



TOWN OF HIGHLAND BEACH

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Board of Commissioners' Meeting

Date: October 22, 2022

Attendees: Mayor Sanders and Commissioners Fuller, Murchison, and Secundy. The meeting was called to order at 11:03 a.m.

Citizens' Input

Comments were received from citizens.

Journal Review and Approval

A motion was made by Commissioner Murchison to approve the journal from September 2022. The motion was seconded and carried.

Treasurer's Report

Commissioner Murchison gave the Treasurer's report and stated that the town remains in good standing with total checking of \$337,823.74. Going into a lull in expenditures, but there will be bigger expenses coming in.

Mayor's Report

Mayor confirmed that the permit application for the Living Shoreline Project has been terminated. There are no further actions being taken by the Board of Commissioners.

Sheds have been installed at the Wayman Ave. park. They are well constructed.

Dr. Mary Church Terrell Pavilion. The 1990 Comprehensive Plan indicated that the community wanted to recreate the pavilion that had fallen down a decade before, but there were no funds available. The desire to build a new pavilion was included in the 2020 Comprehensive Plan, which was published for review and comment by residents. No dissenting comments were regarding the pavilion, so the plan moved forward.

The pavilion will measure 30' side to side, and is intended to be an open air facility (like an oversized gazebo). The structure does not lend itself to having a bathroom or air conditioning,

but would provide a place that is covered and screened for tables and food. The community was surveyed and there was overwhelming support. Comments about the bathroom and air conditioning were addressed. The vision is that the pavilion can be used by any citizen at any time. It can also be reserved for a special event, just like the RainScaping Park.

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Commissioner Murchison moved to approve the contract for the Dr. Mary Church Terrell pavilion at a cost of \$118,606.00, which includes all construction costs except for electrical work. The motion was seconded and carried.

The court hearing for the Bruce Ave. lawsuit was held last Monday. In addition to the attorneys, the town was represented by Comm. Secundy (Commissioner of Planning and Zoning), Craig Herndon (Chair of Planning and Zoning Commission), Nat Smith (Chair of the Board of Appeals), and Mayor Sanders. There will be 60-90 days before a decision is received from the judge.

Commissioners' Reports

Commissioner Secundy – No new applications to report.

Commissioner Fuller – No report.

Commissioner Brewington – (in absentia) Working on getting proposals for repair of the Bruce Ave pier. It may be some time before the pier is repaired due to work being backed up.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

There was no new business.

Citizens' Input

The meeting was again opened for citizens' input.

Set next meeting date and adjourn

The next meeting was set for 11 a.m. on Nov. 26, 2022

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lisa Miller Scott, Town Manager