 9MM (Designated (Painted) Walking Areas in the Residential District Staff Report), seconded by Commissioner Salzhauer. Commissioner Salzhauer withdrew the second to her motion. Mayor Burkett passed the gavel and seconded the motion. The motion failed with a 2-3 vote with Commissioner Kesl, Commissioner Salzhauer and Vice Mayor Paul voting in opposition.

Vice Mayor Paul stated her previous comments on prioritizing the agenda.

Commissioner Salzhauer commented on reorganizing the agenda.

Commissioner Velasquez suggested to go through the entire list and decide which items stay and go.

Further discussion took place among the Commission regarding what the order of the agenda should be.

9. Mayor, Commission and Staff Communications

A. COVID -19 Task Force Update – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Interim Town Manager Greene gave an update on the COVID-19 Task Force.

Discussion took place among the Town Commission regarding the Task Force and

having Commissioner Kesl remain as the liaison to this Task Force.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Paul to have Commissioner Kesl continue being the liaison with the COVID-19 Task Force, seconded by Commissioner Salzhauer. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

B. Topper Selection for 4 x 4 Posts on Hardpack and Walking Path - Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

C. Building Department Document Scanning- Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

D. Pinzur Communication – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

E. Preservation of Eden Project located at 9300 Collins Avenue - Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

F. Speeding on Collins and Harding - Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

G. Amending Town Code Section 2-205 Conduct of Meetings; Agenda –Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

H. Homeless Contribution by the Town of Surfside of \$100,000 - Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

I. Free (hassle-free) downtown parking for residents - Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

J. Records Retention Policy – Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

K. Regulation of Short-Term Rentals – Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

L. S.M.A.R.T Goals, Quality Control & Quality Assurance – Commissioner Charles Kesl

Item deferred.

R. Design Review Board Discussion – Staff Report – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

S. Weiss Serota Contract Follow up – Staff Report – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

T. Town Pension Benefits for Non-Public Safety Employees – Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

U. Additional lighting in the residential area – Staff Report – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

V. Construction Guidelines for Hurricane Season – Commissioner Nelly Velasquez

Item deferred.

W. Lowering of Property Taxes and Water Bills – Staff Report – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

X. CGA Contract Follow Up – Staff Report – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

Y. Discussion Regarding Appointments to Committees and Boards –Sandra N. McCready, Town Clerk

Item deferred.

Z. Dog Park – Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

AA. FPL Solar Together - Vice Mayor Tina Paul

Item deferred.

BB. Climate Environmental Collective Revised - Vice Mayor Tina Paul

Item deferred.

CC. Interest Free Loans to Surfside Builders Granted by Former Mayor and Commission – Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

DD. How our Zoning Protections Against Over-Development Were Gutted - Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

EE. Amending Town Code Section 2-233 to Include Non-for-Profit – Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

FF. Amending Town Code Section 2-237 Business Relationships – Commissioner Eliana Salzhauer

Item deferred.

GG. Speeding & Stop Sign Running - Commissioner Eliana Salzhauer

Item deferred.

HH. Surfside Point Lake Subaqueous WM Crossing - Bid Documents – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

II. Beachwalk Trimming- Staff Report – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

JJ. Pool Deck Lighting for Extended Winter Hours- Staff Report – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

KK. Community Center Second Floor – Staff Report - Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

LL. Repeal of Ordinance No. 17-1662 Beach Furniture – Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

MM. Designated (Painted) Walking Areas in the Residential District- Staff Report – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

NN. Procurement Expertise – Commissioner Eliana Salzhauer

Item deferred.

OO. Take Home Vehicles - Commissioner Eliana Salzhauer

Item deferred.

PP. Recent and Significant Increase in Boat, Paddleboard and Kayak Use on Point Lake – Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

QQ. Comparison of 2006 Code to 2020 Code – Staff Report – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

RR. Stormwater Masterplan - Staff Report – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

SS. Securing Power Infrastructure: Timely Action Plan for Hurricane Season through accountability now by FPL, ATT and Atlantic Broadband – Staff Report – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Item deferred.

TT. Amendment to the Tourist Board Ordinance – Commissioner Nelly Velasquez

Item deferred.

UU. Demolition by Neglect - Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

VV. Discussion and Action Regarding Newly Implemented “Town Blog”, Surfside Gazette and Social Media Guidelines – Commissioner Eliana Salzhauer

Commissioner Salzhauer introduced the item and commented on social media and if the Town Gazette is best left to the Interim Town Manager for updates. She suggested to rotate every month with one Commissioner having a corner on a rotation basis. She commented on this not being a strong mayor form of government.

Commissioner Kesl spoke commented on the Gazette.

Mayor Burkett spoke regarding the salary being in the Charter and how some wanted greater pay, pension and other benefits and does not feel Town elected officials should receive payment for their services. He felt it was a disservice to the residents not allowing them to opine. He also stated that the residents should opine on term limits. He stated that in the Town Gazette all the residents are made aware of what is happening in Town as well as the ballot questions that will be on the

November ballot.

Commissioner Salzhauer addressed the comments made by Mayor Burkett, the Gazette and moving the items on the agenda forward.

Vice Mayor Paul agrees with Commissioner Salzhauer and believes that the cost should be reduced. She commented on the charter changes on the salary of the commissioners and stated it was under Mayor Burkett's administration that the salary was raised to \$500 and while she has served her salary has always been \$1.00. She stated that it was misleading for him to place his comments in the Gazette.

Mayor Burkett addressed the comments made by Vice Mayor Paul and that all the facts should be stated.

Vice Mayor Paul stated that the Cone of Silence had nothing to do with the P-3.

Commissioner Kesl stated that it should be equal time for all in the Gazette and follow the rules of decorum.

Commissioner Velasquez stated that she agrees to not interfere with Town business and stated that Commissioner Salzhauer has interfered with Town business in several areas. She spoke regarding the Commissioner's corner in the Gazette.

Town Clerk McCready reiterated the motion on the table.

Commissioner Salzhauer stated that all Commissioner Velasquez stated was false and does not appreciate the comments. She commented on the Gazette corner and comments made by Commissioner Velasquez. She believes the comments should come from Interim Town Manager Greene.

Mayor Burkett stated that an elected official can write at any time and commented on the past comments regarding the Gazette.

Commissioner Kesl commented on the Town resources and believes the agenda should be handled more affectively. He stated that they should stay with the most basic principles. He would like more representation in the Gazette.

Mayor Burkett stated that he would not mind giving each elected official an equal voice in the Gazette.

Vice Mayor Paul spoke regarding the videos some Commissioners made and they were pulled because Mayor Burkett complained during the elections that it was a misuse of Town resources and she does not want to get caught in the same track. She stated the Gazette is to provide information to the residents only.

Mayor Burkett addressed the comments made by Vice Mayor Paul and believes that he is just advising the residents what is taking place in the Town.

Further discussion took place among the Commission regarding the Gazette and what was written by Mayor Burkett.

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Paul to have the Gazette under the Interim Town Manager to give the written updates and message to the residents; the Interim Town Manager will make sure each Commissioner gets the same amount of space in the Gazette and have those comments placed in a corner designated for the Commission, seconded by Commissioner Salzhauer. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

A motion was made by Commissioner Velasquez to move up Item 9ZZ (Purchase of the property located at 9540 Bay Drive (Pink House)) before COVID-19, seconded by Commissioner Salzhauer. The motion failed with a 2-3 vote with Commissioner Kesl, Vice Mayor Paul and Mayor Burkett voting in opposition.

Commissioner Kesl made a motion to move up Item 9G (Amending Town Code Section 2-205 Conduct of Meetings; Agenda) to be heard after COVID-19, seconded by Commissioner Salzhauer. The motion carried with a 4-1 vote with Commissioner Velasquez voting in opposition.

Commissioner Salzhauer commented on the discussion regarding the water rebate and stated that it should be removed since it was discussed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Salzhauer to delete item 9W (Lowering Property Taxes and Water Bills) from the agenda. The motion died for a lack of a second.

WW. Draft Ordinance Amending Definitions of Lot Coverage - Commissioner Eliana Salzhauer

Item deferred.

XX. Zoning Rewrite "Acre" vs. "Gross Acre" - Commissioner Eliana Salzhauer

Item deferred.

YY. Legally Defective Charter Amendment Vote in 2012 – Mayor Charles W. Burkett

Item deferred.

ZZ. Purchase of the property located at 9540 Bay Drive (Pink House) – Commissioner Nelly Velasquez

Item deferred.

AAA. Permanent Digital Sign – Commissioner Nelly Velasquez

Item deferred.

BBB. Traffic Control Devices on 88th Street and Hawthorne Avenue – Commissioner Eliana Salzhauer

Item deferred.

CCC. Cone of Silence/Secrecy – Mayor Charles Burkett

Item deferred.

Thirty (30) Day Staff Report – Items from June 23, 2020 Special Town Commission Meetings

A. Miami Christmas Lights – Jason Greene, Interim Town Manager

Items Completed or Removed from Previous Agendas

A. Resolution Adopting an Amended Resiliency Reserve Policy Revision

B. Resolution Approving the March 17, 2020 Town of Surfside Municipal Election

- C. Resolution Abolishing the Sustainability and Resiliency Committee**
- D. Resolution Amending the Downtown Vision Advisory Committee**
- E. Resolution Reauthorizing the Parks and Recreation Committee**
- F. “Flash Your Lights”**
- G. Mandatory Face Mask in the Town of Surfside**
- H. Bandanas for Town Residents**
- I. Commission Meeting Starting Time at 6:00pm**
- J. Discussion Regarding Assistant Town Manager position and Action**
- K. Photovoltaic RFP**
- L. Facilities Review**
- M. Kayak Launch**
- N. Jacober Contract**
- O. Zambelli Fireworks Manufacturing**
- P. Small Business Survival Grant**
- Q. Review of Amendment No. 2 to Update No. 5 Town of Surfside Emergency Measures**
- R. Downtown Surfside Sidewalk Beautification - Plans and Studies -
[Downtown Vision Advisory Committee to discuss]**
- S. Sidewalk on N 95th St between Abbott and Byron**
- T. Beach Raking**
- U. Community Digital Signs**
- V. Government Academy**
- W. Various Tourism Related Events, Initiatives, and Destination Marketing**
- X. Classification and Compensation Study**
- Y. Flooding/Drainage Improvements**
- Z. Abbott Avenue Drainage**
- AA. Police Body-Worn Camera System**
- BB. Care ACT Fund**
- CC. FY 2020 Budget Amendment**
- DD. Purchase of Additional Sewer Pump**
- EE. Planning and Zoning Board Membership Requirements Ordinance**
- FF. Tourist Board Membership Requirement Ordinances**
- GG. Resolution Renaming the Town’s Higher Education Scholarships to be called the “Arya Gray Memorial Higher Education Scholarship”**
- HH. Interlocal Shuttle System Report Update**
- II. Reconsideration of the Installation of Berms on 92nd**
- JJ. Staffing Hiring Freeze**

- KK. Undergrounding power lines – Staff Report**
- LL. Streamline Town Staffing**
- MM. Brightview Agreement (FKA Luke’s Landscape) Report and Follow up–Staff Report**
- NN. Replacement Bins for Trash and Recycling Receptacles Throughout Town**
- OO. Discussion and Action on Ballot Language for Undergrounding of Utilities**
- PP. Potential Ballot Question - P3/Lease or Sale of Town Property**
- QQ. Charter Amendments to affirm the limit of pay for elected officials to a maximum of \$1 per year, term limits for elected officials of 3 consecutive terms, or any part thereof, for both Mayor & Commissioners, a prohibition on the sale or leasing of any Town property without a referendum & a prohibition against any loan or borrowing of any type, which would put the Town into debt for more than 10% of its annual property tax revenue and which could not be fully amortized within a total of 5 years and restore development protections in the charter**
- RR. Star Cleaning Service (Street Sweeping)**
- SS. New Zoning Code-Procedural and Notice Requirements**
- TT. 92nd St Beach-end Improvements**
- UU. Develop Capital Improvement Plan (CIP)**
- VV. 10 Year Water Supply Plan**
- WW. Various Parks & Recreation Related Events and Initiatives**

10. Adjournment

A motion was made by Commissioner Velasquez to adjourn the meeting without objection at 11:00 p.m. The motion received a second from Commissioner Kesl. The motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Accepted this 13th day of OCTOBER, 2020.

Charles W. Burkett, Mayor

Attest:



Sandra N. McCready, MMC
Town Clerk