



**TOWN OF BELLEAIR SHORE
TOWN MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 21ST, 2026 – FOLLOWING AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING
CITY OF BELLEAIR BLUFFS CONFERENCE ROOM
2747 SUNSET BLVD, BELLEAIR BLUFFS, FL 33770
MINUTES**

Present, Commissioner Tolbert, Commissioner Cain, Vice Mayor Storie, Mayor Blume and Attorney Lewis. Absent, Commissioner Lally.

Consideration to Approve Agenda

Commissioner Cain moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Commissioner Tolbert. The voice vote was unanimous.

Comments from the Public on any Agenda Item (3) THREE MINUTES

None

Approval of Meeting Minutes – June 16, 2026, Regular Meeting

Commissioner Tolbert moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Cain. The voice vote was unanimous.

Sheriff's Report

Corporal Short reviewed the June report with the commission – There were 241 events in Belleair Shore with 243 units responding. There were no accidents and no arrests.

Code Enforcement Report

Deputy Trump reported for June – 40 entries were logged. Five property follow ups were completed, with three being closed. As requested, trespass issues have been approved to be added to the reports. Deputy Trump reported shift changes are happening, and he will personally get with all new deputies to go over things pertaining to Belleair Shore. Deputy Trump reported he worked the Off Duty Detail for July 4th, and it was busy.

Suncoast Fire Report

Chief Grimes reported he has prepared a Board Orientation Handbook for Commissioners to help understand who the district is and how it fits into the

countywide Fire and EMS system. Capital Projects are ongoing and they received approval from Pinellas County for the Tiki site for a new station.

Treasurers Report – June 2026

Town Clerk Palmer reviewed the report with the commission, noting nothing out of the ordinary. Commissioner Tolbert moved to approve the report, seconded by Commissioner Cain. The voice vote was unanimous.

Counsel Report

Attorney Lewis stated he will be finishing the legislation report for the commission and will report next month.

Discussion of Erosion Control Line Petition Denial

Attorney Lewis reported the petition was denied and he sent the commissioners the order of denial and extension request was approved. The extension is until August 7th. At this point, the commissioners need to decide whether they would like to petition for an Administrative Hearing. If the commissioners approve the Administrative Hearing Attorney Lewis suggest they hire an outside attorney who handles this type of law. Attorney Lewis also reported he has reached out to other attorneys seeking quotes. Commissioner Tolbert asked what would be involved in the hearing, Attorney Lewis stated he was not sure. The commission discussed the options. After discussion Vice Mayor Storie moved to proceed with filing the appeal, seconded by Commissioner Tolbert. The voice vote was unanimous. Vice Mayor Storie moved to appoint Mayor Blume to review and appoint the law firm, seconded by Commissioner Cain. The voice vote was unanimous.

Approve FY 2026/2027 Proposed Millage Rate and Advalorem Tax and FY 2026/2027 Proposed Budget

The commission held a workshop prior to the meeting discussing the proposed millage rate. Vice Mayor Storie moved to approve the proposed millage rate at .9354, seconded by Commissioner Tolbert. The voice vote was unanimous. Commissioner Tolbert moved to approve the proposed budget, seconded by Commissioner Cain. The voice vote was unanimous.

Approve FY 2026/2027 Law Enforcement/Code Enforcement Services – Pinellas County Sheriff's Department

Commissioner Tolbert moved to approve the FY 2026/2027 contract, seconded by Commissioner Cain. The voice vote was unanimous.

Approve to Renew Interlocal Agreement with Forward Pinellas

Commissioner Cain moved to approve the renewal of the existing agreement, seconded by Commissioner Tolbert. The voice vote was unanimous.

Approve Contract Extension with Waste Connections

Commissioner Tolbert moved to approve the extension, seconded by Commissioner Cain. The voice vote was unanimous.

Approve Contract Renewal with Civic Plus

Vice Mayor Storie moved to approve the renewal contracts, seconded by Commissioner Tolbert. The voice vote was unanimous.

Mayor/Commissioner Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Mayor Blume asked what the town ordinance has regarding short term rentals. Attorney Lewis will investigate this.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items – (3) THREE MINUTES

Frank Bankard, resident of Belleair Beach stated Indian Rocks Beach are for 90-days.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary Palmer".

Mary Palmer, MMC
Town Clerk