

**BUSINESS MINUTES  
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL  
February 11, 2014**

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The Business Meeting of Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, February 11, 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. Mayor Waters provided the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL:**

Present were: Councilor John Counts; 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. Vice Mayor Thomas Barnhorn was not present.

**INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

- Mr. Ricky Butler, a student at the Institute for Strategic Policy Solutions at St. Petersburg College/Seminole Campus made a presentation on Agenda Item No. 3 - Resolution No. 01-2014- establishing a stormwater level of service standard for public drainage facilities.
- Mr. Robert Davis, President of the Seminole High School Class of 1965, made a presentation of a proposed event called the Warhawk Golden Jamboree.

**1. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

None.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – WORKSHOP I MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 28, 2014,**

Motion made by Councilor Burke seconded by Councilor Quinn to approve workshop I business meeting minutes on January 28, 2014.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 28, 2014,**

Motion made by Councilor Matthews seconded by Councilor Quinn to approve business meeting minutes on January 28, 2014.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 28, 2014,**

Motion made by Councilor Burke seconded by Councilor Quinn to approve business meeting minutes on January 28, 2014.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 01-2014 ESTABLISHING A STORMWATER LEVEL OF SERVICE STANDARD FOR PUBLIC DRAINAGE FACILITIES.**

City Clerk Benoit read Resolution No. 01-2014 by title only. Mayor Waters recognized City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds stated that it is important to establish the level of service for drainage issues and drainage concerns. Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Burke to adopt Resolution No. 01-2014.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**6. CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AN ENGAGEMENT CONTRACT WITH ROADTRIP PRODUCTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1200.00 FOR SOUND AND LIGHTING FOR THE 2014 POW WOW FESTIVAL.**

Mayor Waters recognized City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds stated that he supports this vendor. He said that the vendor provided a high level of service during the city's Music in the Park event. Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Burke to authorize the City Manager to execute the sound and light contracts with the 2014 Pow Wow Festival musical groups in the amount of \$1,200.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**7. CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE THE RELEASE, WAIVER AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT WITH SEMINOLE MALL FOR THE 2014 POW WOW FESTIVAL PARADE.**

Mayor Waters recognized City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds requested that this item be tabled since it is not ready for final council action. Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Matthews to table this item.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO TABLE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**8. CONSIDER A DONATION REQUEST FROM THE CROSS BAYOU LITTLE LEAGUE PROGRAM.**

Mayor Waters recognized City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds stated that a similar request was received last year. He said that as indicated on the letter of request, this year, the Little League suffered a lost due to vandalism. Motion made by Councilor Matthews, seconded by Councilor Quinn to authorize a \$500.00 donation to the Cross Bayou Little League from the contingency fund.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**9. CONSIDER THE APPOINTMENT OF MS. PHYLLIS SCHAEFER TO A THREE YEAR TERM TO THE TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**

Mayor Waters recognized City Manager Edmunds. City Manager Edmunds stated that Ms. Schaefer previously served on the Tree Advisory Committee and has a true interest on participating on the committee again. Motion made by Councilor Burke, seconded by Councilor Quinn to appoint Mrs. Phyllis Schaefer to the Tree Advisory Committee for a three (3) year term to expire February 11, 2017.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**10. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Councilor Counts indicated he did not have a report.

Councilor Burke expressed his appreciation to Fire Chief Burford and surrounding agency fire departments for their help with Lieutenant Vento's funeral.

Councilor Plantamura indicated she did not have a report.

Councilor Quinn attended the Congressional Candidates Debate at St. Petersburg College, Seminole Campus, the monthly meeting of the Sheriff's Advisory Board, the funeral service for Lieutenant Frank Vento and the City of Seminole Fire Rescue Open House Day at Fire Station 29.

Councilor Matthews expressed that he was proud of the funeral presentation for Lieutenant Vento. He attended the City of Seminole Fire Rescue Open House Day at Fire Station 29.

Mayor Waters attended the City of Seminole Fire Rescue Open House Day at Fire Station 29 and thanked Councilor Matthews for bringing his popcorn machine. She said that the funeral for Lieutenant Vento was very nice. She attended "Clyde Butcher: Preserving Eden," at St. Petersburg College, Institute for Strategic Policy Solutions, the Pinellas County Mayors Council meeting, the Memorial for Frank Vento and the Annual Seminole Fire Fighter's Open House at Fire Station No. 29.

**11. CITY MANAGER REPORTS:**

Community policing report provided by Corporal DiFrancesco. Corporal DiFrancesco formally introduced Deputy Tom Festa as the new Community Policing Officer for the City of Seminole.

**12. OLD BUSINESS:**

- Mayor Waters mentioned the city's 6<sup>th</sup> annual year-long canned food drive. The goal is to collect 18,739 items.

**13. NEW BUSINESS:**

Councilor Matthews mentioned that Mayor Waters will be honored at the Girl Scouts of West Central Florida's "Women of Distinction" Luncheon on March 18, 2014. He said that he thinks it is appropriate for the city to sponsor a table at the event. Motion made by Councilor Matthews, seconded by Councilor Quinn to authorize a \$2,500 sponsorship to be drawn from the Mayor's travel and training account for the Girl Scouts of West Central.

Mayor Waters provided further details on the Women of Distinction Award Program.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Councilor Burke referred to a story in the newspaper indicating that the City of Largo has an issue with the number of requests for annexation and the lack of staff on hand to process them. He asked if the City of Seminole is having the same issue.

City Manager Edmunds indicated that the city welcomes voluntary annexations, but that unlike the City of Largo, the city does not have that issue.

Councilor Plantamura asked if a formal annexations policy will be forthcoming soon.

City Manager Edmunds indicated that an annexation policy was one of the goals set by council.

Councilor Burke said that a citizen requested attention to graffiti on the Pinellas County Trail at the Seminole City Park.

City Manager Edmunds indicated that attention was given to the graffiti on the trail. He said that this was new graffiti.

Councilor Burke asked that for any future grant requests by an agency, for the city to request from the agency, a list of names of city residents that benefit from requested grants.

Mayor Waters provided details on a letter she received from the Florida League of Cities regarding the Biggert's Waters Flood Insurance Legislation.

Mayor Waters said that Seminole Elementary School is going to be 100 years old next year. Seminole Elementary School was established in 1915. She said that City Manager Edmunds is in contact with Pinellas County School Board, to find ways the city can assist with the historical significance of the windows that face Park Blvd.

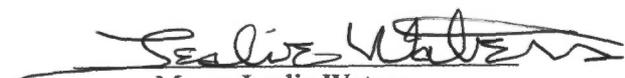
**14. CONSIDER A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion made by Councilor Burke, seconded by Councilor Quinn to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Date Approved: **FEBRUARY 25, 2014**

  
Minutes prepared by Rose Benoit, City Clerk

  
Mayor Leslie Waters