

**BUSINESS MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
January 14, 2014**

The Business Meeting of Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, January 14, 2014 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 Matthews provided the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

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

INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

City Manager Edmunds introduced the new Seminole Fire Chief, Heather Burford. Fire Chief Burford said that she is pleased to be the newly appointed Chief of Seminole Fire Rescue. She stated that with 23 years of service in the American Fire Service, she now finds herself leading an organization known for its skills and passionate providers. "It is not by chance that she is here", she said, but rather by hard work and a desire to serve this community in particular.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - REVISED BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 26, 2013,

Motion made by Councilor Burke seconded by Councilor Quinn to approve revised business meeting minutes on November 26, 2013.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 10, 2013,

Motion made by Councilor Quinn seconded by Councilor Burke to approve business meeting minutes on December 10, 2013.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 10, 2013,

Motion made by Councilor Matthews seconded by Councilor Quinn to approve workshop meeting minutes on December 10, 2013.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 17, 2013,

Motion made by Councilor Quinn seconded by Councilor Burke to approve business meeting minutes on December 17, 2013.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING. CONSIDER A SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 14-2013 REGARDING FUND BALANCE ALLOCATIONS.

City Clerk Benoit read Ordinance No. 14-2013 by title only. Mayor Waters recognized City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds stated that the estimated fund balance for FY14 is \$294,100. The allocation of the funds is in accordance to council goals. Mayor Waters opened the Public Hearing. Receiving no other Public Comments, the Public Hearing was closed. Motion made by Councilor Matthews, seconded by Councilor Quinn to adopt Ordinance No. 14-2013 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. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF REVISED RESOLUTION NO. 14-2013 REGARDING DUKE ENERGY.

City Clerk Benoit read revised Resolution No. 14-2013 by title only. Mayor Waters recognized City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds said that revised Resolution No. 14-2013 was approved during the December 10, 2013 business meeting, but that prior to distributing, required minor language changes were made. Intent and purpose of revised Resolution No 14-2013 remains the same. Motion made by Councilor Burke seconded by Councilor Quinn to adopt revised Resolution No. 14-2013.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND CONTINGENCY FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000.00 FOR THE DEMOLITION OF AN UNSAFE STRUCTURE LOCATED AT 10148 – 66TH AVENUE.

Mayor Waters recognized City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds stated this is an unusual step on the city's behalf; however the property has fallen into disrepair. He stated that the property has become a safety concern. Motion made by Councilor Quinn seconded by Councilor Matthews to approve the expenditure not to exceed \$6,000.00 from the contingency account for the demolition of the unsafe structure located at 10148 – 66th Avenue.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. CONSIDER AN APPOINTMENT OF A CITY REPRESENTATIVE TO THE PINELLAS COUNTY COLLABORATIVE EFFORT REGARDING CHANGES TO THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM.

Mayor Waters recognized City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds referenced letter received from Pinellas County Chairman, Kenneth Welch and Chair-Elect Karen Seel. The letter indicates their plan to establish a collaborative effort with all Pinellas County municipalities to address the changes to the National Flood Insurance Program. Motion made by Councilor Matthews seconded by Councilor Quinn to appoint Vice Mayor Barnhorn as the City of Seminole's representative for the Pinellas County collaborative effort regarding changes to the National Flood Insurance Program.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. CONSIDER A RE-APPOINTMENT OF MR. ROBERT HUTTICK TO THE TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR A THREE YEAR TERM.

Mayor Waters recognized City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds stated that this item and the next are two re-appointments to the Tree Advisory Committee. He stated that both individuals are active in the committee and demonstrate sincere interest in committee activities.

Motion made by Councilor Quinn seconded by Councilor Matthews to re-appoint Mr. Robert Huttick to the Tree Advisory Committee for a three (3) year term that will expire January 25, 2017.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. CONSIDER A RE-APPOINTMENT OF MS. MARY ANN KIRK TO THE TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR A THREE YEAR TERM.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Barnhorn seconded by Councilor Burke to re-appoint Ms. Mary Ann Kirk to the Tree Advisory Committee for a three (3) year term that will expire January 25, 2017.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilor Counts indicated he did not have a report.

Vice Mayor Barnhorn toured Fire Station 30, attended the Seminole Chamber Christmas party and attended a Seminole Chamber free of charge workshop opened to all businesses in the community.

Councilor Burke indicated he did not have a report.

Councilor Plantamura indicated she did not have a report.

Councilor Quinn attended the KB Homes ribbon cutting at Bay Pines.

Councilor Matthews indicated he did not have a report.

Mayor Waters indicated that she submitted her report to City Clerk Benoit.

10. CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

- Community policing report provided by Corporal DiFrancesco.
- City Council Goals Update as established by Council
- Community Development Activities Update
- Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Report
- 2014 Charter Review

11. OLD BUSINESS:

Councilor Quinn stated that due to an event that occurred at the last council meeting in 2013, he was going to make a comment which he hoped would not offend anyone on the dais. He said he hoped it would serve as a reminder of elected official's commitment. He stated that the council operates as a non-partisan body. Elected by the voters of the City of Seminole in a non partisan election and chosen because the voters believed they were the best choices to represent the city and its residents. He asked that council continue to work together without the rancor that goes on in Washington, D.C. and Tallahassee.

12. **NEW BUSINESS:**

Councilor Burke asked if the boat, in the area called Hurricane Hole, will ever be removed. City Manager Edmunds responded by saying that the project was in cooperation with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office and that he would inquire about status of the boat in Hurricane Hole.

Mayor Waters' reminders of events in the City:

- Seminole Historical Society meeting on Wednesday, January 16th, 7 p.m. at the Recreation Center.
- A state issued effort led by Mayor Bradbury from City of Pinellas Park to add Congressman Bill C. Young's name to Park Blvd. street signs as they are replaced. She requested that any opinions on this issue should be brought to her or City Manager Edmunds. She said that perhaps a resolution can be put forth and voted on by council.
- Provided information on the "If I were elected Mayor" essay contest for 7th graders.
- Announced that the city's 6th annual canned food drive will take place all year long in 2014. Goal is to collect 18,739 items.
- Special Tribute Presentation – "Patrick Smith's Florida is A Land Remembered".

13. **CONSIDER A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT:**

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

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Date Approved: **JANUARY 28, 2014**



Minutes prepared by Rose Benoit, City Clerk


Mayor Leslie Waters