

**BUSINESS MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
April 23, 2013**

The Business Meeting of Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at 7:00 p.m., in City Hall, City Council Chambers, 9199 - 113th Street North, Seminole, Florida.

Mayor Waters called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilor Quinn provided the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present were: Councilor John Counts; Vice Mayor Thomas Barnhorn; Councilor Christopher Burke; Councilor Patricia Plantamura; Councilor James Quinn; Councilor Bob Matthews; Mayor Leslie Waters; City Attorney John Elias; City Manager Frank Edmunds and City Clerk Rose Benoit.

INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

- Mayor Waters welcomed Boy Scout, Caleb Nagel attending the Council meeting to earn the Citizenship in Your Community merit badge.
- Arbor Day Proclamation read by Councilor Plantamura and presented to Jeremy Hockenbury, Director of Public Works.
- Municipal Clerks Week Proclamation read by Mayor Waters and presented to Rose Benoit, City Clerk.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES –BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES ON APRIL 9, 2013:

Motion made by Councilor Burke seconded by Councilor Quinn to approve business meeting minutes on April 9, 2013.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING. CONSIDER A SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 04-2013 AMENDING THE BUDGET TO RECOGNIZE ADDITIONAL REVENUE OF \$176,215 FROM THE CITY'S FUND BALANCE.

City Clerk Benoit read Ordinance No. 04-2013 by title only. Mayor Waters recognize City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds explained that this ordinance is to allocate last year's fund balance of \$176,215. Mayor Waters opened the Public Hearing. Receiving no Public Comments, the Public Hearing was closed. Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Burke to adopt Ordinance No. 04-2013 on second and final reading.

Roll Call

Councilor Counts	AYE
Vice Mayor Barnhorn	AYE
Councilor Burke	AYE
Councilor Plantamura	AYE
Councilor Quinn	AYE
Councilor Matthews	AYE
Mayor Waters	AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. **CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING. CONSIDER A SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 03-2013 REGARDING A VOLUNTARY ANNEXATION OF PROPERTIES LOCATED AT 12157 AND 12152 – 97TH AVENUE.**

City Clerk Benoit read Ordinance No. 03-2013 by title only. Mayor Waters recognize City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds explained the two voluntary annexations are directly opposite each other and included in one ordinance. Mayor Waters opened the Public Hearing. Receiving no Public Comments, the Public Hearing was closed. Motion made by Vice Mayor Barnhorn, seconded by Councilor Burke to adopt Ordinance No. 03-2013 on second and final reading.

Roll Call

Councilor Counts	AYE
Vice Mayor Barnhorn	AYE
Councilor Burke	AYE
Councilor Plantamura	AYE
Councilor Quinn	AYE
Councilor Matthews	AYE
Mayor Waters	AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. **CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE PLAT FOR THE BAY PINES PROJECT.**

Mayor Waters recognize City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds explained that the recording requirements are for the plat to be signed by Mayor Waters. Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Vice Mayor Barnhorn to approve the plat for the Bay Pines project and authorize the Mayor to sign the plat for recording.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. **CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND CIP FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$10,000 FOR THE HVAC RETURN AIR IMPROVEMENTS AT THE RECREATION CENTER.**

Mayor Waters recognize City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds explained that this is part of continuing efforts to try to have the mechanical systems as efficient as possible at the Recreation Center. Motion made by Councilor Burke, seconded by Vice Mayor Barnhorn to authorize the City Manager to expend CIP funds not to exceed \$10,000 for the HVAC return air improvements at the Seminole Recreation Center.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. **CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A ONE-TIME INCREASE OF \$2500 TO VICE MAYOR BARNHORN'S TRAVEL AND TRAINING ACCOUNT FROM THE CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT.**

Mayor Waters recognize City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds explained that this was a request by Vice Mayor Barnhorn at the April 9, 2013 business workshop, for expenses he has and will incur with his activities with the Florida League of Cities. Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Plantamura to approve a one-time increase to Vice Mayor Barnhorn's Travel and Training account in the amount of \$2,500 to be drawn from the contingency account.

Mayor Waters called for a voice vote.

VOTE MOTION PASSED. 6 AYES TO 2 NAYS (Mayor Waters and Councilor Burke).

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A ONE-TIME INCREASE OF \$2500 TO COUNCILOR PLANTAMURA'S TRAVEL AND TRAINING ACCOUNT FROM THE CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT.

Mayor Waters recognize City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds explained that this is a similar request to Vice Mayor Barnhorn's request. He stated that Councilor Plantamura represents the city at numerous National League of Cities activities, as either a committee member and/or representative of the community. Motion made by Councilor Matthews, seconded by Councilor Quinn to approve a one-time increase to Councilor Plantamura's Travel and Training account in the amount of \$2,500 to be drawn from the contingency account.

Mayor Waters called for a voice vote.

VOTE MOTION PASSED. 6 AYES TO 2 NAYS (Mayor Waters and Councilor Burke).

9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilor Counts indicated he did not have a report.

Vice Mayor Barnhorn attended the Pinellas County Budget Forum; helped with the Kiwanis "Every Child a Swimmer Program"; attended the SPC Entrepreneurship Program in the Dignitorium; attended the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting of American Woman Fitness Center; attended the annual Council Retreat; spoke with Senator Nelson's staff on the city's stance regarding the Market Place Fairness Act and attended the opening of WM Recycle Education Station Tampa Bay on Earth Day.

Councilor Burke indicated he did not have a report.

Councilor Plantamura continued her report on her travel to the National League of Cities Congressional City Conference in Washington D.C. She named three key priorities of the National League of Cities Conference; protection of municipal bonds, immigration reform and internet sales tax collections. She provided details of the National League of Cities discussions on the Market Place Fairness Act. She spoke about discussions at the National League of Cities on providing more access to public transportation, gun control violence, the Affordable Care Act and the CBG Grant Act.

Councilor Quinn called the office of Senator Laval and Senator Brandes to inform them that he does not support Senator Diaz de la Portilla's Amendment #771938. This amendment does not allow cities to negotiate with the unions for a fair and balanced pension fund. He attended the Pinellas County Budget Forum; a reception for new members at the Seminole Chamber; attended the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting of American Woman Fitness Center on Bay Pines Blvd; attended the annual Council Retreat and the opening of WM Recycle Education Station Tampa Bay on Earth Day.

Councilor Matthews attended a Pinellas County class on how to protect Florida water quality and stated that a Pinellas County representative was available to provide a presentation to the city's residents. He asked if council would agree to have a presentation.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Barnhorn, seconded by Councilor Burke to invite the Pinellas County Representative to provide a presentation.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mayor Waters volunteered for PARC at the Annual Tampa Bay Blues; attended the Seminole Lake Presbyterian "Community Spring Market"; attended the CPR class at the Seminole Recreation Center provided by Brad Dykins; performed the duties of Judge at Cypress Palms in Largo for a senior citizen "Hat Parade" competition; attended the SPC Entrepreneurship Program in the Digitorium; hosted a Seminole Mayors' "For A Better Seminole" Luncheon that included former Mayors Dottie Reeder and Jimmy Johnson to discuss their vision for Seminole; attended the Grand Opening and Ribbon Cutting of American Woman Fitness Center on Bay Pines Blvd and attended the annual Council Retreat at the Seminole Library, 8- Noon.

10. CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

May Meetings/Events Schedule; Fire Department sponsored Blood Drive, Friday May 3rd from 7:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m., Recreation Center's Open House from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Registration for Summer Camp is now open at the Recreation Center.

11. OLD BUSINESS:

None.

12. NEW BUSINESS:

Mayor Waters recognize City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds refer to the property lien search information provided by City Clerk Benoit (handout included). He explained practices of Lien Search companies for liens/code violations and permits requests. He explained why he is requesting that council authorize the city's administration to begin charging a fee of \$25.00 per lien request and \$50.00 should the lien request be required within 24 hours. City Manager Edmunds stated he would like to implement these charges by May 1, 2013.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Barnhorn, seconded by Councilor Matthews that based on the information supplied by the Clerk on what other cities are charging, that Council would honor the City Manager's request and begin charging \$25.00 per searches and \$50.00 should the lien request be required within 24 hours. Effective May 1, 2013.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Seminole Historical Society Meeting on April 24, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the Recreation Center.

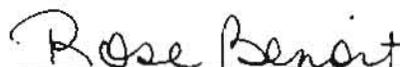
St. Petersburg College Digital Arts Award Program/Seminole Campus Digitorium on April 23; participants competed in the event, held at SPC's Seminole Campus, in categories ranging from direction and video to song and video game creation.

13. CONSIDER A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Vice Mayor Barnhorn to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Date Approved: **May 14, 2013**


Minutes prepared by Rose Benoit, City Clerk


Leslie Waters, Mayor