

**WORKSHOP I MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 9, 2015**

A Workshop of the Seminole City Council was held on Wednesday, September 9, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., in City Hall, City Council Chambers, 9199 – 113th Street North, Seminole, Florida.

Mayor Waters called the workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present were: Mayor Leslie Waters, Vice-Mayor Thom Barnhorn, Councilor Chris Burke, Councilor Roger Edelman, Councilor Bob Matthews, Councilor Jim Quinn, City Manager Ann Toney-Deal, City Attorney Jay Daigneault and City Clerk Patty Beliveau. Councilor Patricia Plantamura was not present.

Mayor Waters recognized Bernadette Holman and Donna Ceasare from Arden Court, a memory care facility in the Greater Seminole Area. Both were excited that the City of Seminole was the first in Florida to be a “Dementia Friendly City.” Ms. Holman and Ms. Ceasare brought food for all to enjoy.

1. DISCUSS THE SEMINOLE WATER TOWER

Mayor Waters recognized City Manager Toney-Deal to explain. City Manager Toney-Deal recognized Mr. Pick Talley from Pinellas County who shared information on the water tower. Also in attendance was Public Works Director Jeremy Hockenbury. Mr. Talley discussed the county’s plans on the water tower that is no longer being utilized.

Mayor Waters reviewed photographs and explained the water tower and park.

Mr. Talley also provided photographs and explained the history, condition and the maintenance costs. Mr. Talley noted the water tower has been out of service since 2012 and is scheduled for demolition in 2017.

Councilor Edelman noted the city would need to spend \$80,000 (\$10,000 for utilities, \$3,500 for electric and \$65,000 to repaint) for the upkeep of the water tower.

Mr. Talley explained the county would be willing to work with the Council, if there is an interest in the property, building and water tower. Mr. Talley noted they may have decommissioning/demolition contributions to assist.

Mayor Waters explained if Council is interested in pursuing the property and water tower, then the City Manager may work with the County and Mr. Talley on a plan on how the City can obtain the property and water tower.

Councilor Edelman noted "no", unless the City can use the water tower for another purpose. Councilor Edelman noted the does the City wants to be known as the City with an old water tower or a City that is moving forward with different types of art.

Councilor Quinn noted "yes," the City is moving forward and in the last twelve months has issued building permits for over \$60,000,000.

Vice-Mayor Barnhorn noted he would like to move forward and see if we can come up with amicable terms.

Councilor Matthews noted he would like to move forward and research ideas that were suggested by other Council members.

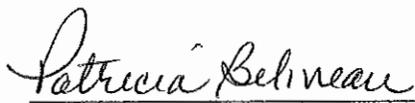
Councilor Burke noted he agrees with Councilor Edelman comments and would like to see ideas on how the tower can be utilized.

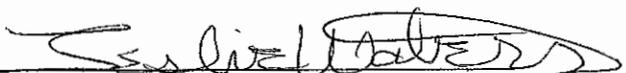
Mayor Waters noted she agrees with Councilor Burke comments.

2. CONSIDER A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

Date Approved: 9.22.15


Minutes prepared by City Clerk
Patricia Beliveau


Leslie Waters, Mayor