

Town of Perdido Beach
Council Workshop Meeting
Town Hall – 9212 County Road 97
May 11, 2017 – 6:30pm

The Town Council of the Town of Perdido Beach met in Workshop Meeting on May 11, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the Town Hall with Mayor Kae Hamilton presiding. Mayor Hamilton called the Meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Members Present: Council Members: Mayor Kae Hamilton, Councilman Gary Kiefer, Councilman Steve Love, Councilman Thomas Bloxham, Councilman Andrew Stewart and Councilman Oliver Guilford.

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Marcus McDowell-Town Attorney, Lynn Thompson Town Clerk and Members of the Town.

Invocation: Councilman Guilford

Pledge of Allegiance: Councilman Guilford

Presentations:

Mr. Paul Darnell, P.E. Southern Engineering Solutions answered questions and gave the Town Council an overview of estimated costs involved in resurfacing County Rd 97 beginning at Riggs Street to Magnolia Street.

Public Comments:

- Residents and non residents made comments in favor of and against the proposed boat launch being considered on State Street.
- Residents also voiced comments regarding the fire department gaining clear title of Block 34, Current location of the Perdido Beach Volunteer Fire Dept. - 8450 Escambia Avenue.
 - (Written Comments are on file at Town Hall)

The Town Council discussed business that included:

- **Minutes:** April 13, 2017 Workshop and April 20, 2017 Council Minutes
- **Financials:** April Financial Report
- **Ordinances:**
 - ORDINANCE 2017-____ LEVYING A PRIVILEGE OR LICENSE TAX UPON PERSONS, FIRMS OR CORPORATIONS ENGAGED IN THE BUSINESS OF RENTING OR FURNISHING ROOMS, LODGINGS, OR ACCOMMODATIONS TO TRANSIENTS IN THE TOWN OF PERDIDO BEACH, ALABAMA (Second Reading)
- **Resolutions:**
- **Motions/Requests from the Council:**
 - Councilman Stewart will contact a person who may be able to help the Town locate grants that may be available.
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(Reports are given in Workshop – any recommendations for the Town Council will be added to the Council Meeting Agenda for consideration by the Council and discussed at that time)

Ad Hoc-Alabama Bicentennial Celebration Committee: Chairman Stewart stated that he would contact the new members and set a time for the Committee's Organizational Meeting.
Chair-Councilman Andrew Stewart

Beautification Committee-Chair Mayor Hamilton: No Report

Budget and Finance Committee-Chair Ky LaGrone: Report Attached

Buildings & Grounds Committee-Chair Councilman Tom Bloxham: No Report

Communication Committee-Chair Steve Foster: No Report

Public Safety-Chair Councilman Gary Kiefer: No Report

Public Works-Chair Councilman Oliver Guilford:

Councilman Guilford reported that he had met with Gene's Dozer Service to discuss repairs to the culvert on Hildreth Dr.

• **Council/Legal or Staff Comments:**

Councilman Love submitted a written statement in support of the lodgings tax. (Attached)

• **Public Comments:** (For Discussion and/or Consideration on the next Council Agenda)

- There were no public comments.

Other Business:

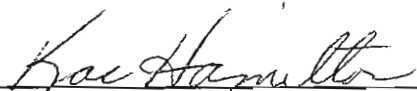
- Nuisance Abatement Ordinance: discussion tabled to next Workshop.

- Mayor Hamilton named the Ad Hoc Bicentennial Committee Members:


Freda Fleming Councilman Andrew Stewart, Ronnie Resmondo, Tommy Resmondo, Crystal Tolbert and Lynn Thompson.

Adjourn:

Being no further business there was a motion by Councilman Love, second by Councilman Bloxham to adjourn. The meeting ended at 8:18 pm.


Kae Hamilton, Mayor

ATTEST:


Lynn Thompson, Town Clerk

Budget and Finance Meeting Report
Town Council Meeting
May 9, 2017

- Committee is continuing to review the various financial reports to ensure expenditures are in line with the budget.
- Storm Water Management plan funding with Volker has been resolved as follows: Total cost of plan \$65,000 Grant reimbursed \$38,475.68 Total cost to Town \$26,524.32. This is \$11,524 more than anticipated due to not having enough in kind service to receive the full \$50,000 grant.

Expenditures and income are where they should be at this time, but this \$11,524 shortfall from the Storm Management Grant will affect our overall budget at end of the year.

It is suggested that expenses be only for budgeted items and necessary maintenance as we still have the expense of paving Escambia. The repurpose of the storage building , and the boat ramp are BP money independent of our operating funds.

Respectfully Submitted,



Steve Love

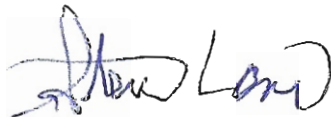
Comments Regarding Lodging Tax

5/11/2017

When our Town was formed it was to control and manage growth and protect the area from unwanted development. This protection is afforded to us at a cost. That cost is the extra layer of government of being a town. For us to have this protection that layer of government has to be funded. Our resources are very limited since the majority want to remain a single family residential community. This Lodging Tax will be a small contribution toward fulfilling that desire. This is a privilege tax which is paid by the user and not the citizens of the town. It is no different than the bed tax you pay on a motel when you stay in other communities. You are paying a small tax for the privilege to stay in that community and use their infrastructure.

I will be voting for this tax as a way to protect our communities viability without extra cost to it's citizens.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Steve Love". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "S" and "L".

Steve Love, Councilman