Present upon roll call: Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner Drumm, Commissioner Neal, Vice Mayor Kapper, Mayor Henderson and Attorney Rubinstein.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting, December 11, 2019
Vice Mayor Kapper moved to approve the minutes as stated, seconded by Commissioner Drumm. Roll call: all yes.

RATIFICATION OF BILLS – December 2019/January 2020
Vice Mayor Kapper moved to ratify the bills as listed, second by Commissioner Robinson. Roll call: all yes.

COMMISSION REPORTS

Mayor Henderson
Mayor Henderson spoke of the unfortunate cancellation of the Christmas Boat Parade, but due to safety concerns there was no choice. The committee is meeting to discuss what should be done with the donations collected.

Building Department – all is going well. It has been slow over the holidays.

Gulf Blvd. Beautification – a call has been placed to Duke and the contractors to find out when the poles will be moved, and the new ones placed. This was supposed to be completed by now, but with the holiday’s things are behind schedule.

Mayor Henderson reported there have been an increase in complaints regarding short term rentals in areas where they are not allowed. Mayor Henderson cautioned everyone to do their due diligence before purchasing and stated all information regarding short term rentals is on the town website.

Indian Shores Police Dept. – Captain Smith reported all is quiet.

Vice Mayor Kapper, Commissioner District No 1
Fire/EMS – There were four nonemergency EMS responses with an average response time of four-minutes and seventeen seconds and seventeen emergency responses with an average response time of four-minutes and fifteen seconds.

Vice Mayor Kapper reported plans are being drawn up for the new Fire/EMS building.

Commissioner Neal, Commissioner District No2
Sewer Rehab – slow over the holidays. Commissioner Neal will have a presentation at the workshop meeting on all the work that has been completed to date on the system.

Commissioner Robinson, Commissioner District No 3
Commissioner Robinson reported he has received complaints regarding rental properties in the CTF area that are renting out their homes for corporate events, with anywhere between 50 and over 100 people in attendance. These events take a toll on parking, traffic, ingress and egress into the area, sewers and neighboring properties. Our building official told the applicant that a permit could not be issued as the home was CO’d as a single-family residence. Commissioner Robinson would like to take this matter to the workshop for the commission to discuss how to improve the town’s ordinances to help control. This item will be placed on the next workshop agenda.
Commissioner Drumm, Commissioner District No 4
Gulf Beaches Library - the new flooring is almost complete and the new flooring in the children area will be installed soon.

Commissioner Drumm reported the new sign has been installed at Constitution Park and looks great.

The new AD’s will be ordered soon, and Chief Burford will be training staff and others in CPR and AED.

OLD BUSINESS
Resolution 01-20 – Approving 4-Year Pass Through (Increase) to Residents on Sewer Rates
Attorney Rubenstein read Resolution 01-20 by title. Commissioner Robinson moved to approve Resolution 01-20, seconded by Commissioner Neal. Mayor Henderson asked for any discussion and comment. Commissioner Robinson stated the increases are a pass-through to the residents stemming from Pinellas County increasing the rates to the town. There being no further discussion or comments. Roll call: all yes.

NEW BUSINESS
Town Commission to Sign off as Left Owner for Variance for Dock – 17613 1st Street East
Vice Mayor Kapper moved to approve for the town to sign off, seconded by Commissioner Neal. The commission has done this in the past at another property. The owner of the property was present and thanked the Commission. There being no further discussion. Roll call: all yes.

Approval of Records Disposition Request
Town Clerk Palmer stated this request is to destroy records according to the State of Florida Division of Library Services. Commissioner Robinson moved to approve the request, seconded by Vice Mayor Kapper. Roll call: all yes.

Approval to Purchase Fuel Tank for Truck
Vice Mayor Kapper stated stemming from a safety inspection from our insurance company, the town needs to store gas and diesel in a safer manner. Three bids have been collected to purchase a diesel tank for a town truck and safety cans for regular cans. Northern Tool, $1,259.99; Tractor Supply, $1,367.49 and Grainger, $1,834.83. Vice Mayor Kapper approved the bid from Northern Tool, seconded by Commissioner Neal. Roll call: all yes. The purchase for the fuel tank will be split with North Redington Beach.

Approval to Repair Dock at Del Bello Park
Vice Mayor Kapper stated three bids have been received, Coral Stone, $4,000.00; Edge Marine, $4,300.0 and Decks Docks and Seawalls, $4,900.00. Vice Mayor Kapper moved to award the bid to Coral Stone, seconded by Commissioner Robinson. Commissioner Drumm stated Coral Stone was awarded a prior job for a seawall repair and still has not completed the job, which now it has been over a year. After discussion, Vice Mayor Kapper amended his motion to award the bid to Coral Stone with the condition that the seawall repair be completed within 30-days and the dock work started, if this condition is not met the job will go to Edge Marine Construction for $4,300.00, seconded by Commissioner Robinson. Roll call: all yes.

Approval to Purchase Recycled Bulletin Boards
Vice Mayor Kapper stated four town bulletin boards need to be replaced. Three bids have been received, Alphabet Signs, $2,914.97; Patio Living, $3,760.00 and Recycled Plastic, $10,599.60. Commissioner Neal moved to approve the bid for Alphabet Signs, seconded by Commissioner Robinson. Roll call: all yes. Town Clerk Palmer will submit for a Recycling Grant to help towards the purchase.
PUBLIC COMMENTS
Resident, Bill Krajewski addressed the Commission asking what is going on with the long pier as he has concerns about the pier, specifically under the pier where people are playing, one person even had a hammock tied off to the pilings. Attorney Rubenstein stated there is much litigation going on with the pier and everything is in the hands of the state.

MISCELLANEOUS
Attorney Rubenstein spoke to the Commission regarding their decisions at the last meeting on the two appeals from resident Carol Muscik. The applicant has indicated they may appeal to the courts, so a written decision has been prepared for the Commission to review and Attorney Rubenstein wants to make sure everyone agrees with the written decision. The Commission agreed with the written decision. Commissioner Neal stated he spoke to the Building Official about changing the code regarding swimming pools and would like to have this discussion on the next workshop agenda.

Attorney Rubenstein reported to the Commission that Building Official Cooper has asked for an emergency ordinance pertaining to visibility triangles and placing a moratorium on the erection of any structure, fence, wall, hedge, tree or plantings in any front, secondary front or side yard. The town code does not address a clear definition in the code. This is a health and safety issue. This moratorium will give the Commission 90-days to create an ordinance. Attorney Rubenstein read Ordinance No. 20-01 by title, placing a moratorium as described above. Commissioner Neal moved to adopt Ordinance 20-01, seconded by Commissioner Drumm. Roll call: all yes.

Mayor Henderson announced the following dates:
Workshop Meeting – Wednesday, January 29, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.
Regular Meeting – Wednesday, February 12, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary F. Palmer, MMC
Town Clerk/Treasurer