



MINUTES  
THE TOWN OF INDIAN RIVER SHORES  
6001 North Highway A1A, Indian River Shores, FL 32963

REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

Thursday, February 28, 2013

3:30 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Thomas W. Cadden, Mayor  
Gerard A. Weick, Vice Mayor  
Frances F. Atchison, Councilmember  
Michael B. Ochsner, Councilman  
Richard M. Haverland, Councilman

**STAFF PRESENT:** Richard Jefferson, Town Manager                      Laura Aldrich, Town Clerk  
Chester Clem, Town Attorney                                      Robert Stabe, Public Safety Director  
Mike Jacobs, PSD Lieutenant                                      Shawn Hoyt, PSD Sergeant  
Darlene Wiltzius & Heather Christmas, Finance Department

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Todd Westover, Treasure Coast Refuse  
Purple Heart Proclamation recipient Marty Zickert plus 2 Veterans  
Jim Moller, JIPOA; 12 Residents including Bill Beardslee (PZV), Council  
Candidate Brian Barefoot, John Atchison  
Janet Begley (Press Journal) & Meg Laughlin (VB 32963)

1. **Call to Order**

- a. Pledge of Allegiance
- b. Invocation (Councilman Ochsner)
- c. Roll Call

Mayor Cadden called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation, followed by the roll call by the Town Clerk as reflected above.

2. **Proclamations / Presentations**

- a. Proclamation Recognizing Indian River County as a Purple Heart County  
Mayor Cadden read the Proclamation in its entirety, which was **unanimously passed 5-0** upon motion by Councilman Ochsner and seconded by Councilmember Atchison **to approve the Purple Heart County Proclamation as presented.** Mayor Cadden presented the Proclamation to Mr. Zickert, who was joined by two Purple Heart recipients. It was noted that Colonel Jack Mitchell and Town Manager Jefferson also were Purple Heart recipients. Col. Mitchell spoke to the veterans briefly on the way out.
- b. Proclamation Recognizing April 17, 2013 as Military Family and Community Covenant Day  
Mayor Cadden noted the similar text in the second Proclamation, and read most of it. A **motion to approve the proclamation recognizing Military Family and Community Covenant Day** made by Vice Mayor Weick, seconded by Councilman Ochsner, **passed 5-0.**

3. **Consent Agenda**

- a. Approval of Town Council Meeting Minutes dated January 24, 2013
- b. Approval of Invoice from Berman Hopkins Wright LaHam dated January 31, 2013  
Councilman Haverland mentioned the discussion on page five regarding the Public Safety Budget adjustment, believing the \$250,000 should be reflected as budgeted even though it was not spent yet. The Town Clerk said previously addressed items could not be reflected in these minutes. A **motion made** by Councilmember Atchison was seconded by Vice Mayor Weick **to approve the consent agenda items as presented, which passed 5-0.**

*Please Note: The Town of Indian River Shores does not routinely keep verbatim minutes. Any party interested in such an appeal relating to any decision made by the Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting is responsible to record the meeting and include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.*

4. **Discussion with Possible Action**

a. Treasure Coast Refuse Rate Adjustment (Todd Westover)

Mr. Westover recalled his most recent visit to the Council was to address weekly recycling, and before that to sign the first of two renewal options to their contract. Today he requested the first rate increase since 2007 of 5.5% to help offset the 9% increase listed in the Consumer Price Index. It would mean a fifty to sixty cent per month increase “for the overwhelming majority of the town’s residents.”

Councilman Ochsner said he has lived here for eight years, and has been amazed at what good and reasonably-priced service is provided, which was agreed by Vice Mayor Weick, Councilmember Atchison and the Mayor. Councilman Haverland asked when the contract was signed and if there has been any increase in price to date, and Mr. Westover replied this is the 2007 contract with the first increase requested. **A motion to approve the request to increase Treasure Coast Refuse rates by 5.5% was made by Vice Mayor Weick with a second by Councilmember Atchison, passing 5-0.**

Mr. Haverland asked if the **auditor fee in the Consent Agenda** was comparable to the past. Councilman Ochsner replied that the budget was \$28,000, and this has been the same amount for at least the last two years. Mr. Haverland asked if the expense has been equal to the budget, and was told it has.

b. Health Care – Retiree Opt Out Update (Councilman Haverland/Town Manager Jefferson)

Councilman Haverland said he arranged a meeting last week with three employees of the Town who are responsible for the purchase of the medical insurance, three Public Safety officers, two candidates for the Council, and himself with our agent, Danielle McClintock from Brown and Brown last week about the impact of Affordable Health Care (Obamacare) and what it meant to the Town. Summarized, it appears if nothing else changes and with current members remaining in the plan, we will face a 16-18% rate increase. Six percent is entirely attributed to the new law, which taxes the sponsors (in this case, the Town). It was very well presented although very scary, Councilman Haverland continued, adding it may be the beginning of dramatic cost increases going forward. He said we have to do a little bit of work before we go back to Brown and Brown for a quote for next year. With this Council in flux, he recommended waiting until later to have a medical (insurance) workshop as soon as new Council is seated.

Mr. Jefferson said this item was to discuss the retiree health care opt out offer, which out of the nine, he has received information from five who wanted to decline. Councilman Haverland said letter was somewhat incomplete that it talked about the opt-out option, but did not address if one stays in the plan, the former subsidy would disappear. Councilman Ochsner said that was his understanding as well. Councilman Haverland said they had an incomplete sense of what the change was. Mr. Jefferson asked if the subsidy up to 51% would be discontinued, and Councilman Haverland said absolutely, and in its place would be \$2,000 to opt-out. If they remain in the plan, it is without any subsidy (contribution) from the Town, which today is as much as \$2,300. What we agreed at the last meeting was to eliminate the subsidy and to create a subsidy of \$2,000 if they opt out, the Councilman added. Mayor Cadden said he did not remember that, and the Town Clerk said it was not clear in the motion. Mr. Jefferson said it is still not clear, asking what the option is if he wants to eliminate their 51% and give them \$2,000 instead. Councilman Haverland said they have the option to stay in the plan, but the explicit subsidy of up to 51% for the cost of an employee only benefit was agreed to be eliminated and replaced with a \$2,000 opt out benefit for those who opted out.

Mayor Cadden suggested that at the March 12<sup>th</sup> meeting they set up a date for a workshop, with Councilman Haverland saying they already agreed to this (subsidy elimination) at the last meeting. Mayor Cadden and Vice Mayor Weick said there was some confusion about this, they did not understand the motion to be that action. Councilman Haverland added it was a 2002 benefit approved by that Council, and the current retirees were all in place at that time. Mayor Cadden said they would do a workshop and make sure they were all in agreement.

c. General Employee Defined Benefit Pension Plan Closing Update (Town Manager Jefferson)

Mayor Cadden said we have to pass a new ordinance, which will take two readings. He asked Mr. Clem to read the title. Councilman Haverland said he thinks there is an issue with this as well, and was asked by the Mayor for the reading to continue prior to discussion. Mr. Clem read the ordinance by title as follows:

**ORDINANCE 511**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF INDIAN RIVER SHORES, INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE TOWN OF INDIAN RIVER SHORES’ GENERAL EMPLOYEES’ DEFINED BENEFIT PLAN; PROVIDING FOR**

**CONTINUITY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CODIFICATION; PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OF CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Mr. Clem said this would constitute the first reading if it was the desire of the Council, noting the strikethroughs and underlines signifying changes to the existing ordinance. Mayor Cadden said he did not have a problem with the Ordinance, and Councilman Haverland said he did, as it was different than what they agreed to. When the Council talked about terminating the General Employee DB Plan, there were two benefits, one was to do away with the investment risk associated with holding funds and investing them, and the other would do away with any administrative expenses associated with the plan, as it would be terminated and everybody would be paid out. The way this is written, some would be paid out, and some would not, but would continue to receive the monthly benefit. The objective was to pay out people who were entitled to a monthly benefit with a lump sum so that the plan was totally terminated and they could go into our 401k plan. The issue here is you have a number of retirees who would continue to receive a monthly benefit.

Town Manager Jefferson said this ordinance is closing the plan, and the money would be in a pool to be drawn from as the retirees would continue receiving the monthly payment. The employees did not want to receive a payout, they wanted to continue to receive a monthly payment. Councilman Haverland and Mr. Clem acknowledged this closes the plan. Councilman Haverland added the Council didn't close the plan, they terminated the plan, and the employees get everything they are entitled to. Councilman Haverland said the ordinance is inconsistent with what they agreed to do.

Mayor Cadden said what Councilman Haverland thought was done and what he thought was done are two different things. The three employees were sent a letter saying we were terminating (the plan), and they questioned how the Council could do this without them even being in attendance. They deserve an opportunity to come in and talk to the Council, after working for the Town for so many years. We considered what could be done to solve the problem and came up with this, leaving the three in the plan with the payments continued, Mayor Cadden concluded.

Councilman Haverland said this is wrong and is totally against the concept we are operating on. That would maintain an investment risk, and we are making totally unrealistic assumptions about investment returns. In order to eliminate the issues about returns that are unrealistic, we agreed to terminate the plan. Town Manager Jefferson said these people worked here for many long years, and it was never agreed to force them out. Councilman Haverland said that's not what it is about, we recognized this when we talked about it in the first place. Town Manager Jefferson disagreed.

Councilman Haverland asked for a reread of the Minutes of that date in which they agreed to terminate the plan. Councilman Ochsner located and read the motion from the last meeting as "...motion to terminate the General Employee Pension Plan made by Vice Mayor Weick, seconded by Councilman Haverland, which passed 5-0."

Vice Mayor Weick said there is a problem in that the people don't want to drop it, and we can reconsider what to do. Councilman Haverland said first of all, they have no right to refuse to do it, but they could have a choice and say I wish you wouldn't do it. The Council is responsible, we agreed to terminate the plan. The actuary tells them exactly what they are entitled to, and it is what it is. We notified them as we said we would, Mayor Cadden added, and they all went up in arms. They could get their own actuary, he added, and then we could have a standoff as to which actuarial estimate to accept. Councilman Haverland asked if they could get an actuary to accept the 6.9% we currently are accepting, that person should be uncertified. The fact that they don't want the cash is fine. They are not entitled to direct the Council not to terminate the plan. It's the Council's right, and the fact is that three employees don't want a cash payout, which could be put in a 401k without tax consequences and invest it, because they can't invest it at 6.9 % but only at 3%. They want us to continue to fund an unrealistic plan, for their benefit, which we've done for 20 or 30 years. It's over, it's done, Councilman Haverland concluded.

Mr. Clem said the three people who are involved were not even notified that this action was happening. Councilman Haverland said they don't have to be, they have no rights. Mr. Clem asked if he intended to terminate the retirement for someone who worked here for 20 years without even giving them an opportunity to speak. Councilman Haverland said they would be paid out everything they are owed in cash. Mr. Clem said it is not everything they expect, and there are fixed amounts they have been relying on. Councilman Haverland argued with him about taking the cash amount and investing it at 6.9% and being in exactly the

same position. But if (those rates aren't available), she's going to get less. Meantime, she is assuming that we can invest it and get that rate of return. Councilman Haverland referenced IBM terminating their plan on 77,000 people. Mr. Clem said we are dealing with three. Town Manager Jefferson questioned the future plans for current employee's retirement, if what they were promised was just a joke. The Councilman replied, "That's correct."

Councilmember Atchison said there were five of them who voted for this, and Vice Mayor Weick said at that point, they didn't know if the retirees would take the offer. Mr. Clem said this was done with no input from them whatsoever. Vice Mayor Weick added he assumed they would take the offer as this money would stay in their estate after they pass on, which seemed reasonable to him. Councilman Haverland said the motion did not include that it was subject to anyone liking it, just that we were terminating the plan. Mayor Cadden said it caused all three to panic, and he did not like making anyone who worked here for 20 years feel that way. He has changed his position on this. Vice Mayor Weick made **a motion to keep the plan as it is until there is a complete understanding of what the Council is trying to accomplish**, with a second by Mayor Cadden, with stopping where we are right now, getting more input, and then go forward.

Councilman Ochsner said he would go along with that if we also adopt a reasonable rate of return. The Town assumes all of the investment risk, which is the problem with these defined benefit plans. The assumption is that the market will always go up, and it has not. Vice Mayor Weick, Councilman Ochsner and Councilman Haverland agreed this plan is better than it was a year ago at 51% funded, and the (Public) Safety plan is 61% funded. They discussed statewide average of being fully funded at 75%, 70% or 100%.

Mayor Cadden asked if we could please give these people a chance to talk to us. The Vice Mayor asked if he wanted to lower the rate to 6.5%, and Councilman Haverland suggested 3.3%. Mayor Cadden and Councilmember Atchison both iterated that it needs to be explained clearly to the three, and Councilman Ochsner and the Mayor agreed we need to have the retirees and maybe an investment advisor present.

Councilman Ochsner said this doesn't have to be undone, but there was no effective date. March 1<sup>st</sup> was just the date of calculations. Councilman Haverland added that they terminated it for as soon as they could implement it, as they have to give a 30 day notice to the Florida League of Cities to give the money back. He saw no reason to "stop this train," which the Mayor disagreed. Councilman Ochsner asked if notice has been given, and more discussion about closing or terminating the plan occurred between the Mayor and Councilman Haverland.

Mr. Clem strongly suggested that Ordinance 511 go forward as first reading, and also strongly suggested a meeting with everyone involved since there may be vested rights (he has not investigated this).

Councilman Ochsner asked to make a motion to table the ordinance, as the process (to close or terminate the plan) has not actually begun yet. Town Manager Jefferson said all we have done thus far is to send notice to the three retirees of the amount the actuary said they are entitled to should we terminate the plan. Councilmember Atchison asked when the retirees were contacted, and Mr. Jefferson said after the last meeting, by letter. Councilman Haverland asked if they were told how much they were going to receive, and Mr. Jefferson said yes, then they expressed grave concern. Mayor Cadden said they would like to have been here and heard the discussion.

The motions on the floor were brought up, with Councilman Haverland interjecting that this ordinance bears no relation to what the Council agreed to, stating it should be rewritten to terminate the plan, not close the plan. This is no good. Mayor Cadden agreed.

The Vice Mayor's **motion to keep the plan as it is until there is a complete understanding of what the Council is trying to accomplish was withdrawn**, with Mayor Cadden withdrawing his second. A **motion to table the ordinance** was made by Councilman Ochsner, seconded by Vice Mayor Weick, **which passed 5-0**. Councilman Haverland asked for the ordinance to be redrawn according to what they agreed on.

d. Personal Leave Elimination (Councilman Haverland)

Councilman Haverland said that during the negotiations for the Public Safety Department's (PSD) union contract, there were two reductions: to eliminate the four (4) Personal Leave days and to decrease the Town's contribution to employee's dependent insurance from 78% to 64%. Most of them understood that the same changes would be implemented for the general employees. The medical subsidy reduction was finally enacted last month, and he has also found that the Personal Leave has not been removed. He proposed that they correct this, and Mayor Cadden agreed, adding we have always followed the PSD Contract. Vice Mayor Weick noted that they have also eliminated the accumulation of Sick Leave and Vacation, which Councilman Haverland said was done way before the union contract negotiations.

**A motion to eliminate the four (4) Personal Leave days for General Employees as was done for the Safety Group** was made by Councilman Haverland, seconded by Councilmember Atchison, **which passed 5-0.**

- e. Indian River Lagoon Coalition Leadership Role Acceptance (Councilmember Atchison)

Councilmember Atchison recognized resident Doug Graybill in the audience, who along with John Orcutt are spearheading membership in the coalition to clean up the Lagoon. Mr. Graybill commended the Council for enacting the most stringent fertilizer ordinance in the County, and would like them to now consider taking a leadership role in this coalition. The Indian River Lagoon is directly attributable to providing \$3.7 billion into our economy. Over last 2 years, \$340 million per year has been lost due to an overall 43% loss of sea grass in the Lagoon, and 63% in Indian River County. This is why he asked the Town to be one of the 26 organizations who have signed up in our county.

Councilman Haverland asked what joining means, and Mr. Graybill said it shows the Town believes it is important, and we support an organization that will go forth to county, state and federal governments for grants for focus groups. It is moral support, not economic, Mr. Graybill said.

**A motion to join in supporting membership for the Coalition for the Indian River Lagoon Call to Action** was made by Councilmember Atchison and supported by Councilman Ochsner, **which passed unanimously 5-0.**

- f. Committee Appointees – PZV, Finance (Town Manager)

Mr. Jefferson said Jackie Johnson has been on the Planning, Zoning and Variance Board for more than eight years and is now “termed out.” He said the recommendation is to allow alternate Barbara Palumbo to move to full-time member. **A motion to approve the appointment of Barbara Palumbo as full-time PZV Board Member** was made by Councilmember Atchison, seconded by Vice Mayor Weick. The PZV Chairman, Bill Beardslee, was asked if he concurred, and he affirmed. **The motion passed 5-0.**

- g. Acceptance of FDLE Grant for Criminal Investigations (Town Manager)

Mr. Jefferson said this \$1,000 grant is for training and education, **which motion was made to accept the FDLE grant for Criminal Investigations** by Vice Mayor Weick, supported by Councilmember Atchison, **passing 5-0.**

Councilman Haverland noted that the agenda said the Committee Appointment above also mentioned Finance Committee, and Mr. Jefferson said next month there will be an opening for that committee.

- h. Northern Trust Resolution for Signature Authority (Town Manager)

This is to renew the signature authority to allow Heather Christmas and Darlene sign for action on the Town’s CD, which currently has former Treasurer Judith Lewis’ signature on file. Councilman Haverland asked if it required two signatures, and was told it did not. He suggested that since a sizeable sum of money is involved, it should require two signatures. They are required on relatively small checks, and all were in agreement that this change could be made. He asked *if they also could verify that other CD’s and accounts require two signatures.* Vice Mayor Weick noted on the bank resolution the right-hand column asked for the number of signatures required, which the Council determined should have Richard Jefferson designated as a signatory and require two signatures in that column. Councilman Haverland **made a motion to approve the Northern Trust Resolution for Signature Authority with the Town Manager plus one of the two from the Finance Department, with a minimum of two signatures required.** The CD matures March 11, so confirmation by the next meeting that this was done as approved is required at that meeting. **The motion passed 5-0.**

## 5. Town Attorney

- a. Resolution 13-02 Reaffirming Support on Banning Texting While Driving

Mr. Clem read the resolution in title as follows:

### **RESOLUTION NO. 13-02**

#### **A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF INDIAN RIVER SHORES IN INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA, REAFFIRMING ITS SUPPORT ON A BAN ON TEXTING WHILE DRIVING; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

He read Section 1 which states support of adoption of laws to ban texting while driving and makes it unlawful to manually type in a wireless communication device, and send or read data while operating a vehicle on public roads. He also reviewed Section 2, and said we were asked to reaffirm the resolution before the Legislative session begins. The Town Clerk added that there are now 39 states, which is up from 24 two years ago.

A motion to approve the Resolution 13-02 as written to reaffirm support on a ban on texting while driving was made by Councilman Ochsner, supported by Councilmember Atchison, which passed 5-0. Councilman Ochsner commented that it seems crazy to have to do this, and Vice Mayor Weick said it is still legal to use a cell phone while driving in Florida.

b. Possible First Reading of Draft Ordinance 510, Trucks, Boats and Trailers in Residential Areas

Mr. Clem said there has been an ordinance on the books for years that limits pick-up trucks in the Land Development Code (LDC) section 161.02. It presently states “No trucks, boats, trailers, campers or similar items shall be permitted in residential areas unless completely garaged.” There is currently nothing that has to do with enforcement or variations, so he and Richard have reviewed this with Public Safety for enforceability improvement. There are no substantive changes, he said. Councilman Haverland asked why we are considering this, and Mr. Clem said a situation has come up with a pickup truck in the yard of a neighbor, who is complaining that it violates our Code. This is all about enforcement, Mr. Clem said. We aren't changing the garaging requirement, which is found in several places. Vice Mayor Weick asked if this was the same as the City of Vero Beach, and Mr. Clem said ours is more restrictive, as it includes pickup trucks.

Vice Mayor Weick noted that the hours are not consistent, with one section quoting 7:30 to 6 pm and the other stating 7 pm and 7 am. Making it a consistent 7 to 7 was recommended. Councilman Ochsner said Section 3 refers to Section 1, which is repealed, and should reference Section 2. Councilmember Atchison said that garaging by 6 p.m. is early. Vice Mayor Weick said for servicing people, it is 7:30, and for owners, we want them garaged from 7-7, so commercial should follow the same, which was agreeable.

Mr. Clem then performed the first reading by title as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 510

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF INDIAN RIVER SHORES, FLORIDA RELATING TO PARKING, KEEPING, OR STORING OF VEHICLES, BOATS, AND TRAILERS ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY; PROVIDING PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT PROCEDURE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

He went on to read the majority of the ordinance. Afterwards, Councilman Ochsner asked why this is a civil infraction, which Mr. Clem said is due to it covering several instances, such as parking on private property as well as public streets.

Vice Mayor Weick asked about an El Camino, Cadillac Escalade, Lincoln truck, are they trucks since they have an open bed in the back. Mr. Clem said if it is called a truck on the license, it would be. This is supplementary to POA/HOA regulations as it has always been. A motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 510 was made by Vice Mayor Weick, supported by Councilmember Atchison, which passed 5-0. Mr. Clem invited comments on this to be submitted to him prior to the meeting next month.

6. Town Manager

a. General Fund Analysis & Town Council Budget

Mr. Jefferson said the Finance Department report was included as a synopsis of where we stand, and Vice Mayor Weick commented it is very good. Councilman Ochsner said Finance Committee asked for this, and it is great. He asked if Heather could just add the forecasted year end numbers.

b. Departmental Reports (Building, Public Safety, Financial Balance) No comments.

7. Committee Reports

a. Planning, Zoning & Variance (meeting 2-11-13 report)

Mr. Beardslee said they had two issues at their February 11<sup>th</sup> meeting, which both concerned fences. The first in Pebble Bay was approved for two 4' fences but not for 6' in the front yard, only 4' as required in the LDC. The homeowner requested a variance verbally, which was denied as no hardship was found. The second request for a 4' fence in River Club was approved.

b. Finance Committee (Draft Minutes 1-22-13). Councilman Ochsner noted they meet next week.

c. Council Committee Reports (MPO, EDC, TCCLG, TCRPC, Others)

**National Shore and Beach Preservation** Annual meeting in Jacksonville. Councilman Ochsner said there were two Beach & Shores meetings, and he attended the Beach Preservation conference. Interesting material was covered at the conference, but as it relates to us, sea turtles prevent a particular solution to our beaches. He gathered that probably no permits will be issued for our coast line because of them. It looks like the most cost effective measure is to continue to put sand back on the beach. The Army Corp did a study last year

from St. Lucie to Miami Dade to see if there is enough sand available to continue to replenish, which said there is surplus available (upland and offshore).

**Beach & Shores.** He continued reporting that Indian River County was empowered to get emergency repair permits for Baytree, Marbrisa, John's Island Club, and Ocean Pearl due to Hurricane Sandy damage. Ocean Colony, Reef, Surf and Pebble Lane also did their own replenishment which was completed yesterday.

Vice Mayor Weick reported that he attended one of the Beach & Shores meetings for Councilman Ochsner, and since the County scored low on points, and it doesn't look like we will get any state money for Hurricane Sandy damage. It will be appealed using the sand mines for innovative efforts. Neither FEMA nor the State are getting funds for beach replenishment. They have been using tourist tax money, but it may not be enough. Vice Mayor Weick asked if they could scrape the beach at low tide, like they do in Europe, and this is not allowed in the United States.

**MPO.** Councilmember Atchison attended on behalf of Councilman Haverland. Kimly Horne presented the Twin Pairs feasibility study, and found the redesign adds about a minute for evacuation. The other matter of interest was trying to get a vote to opt out on Seven50, and it was a 4/4 tie because the quorum left over a three hour period. We (she on behalf on the Town) voted against 750. The next meeting is cancelled.

**TCRLC (Treasure Coast Regional League of Cities).** Councilmember Atchison said Mr. Jefferson attended this for her, and he reported there was nothing other than general business.

**TCCLG (Treasure Coast Council for Local Governments).** Councilman Haverland said there was no special agenda, just talking about a lot of the proposed legislation.

**EDC.** Vice Mayor Weick reported they discussed programs on how to get businesses in the County. Commissioner Zorc presented ten or twelve ideas he had.

Mayor Cadden said this is the last official meeting at the Council for Councilmember Frannie Atchison. He appreciated her service, she has worked hard, he added. Mayor Cadden also said he would like to see her sit it out for a couple of years and then come back. He presented her with a plaque and a card amidst a round of applause. She thanked everyone very much, saying it has been a privilege and quite a learning experience.

8. **Call to Audience**

Walter Davis said he has read stories about the cell tower and asked if there was any update. Mayor Cadden said they are working on a program, which will not be made public yet, with the cell tower people. If everything works out, everyone will be happy. Mr. Davis thanked the Council for working so hard on it.

9. **Adjournment**

Hearing no further comments, the meeting was adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Laura Aldrich, Town Clerk

(Approved by the Town Council at the March 21, 2013 meeting)