

**MINUTES
FORT MYERS BEACH
PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE
Town Hall
2525 Estero Boulevard
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931**

Tuesday, August 17, 2021

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Goggin.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

Members present: Mike Childs, Heidi Jungwirth, John Goggin, Tom Gressman and Jim Knickle.
Excused: Dawn Thomas.
Absent: Suzanne Bahan
Staff: Administrative Officer Randy Paniagua.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 20, 2021, and July 26, 2021

MOTION: PSC Member Jungwirth moved to approve the July 20, 2021, minutes; second by PSC Member Gressman

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

MOTION: PSC Member Jungwirth moved to approve the July 26, 2021 minutes as amended; second by PSC Member Gressman

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

V. PUBLIC COMMENT – no public comment.

VI. LCSO AND FMBFD MONTHLY UPDATES

Scott Wirth, Fire Department representative has provided July updates: 10 calls a day average:70% Ems, 30% uneventful fire. Covid policy: wear masks at stations. PSC member Gressman asked if the house on South Street that had a fire, is salvageable. Mr. Wirth stated that investigation is ongoing to learn if structure is sound. Fire cause was turned over to code enforcement for structural stability. Chair Goggin stated the Sheriff's representative might not make the meeting.

VII. STATUS OF CODE BLUE QUOTES EMERGENCY COMMUNICATION FOR BAY RD. SHELTER

Chair Goggin noted the cost was approximately \$9,500.00, which included installation. Maintenance was not included in the quote, but Administrative Officer Paniagua will contact the vendor. Chair Goggin requested that the cost be included in the FY20-21 budget, including the maintenance costs. He will compose a letter with the final figure and send it to Town Council.

VIII. MPO MEETING UPDATES – no update.

IX. SIDEWALK MARKINGS AND BIKE SIGNAGE UPDATE – no update.

X. FEASIBILITY OF PARKING APPLICATION

Administrative Officer Paniagua reported that he contacted a couple of vendors who utilized apps that could be integrated with the town’s passport app. He stated that he expected an email with details from one vendor today and he will forward the information to PSC. He indicated that one company required underground sensors and another installed sensors on the existing posts. Chair Goggin described previous attempts to address parking. He clarified that they were looking for parking availability that included metered parking, under the bridge parking and private parking. PSC Member Jungwirth questioned numbering parking lots and adding signs to indicate whether the lot is full. PSC Member Gressman suggested installing red and green lights. Discussion was held regarding reserved, pre-paid parking.

Administrative Officer Paniagua will forward all information from vendors to PSC.

XI. PUBLIC SAFETY SURVEY UPDATES FROM REPORT TO COUNCIL

Chair Goggin stated that the report included comments from Town Council in red. He noted that no one commented on community policing. Regarding pedestrian safety, Council Member Allers remarked that they were working with the county. The paint was too slick when wet and they were investigating options. Chair Goggin noted that Council supported the bike safety day with the Sheriff and Fire Departments and there were funds in the budget to cover the event. He will contact the Town Attorney regarding a legal opinion on state law requiring bells and lights on rental bicycles. He commented that Mayor Murphy requested that PSC contact Sanibel regarding hiring people to navigate pedestrians to crosswalks. PSC Member Jungwirth will contact Sanibel for details.

Chair Goggin brought up a joint meeting with entities concerning the homeless population. Vice Mayor Hosafros stated that a group already met, and Chair Goggin will attend their meeting and bring information back to PSC. He commented that he did not get much of a response from Council regarding the section concerning Town Lighting.

XII. PUBLIC COMMENT – no public comment.

XIII. MEMBER ITEMS – no items.

XIV. SET NEXT MEETING AGENDA – parking app, list of shelters, the homeless and Sanibel pedestrian program.

XV. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: PSC Member Gressman moved to adjourn; second by PSC Member Jungwirth.

VOTE: Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Adopted 9/21/21 with/without changes. Motion by Tom
(DATE)

Vote: [Signature] Signature: [Signature]

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