

**SPECIAL BUSINESS MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
June 16, 2015**

The Special Business Meeting of Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 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 Roger Edelman, Vice-Mayor Thom Barnhorn, Mayor Leslie Waters, Councilor Chris Burke, Councilor Patricia Plantamura, Councilor James Quinn, Councilor Bob Matthews, and City Clerk Patty Beliveau. City Attorney John Elias was in the audience and City Manager Frank Edmunds was not present.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

~none~

2. CONSIDER THE SELECTION OF FIVE CANDIDATES TO BE INTERVIEWED FOR THE POSITION OF CITY MANAGER.

Mayor Waters explained the purpose of the Special Meeting is to continue the selection of a new city manager to replace City Manager Edmunds who will be retiring August 15th. Mayor Waters read the recruiting process for the search of a city manager and introduced Mr. Colin Baenziger from Colin Baenziger and Associates to conduct the meeting.

Mr. Baenziger confirmed that each council member received a ballot and instructed council to place a (1) on the upper corner of the ballot. Mr. Baenziger explained each council member will select their top five candidates, the ballots will be collected and he will read each council member's five candidate names. The votes will then be tallied and presented to council. Mr. Baenziger instructed Council to sign the ballot and check the appropriate box next to their name.

Mr. Baenziger read each council member's candidate selection. Mr. Conner and City Clerk Beliveau tallied the votes. Mr. Conner announced the votes for each candidate as follows:

Mr. Hamaday – 7 votes
Mr. Bonfield – 4 votes
Mr. Peck – 4 votes
Ms. Toney-Deal – 4 votes

Mr. Zmyslinksi – 5 votes
Mr. Kutney – 4 votes
Mr. Stewart – 4 votes

Mr. Baenziger explained Council had selected seven candidates and suggested a second vote be taken to narrow the finalists. Mr. Baenziger suggested each council member select three candidates from those that received four votes.

Council unanimously agreed to conduct a second ballot vote to narrow the finalists. A second ballot was distributed to council for the selection of three candidates to be included in the interview process along with two alternates. The candidates for consideration are Mr. Bonfield, Mr. Kutney, Mr. Peck, Mr. Stewart and Ms. Toney-Deal.

Mr. Baenziger read council's selection. Mr. Conner and City Clerk Beliveau tallied the votes. Mr. Baenziger announced the following:

Mr. Kutney – 6 votes
Ms. Toney-Deal – 5 votes
Mr. Stewart – 2 votes

Mr. Peck – 5 votes
Mr. Bonfield – 3 votes

Mr. Baenziger announced Mr. Kutney, Mr. Peck and Ms. Toney-Deal as the third, fourth and fifth candidates. Mr. Bonfield is the first alternate and Mr. Stewart is the second alternate.

Mr. Baenziger noted the alternates will be considered only if a candidate drops out of the process. The finalists are: Mr. Hamaday, Mr. Kutney, Mr. Peck, Ms. Toney-Deal and Mr. Zmyslinksi. Mr. Bonfield is the first alternate and Mr. Stewart is the second alternate.

Mr. Baenziger explained the public will have the opportunity to meet the candidates on the evening of Thursday, June 25th during the candidate reception. The public will also be able to view the candidates on Friday afternoon, June 26th, during the public interview session; however, he does not recommend public comments are entertained during the session. During the Tuesday, June 30th Special Meeting session, Council may allow public comments to be heard.

Mr. Baenziger suggested that during the Tuesday, June 30th Special Meeting, council conduct a straw poll vote selecting the candidate and explain their selection.

Councilor Plantamura inquired if the city pays lodging for the candidates from Friday through Tuesday. Mr. Baenziger noted it is customary to pay for the nights the candidates are required to be in Seminole. Some candidates will need to arrive on Wednesday and will


depart on Friday; however, if the candidate choose to extend their stay, they will be responsible for those expenses.

Councilor Plantamura inquired if the interview format will be conducted at the dais and speaking to a candidate at the lectern or will it be held at the round table. Mr. Baenziger suggested the process be conducted from the dais to try to replicate a city council meeting.

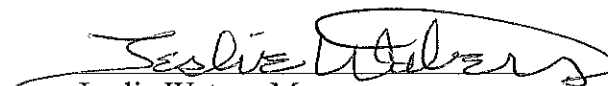
Motion made by Councilor Burke seconded by Councilor Edelman for the Seminole city council to invite the following five persons to the city to be interviewed for the city manager position: Tony Hamaday, Ernest Zmyslinksi, Mark Kutney, Calvin Peck and Ann Toney-Deal, with the alternates being Mike Bonfield and second alternate Terrance Stewart.

Motion made by Vice-Mayor Barnhorn seconded by Councilor Burke to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m.

Date Approved: 6.23.15



Minutes prepared by City Clerk
Patricia Beliveau



Leslie Waters, Mayor