



TOWN OF SURFSIDE BEACH ♦ TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS

June 29, 2010 ♦ 6:30 P.M.

TOWN COUNCIL
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

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11 1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

12 Mayor Deaton called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Mayor Deaton and
13 councilmembers Johnson, Blair, Dodge, Smith, Childs and Samples were present. Staff
14 present: Appointed Interim Administrator, Fellner; Clerk Pinnell; and Finance Treasurer,
15 Hursey.

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17 2. **BUSINESS**

18 *Second Reading Ordinance #10-0686: Adopt 2010/2011 Fiscal Year Budget.*

19 Mayor Deaton stated that council was asked to submit any questions to staff that they had
20 regarding the budget and no questions were submitted.

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22 Mr. Smith made a motion to adopt the fiscal year budget for 2010/2011. Mr. Childs
23 seconded the motion. Mr. Johnson stated that he appreciates everyone coming out adding
24 that that extra week gave him more time to look over the budget. Mr. Johnson stated that
25 eh like other councilmembers could take some things apart, delete some items, add some
26 items but he feels that with his previous experience on council that it is a pretty good
27 budget and it will be a work in progress. Mr. Samples stated that he appreciates Mr.
28 Johnsons comments and also the hard work that staff put in to the budget. Mr. Samples
29 stated that a work in progress is the correct way to characterize it adding that he feels
30 certain that council could identify a number of items in area where the town can save
31 money. Mr. Samples stated that the town will need to see how the season plays out and if
32 the town has bottomed in terms of Accommodations and Hospitality tax. The County
33 will be conducting a reassessment either this year or next year and if market values are
34 any indication of what will happen then the town will see potential reductions in property
35 taxes received under the current millage. Mr. Samples stated that it has been a good job
36 with a good outcome to the point where the town has arrived at but he does feel that
37 council has further work to do during the course of the year. Mayor Deaton stated that he
38 feels the budget has been cut to the bone and if council went any further if would
39 probably undermine the integrity of the operating budget itself. Mayor Deaton stated that
40 he feels that the town is at the line it needs to be at and he feels comfortable in that the
41 town can operate under this budget. Mayor Deaton stated that it is a balanced budget
42 adding that there was a misconception whether the town was balanced or not but the town
43 is balanced; it was also balanced last year as well. Mayor Deaton commended staff on
44 the budget adding that there has been a lot of hard work done on this budget and it is
45 probably the most important thing that council does as council; they set priorities of the
46 budget. Every project and every item that comes through should be prioritized through
47 the budget process. Mayor Deaton thanked staff and council. **All voted in favor.**
48 **MOTION CARRIED.**
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3. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Smith made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Blair seconded the motion. **All present voted in favor. MOTION CARRIED.** The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Approved: July 12, 2010

Sharon Pinnell, Town Clerk

K. Allen Deaton, Mayor

Roderick R. Smith, Town Council

Vicki W. Blair, Town Council

Ann Dodge, Town Council

Douglas F. Samples, Town Council

Mark L Johnson, Town Council

Robert F. Childs, III, Mayor Pro Tempore

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