

Town of Perdido Beach  
Council Workshop Meeting  
Town Hall – 9212 County Road 97  
June 8, 2017 – 6:30pm

The Town Council of the Town of Perdido Beach met in Workshop Meeting on June 6, 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:**

**Public Comments:**

- Mr. Ralph Hargrove – Town Resident, inquired about security and the status of signage possibly being placed at the Escambia water access.

**The Town Council discussed business that included:**

- **Minutes:** May 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Workshop and May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Council Minutes and May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2017 Special Meeting Minutes.
- **Financials:** May Financial Report
- **Ordinances:** None
- **Resolutions:** None
- **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.

***(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:** Did not meet due lack of a quorum.  
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:** Report Attached

**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 on Hildreth Dr.

**Council/Legal or Staff Comments:**

Councilman Love reported that the Town is still working on the resurfacing bid packet. He would also like to discuss signage for no parking in designated areas and signage for appropriate use of the Escambia Access

- **Public Comments:** (For Discussion and/or Consideration on the next Council Agenda)
  - There were no public comments.

**Other Business:**

**Discussions:**

- **NUISANCE ABATEMENT ORDINANCE:**

Clerk would draft a friendly letter to property owners regarding abandoned buildings-unsafe structures for Council approval. Nuisance Abatement Ordinance discussion tabled for further discussion.

- **ACQUISITION OF BLOCK-34,PARK PROPERTY/**

Acquisition of Block-34, Park Property owned by the Town. It is the current location of the Volunteer Fire Dept. Mayor Hamilton will meet with the Fire Department Board and ask them if they are willing to enter into a lease agreement with the Town, based on certain contingencies.

- **PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION RE: USING METAL SHIPPING CONTAINERS AS DWELLINGS:**

Mayor Hamilton spoke with Mike Howell, Baldwin County Building Department. He told her that neither Baldwin County or the City of Orange Beach has yet to receive a request for a building permit for repurposing a metal shipping container for use as a dwelling. Applicants find the construction process cost prohibitive as the building has to meet all Alabama State Building Codes. Currently no need to place a moratorium on repurposing shipping containers to use as dwellings.

- **NO PARKING ORDINANCE:**

The Town has the right to establish and control parking. Further discussion needed.

- **ONE WAY TOWN FACEBOOK PAGE:**

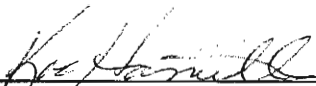
Council agreed that it was a good idea to set up a one way face book page to be used a a tool to better communicate with the citizenry. Councilman Bloxham will set up and manage it.

- **CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER:**

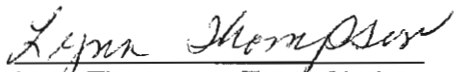
Possible volunteer or employment position, liability to the Town. No Action taken.

**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

## Using Metal Shipping Containers as Dwellings

I spoke with Mike Howell-Baldwin County Building Department.

He informed me that there is currently no code against using cargo containers as dwellings. It is considered an "alternative" method of construction.

Metal is considered a type of construction material.

The containers have to meet the state wind code requirements.

An engineer has to sign off that they have met all the building safety requirements, including smoke detectors and additional egress.

At this point in time he has yet to have anyone come to his office for a permit to proceed with construction.

**From:** WebMaster TOPB [webmaster@townofperdidobeach.org]  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 08, 2017 2:21 PM  
**To:** clerk@townofperdidobeach.org  
**Cc:** Mayor Hamilton  
**Subject:** Communications Committee Report for 06/0817

Lynn,

Here is the communications committee report for the council meeting tonight.

Since email servers have been down for several hours, please let me know that you received this email.

## **Communications Committee Update:**

**Last Meeting: March 22, 2017**

**Next Meeting: June 28, 2017**

### **March Meeting Review:**

Approved previous Months minutes

Welcomed Patti Larsen as secretary

Reviewed Communications Plan, made no revisions.

Established how communications plan revisions would be noted and tracked.

The team decided to meet quarterly unless important issues require earlier meetings.

### **ENews Assistance:**

The Communications team assisted with ENews formatting for the following ENews Deliveries:

May 17, 2017: Planning Commission Public Hearing Notice

May 24, 2017: Perdido Beach VFD Property Chronology