

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF BELLEAIR BEACH**

Tuesday, March 11, 2008 4:00 PM

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lynn Rives followed by a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Roll Call: Present were Councilmembers Dick Crowl, Mitch Krach, Mary Schoonover and Stan Sofer; Vice Mayor Kathy Mortensen, Mayor Lynn Rives, City Manager Nancy McCollum and City Clerk Patricia Gentry. Councilmember Rob Baldwin and City Attorney Paul Marino were unable to attend.

Consent Agenda:

- 1. Consideration of City Council approval to make purchases necessary to complete the Morgan Street Park Improvement Project in an amount not to exceed \$24,187.00.**

Mayor Rives advised of a change to the Agenda; the first item on the Staff Report under the title 'Discussion' - 'Electrical Service Installation for Restroom' with the Recommendation now being to use All Electric in an amount not to exceed \$6,000.00. City Manager McCollum will check the cost for the 100 amp service that is needed, as opposed to the 150 amp service quoted by All Electric.

Motion was made by Vice Mayor Mortensen and seconded by Vice Mayor Sofer to approve the Agenda as amended.

Councilmember Schoonover raised the issue of planting self-sustaining, naturally-occurring, habitat-friendly plantings, which require less maintenance and water, hold the sand and slow erosion, instead of sod.

Councilmember Sofer supported the idea of grass with the proper irrigation.

Further discussion regarding plantings and irrigation followed.

MOTION passed 6-0.

Adjournment

MOTION was made by Councilmember Krach and seconded by Councilmember Crowl to Adjourn.

Motion passed 6-0.

Date Approved

Lynn Rives, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia A. Gentry, City Clerk