

## CITY OF TYBEE PARKING COMMITTEE

MINUTES: APRIL 30, 2010

### ATTENDEES:

Council representatives: Wanda Doyle, Bill Garbett, Paul Wolff

Staff representatives: Diane Schleicher, Mary Hogan, Jonathan Lynn, Chantel Morton, Pete Ryerson, Joe Wilson

### 1. NEW BUSINESS

Paul nominated Bill as Chairman of the City of Tybee Parking Committee. Wanda approved. The vote was unanimous.

Diane reviewed the misuse of parking decals such as trailer decals being given to friends. This makes it hard for Parking Services to follow. The suggestion was made to invest in a different shaped decal for trailers to make them non transferable. The committee felt this was not a solution.

### 2. REVIEW PROPOSED DECAL ORDINANCES

Ordinance 2-2007 was reviewed. Paul suggested that the third sentence of Section 66-181 exclude the word "only" following motorcycles. All agreed. Paul suggested that Section 66-182 include information about the placement of decals on motorcycles. Joe and Pete confirmed the location is on the right side fork. All agreed to add "Decal shall be displayed on the right side fork of all motorcycles" to Section 66-182.

Discussion ensued about Section 66-184. The committee decided that the second sentence should pertain to the person in possession of the decal. Bill suggested the citation, which includes payment of a fine equal to the then current parking decal price, should be \$35 instead of \$20. All agreed. Paul suggested that the last sentence read "The offending party shall lose parking decal privileges for the remainder of the decal period." All agreed.

Ordinance 11-2010 was reviewed. Changes to Section 66-185 were discussed. Paul requested trailers, recreational vehicles and boat trailers be stricken from the first sentence. All agreed. Discussions ensued regarding detached trailers parking in spaces and city right of way. Diane confirmed she has discussed this issue with Robert McCall at the Department of Transportation. Paul suggested that this section include "A trailer attached to a decaled vehicle may park for no more than 24 hours in a designated parking space. Trailers may not be detached and or left unattended in a designated space or in the City right-of-way." All agreed. Diane will send all revisions to Bubba for correct verbiage and they will come back to the committee.

Joe explained issues with people parking on the City right-of-way in regards to difficulties for DPW to mow and concern with public safety. Pete confirmed he would like clarification for parking in City right-of-ways. He noted that individuals are putting fences and or plants in the right-of-way in order to prevent people from parking. Joe asked that the committee determine City right-of-way. There was discussion about allowing decal parking in the City right-of-way specifically near South Beach and near Meddin. Mary confirmed she is keeping a list of areas that are City right-of-way and have private signs posted directing people not to park. The committee is to tell Mary of these areas as they notice them. Bill suggested taking pictures to document and Mary said that would be helpful. Bill asked staff to look into the right-of-ways and determine guidelines. Diane will ask Bubba to define the law about allowing or not allowing people to park in City right-of-way.

### **3. OLD BUSINESS**

Bill asked for clarification of how many spaces are currently available for parking. Jonathan confirmed 51 spaces have been added, but spaces throughout the island have been lost due to construction, people adding driveways and the recent changes to the Tybee Market parking lot. Mary said that Pete and his staff have been tracking parking spaces and currently there are approximately 1800 to 2000 physical designated marked spaces. Bill asked if parking spaces show on the GIS system. Jonathan confirmed they do not right now. Bill suggested this is a tool we can use in the future and it can be updated in first quarter.

Mary confirmed she is in the process of figuring out how many spaces we actually need versus how many we currently have available. These figures also include resident parking which relates back to the City right-of-way.

Diane remarked that the number of available parking spaces is important for Beach Renourishment funding. The CORE needs to see that the island has adequate public access to the beach.

Wanda asked about the phone number on the Pay and Display stations. She received communication that during Easter weekend a visitor called the number and no one answered. She asked which department has extension 121. Pete confirmed that is the Parking Service Division extension. He explained that if someone calls during regular City Hall hours and speaks directly with the Cashier, the cashier uses a radio to call Parking staff out in the field. If someone calls the Parking Service Division office and no one is available, people leave a message and they return calls when they return to the office. Pete explained that he was working during Easter and it had rained which can cause the paper being dispensed at the stations to not work properly. Diane asked that their extension roll over to Pete's cell number. Chantel expressed concern that people call at all times. Diane confirmed it would only be during certain times.

Wanda gave an update about meetings she has had with individuals involved with the Business Alliance regarding parking. She said that they want the private parking permits fast tracked. At a meeting they met with Old Savannah Tours regarding shuttling people around the island. She said Amy Gaster reported that when she was running the on island shuttle previously it did not make any money and there were twelve stops. Wanda confirmed she would communicate with those involved with the Alliance regarding parking in order to avoid confusion. Bill suggested we keep the option of having CAT service for the island open.

### **4. REVIEW STATUS OF METERING MEMORIAL PARK**

Pete confirmed that a work order has been done for concrete to be poured and it should be done within a week. The grounds need to be surveyed. He said the Pay and Display machine will be located near the restrooms in Memorial Park. They are reusing old machines as available. Signage is currently being considered for the interior of the park and along Jones. Bill requested that parallel parking along Jones be pursued. Pete is working to decide how parking should be done optimally in the Park. Diane commented that delineating spaces can be problematic. She suggested roping off areas, but that it may create more issues than solutions.

The committee discussed when they would have regular meetings. All agreed to meet the second Wednesday of each month 9am until 10am.