

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
August 13, 2024

The Business Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, August 13, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., in City Hall, City Council Chambers, 9199 - 113th Street North, Seminole, Florida.

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

Councilor Ray Beliveau provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT

Mayor Leslie Waters, Councilor Thom Barnhorn, Councilor Ray Beliveau, Councilor Mark Ely, Councilor Jim Quinn, Councilor Trish Springer, City Manager Ann Toney-Deal, City Attorney Jay Daigneault, and City Clerk Ann Marie Mancuso. Not Present: Councilor Chris Burke.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Purple Heart Month Proclamation.

Mayor Leslie Waters read a Purple Heart Month Proclamation which designated August as “Purple Heart Month” in the City of Seminole.

B. Swearing in of Ryan Gregg as District Chief.

Fire Chief Bill Schobel gave a brief biography of Ryan Gregg before he was sworn in as a District Chief by City Manager Ann Toney-Deal.

C. Swearing in of Matthew Rogers as Lieutenant

Fire Chief Bill Schobel gave a brief biography of Matthew Rogers before he was sworn in as a Lieutenant by City Manager Ann Toney-Deal.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carol Heintz – 11735 Kay Court, Seminole. Ms. Heintz spoke in reference to traffic safety in her neighborhood.

David Green – 11020 – 128th Avenue, Largo. Mr. Green spoke in support of the Annual Field of Honor that was listed on the consent agenda.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes: July 19, 2023.

B. Business Meeting Minutes: July 23, 2024.

C. Authorize the Kiwanis Breakfast Club of Seminole to Hold its Tenth Annual Field of Honor at City Hall.

Motion made by Councilor Beliveau, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve items A. through C. of the Consent Agenda.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. ACTION ITEMS

A. Law Enforcement Services Contract For Fiscal Year 2025 (October 1, 2024 – September 30, 2025) with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated it is the same contractual service and adding one additional school crossing guard, as last year, with a 7.87% increase. She also mentioned that services for traffic enforcement and neighborhood patrols are supplemental to the contract.

Motion made by Councilor Springer, seconded by Councilor Barnhorn to authorize the City Manager to execute the contract for Law Enforcement services with the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office for FY 2025 in the amount of \$2,313,012.

Roll Call

Mayor Waters	AYE
Councilor Barnhorn	AYE
Councilor Beliveau	AYE
Councilor Ely	AYE
Councilor Quinn	AYE
Councilor Springer	AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. Health, Dental, and Vision Insurance Plan Renewals.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that there are two (2) different plans that are offered to eligible employees, and there will be a 10.9% increase from the current premium.

Motion made by Councilor Springer, seconded by Councilor Barnhorn, to authorize the City Manager to renew the group health, dental, and vision insurance provided through the Public Risk Management Health Insurance Trust, and to authorize the City Manager to fund a Health Savings Account with up to \$1,000 for individual coverage, and up to \$1,500 for employee plus dependent coverage for those employees enrolled in the Blue Options 05168/05169 High Deductible Health Plan, with Florida Blue.

Roll Call

Mayor Waters	AYE
Councilor Barnhorn	AYE
Councilor Beliveau	AYE
Councilor Ely	AYE
Councilor Quinn	AYE
Councilor Springer	AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Authorize Contribution to the Seminole High School Band Fundraiser.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that at the July 23, 2024, City Council meeting, it was the consensus of the Council to put this item on the agenda.

Motion made by Councilor Barnhorn, seconded by Councilor Quinn to donate \$500 to the Seminole High School Band toward the expense of attending the 2025 Rose Bowl Parade.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. Approval of City of Seminole August 2024 Proclamation of Emergency.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the Governor declared a “State of Emergency” for Pinellas County on August 1, 2024, and the City followed with a “Proclamation of Emergency” on August 3, 2024, allowing the City to waive procedures and formalities otherwise required.

Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Springer to ratify the approval of the August 3, 2024, Proclamation of Emergency for the City of Seminole, in order to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the community, and property, both public and private, from hazards of Tropical Depression Four/Tropical Storm Debby/Hurricane Debby.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

E. Resolution No. 07-2024: Termination of the Proclamation of Emergency for the City of Seminole.

City Manager Toney-Deal explained that Resolution No. 07-2024 terminates the Proclamation of Emergency from Tropical Storm Four/ Tropical Debby/ Hurricane Debby.

Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Barnhorn to adopt Resolution No. 07-2024 terminating the “State of Emergency” for the City of Seminole.

4. CITY MANAGER REPORT

A. Community Policing Report.

Community Policing Officer, Deputy Peter Papas reminded the community that school is back in session, to be aware of the speed limit, and no texting while driving. He has been assisting Community Development Director Wesley Wright with some code enforcement issues. He announced that a 12'9" gator was found wondering on the road on Park Boulevard in front of Home Depot. The gator was safely relocated by the Florida Game and Fish Personnel.

B. City Manager's Annual Review

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that it is once again time for the City Manager's Annual Review. If you would like to request a hard copy or a fillable document, please contact City Clerk Mancuso or the City Manager's Executive Assistant Natasha. It was agreed that they be returned before the next Council meeting.

C. Schedule Date for Annual Volunteer Dinner.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that there are three (3) dates available in February for the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner: February 7, 2024; February 21, 2024; and February 28, 2024. Councilors were asked to check their respective calendars and notify City Clerk Mancuso which dates are available for them.

City Manager Toney-Deal also announced that the three (3) qualified candidates for the November 5, 2024, Municipal Election are all unopposed, therefore, there will be no election for candidates. However, she did remind everyone that there are still seven (7) Charter Amendments on the ballot.

5. OLD BUSINESS

Councilor Quinn congratulated Vice Mayor Burke, Councilor Springer, and Al Shields for being unopposed in the upcoming November 5, 2024, Municipal Election.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Councilor Ely moved to excuse Councilor Burke's absence from the August 13, 2024, Council meeting.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Councilor Springer announced that the Florida League of Cities Annual conference would be held August 14, 2024, through August 17, 2024. On Saturday, August 17, 2024, will be the Suncoast League of Cities breakfast at the conference.

Councilor Springer also announced that on August 30, 2024, there will be the Suncoast League of Cities meeting via zoom.

She also announced that on Monday, September 23, 2024, there will be a Suncoast League of Cities Candidate Forum at Pinellas Park.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.

Date Approved: 8-27-2024

Ann Marie Mancuso

Ann Marie Mancuso, CMC
City Clerk

Leslie Waters
Leslie Waters, Mayor

