

**BUSINESS MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
January 25, 2011**

The Business Meeting of Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at 7:00 p.m., in City Hall, City Council Chambers, 9199 - 113th Street North, Seminole, Florida.

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilor Quinn provided the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

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

INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS.

- Dr. Jim Olliver, Provost of the St. Petersburg College/Seminole Campus introduced Jeff Kronschnabl, Instructor in Charge, College of Policy and Legal Studies at St. Petersburg College/Seminole Campus. Instructor Jeff Kronschnabl, presented the new "SPC Public Policy and Administration Bachelor's Degree Program" which began on Monday, January 10, 2011.
- Interim Fire Chief Bessler presented Fire Department Promotions of:
 - Fire medic Jake Busche to the rank of Lieutenant
 - Lieutenant Thomas Winkler to the rank of Training Chief

PUBLIC COMMENTS.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - BUSINESS MEETING ON January 11, 2011.

Motion made by Councilor Barnhorn, seconded by Councilor Quinn to approve the business minutes for January 11, 2010.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP I MINUTES - BUSINESS MEETING ON January 11, 2011.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Waters, seconded by Councilor Counts to approve the Workshop I Minutes for January 11, 2011.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVAL OF WORKSHOP II MINUTES - BUSINESS MEETING ON January 11, 2011.

Motion made by Councilor Barnhorn, seconded by Councilor Counts to approve the Workshop II Minutes for January 11, 2011.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. TAKE FROM THE TABLE, APPROVAL OF THE November 23, 2010 WORKSHOP MINUTES.

Motion made by Councilor Counts, seconded by Vice Mayor Waters to approve Workshop minutes of November 23, 2010.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING. CONSIDER A SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 02-2011 REGARDING FISCAL YEAR 2010 ENCUMBRANCES.

City Clerk Benoit read Ordinance No. 02-2011 by title only. Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing. Receiving no Public Comments, the Public Hearing was closed. Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Counts to approve Ordinance No. 02-2011 for a second and final reading.

Roll Call

Councilor Matthews	AYE
Vice Mayor Waters	AYE
Councilor Barnhorn	AYE
Councilor Quinn	AYE
Councilor Counts	AYE
Mayor Johnson	AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE WINE CELLAR RESTAURANT FOR THE DECEMBER 4, 2011 ANNUAL VOLUNTEER HOLIDAY BOARD'S APPRECIATION DINNER.

Motion made by Councilor Matthews, seconded by Councilor Counts to authorize the City Manager to execute an Agreement with the Wine Cellar Restaurant for the December 4, 2011 Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND \$4,000 FROM THE CONTINGENCY ACCOUNT FOR THE PINELLAS SAFE HARBOR PROJECT.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Waters, seconded by Councilor Quinn to authorize \$4,000 grant to be drawn from the Contingency fund for the Pinellas Safe Harbor project.

Discussion: Councilor Barnhorn stated his reasons why he does not support expending \$4,000 from the contingency account for the Pinellas Safe Harbor project. He believes that using temporary budgeted money to fund an ongoing asset without a commitment for future funding is bad accounting and bad financial practice. He asked council members to make their decisions not on what feels good, but on what is best for our city residents.

Councilor Matthews believes that this grant saves our citizens money considering the current cost to house an inmate in the county jail. He believes that this is an emergency issue due to the existing economy.

Councilor Quinn supports the program and believes that it will become a self sustained program in the future.

Vice Mayor Waters supports this one time allocation with the notion that if a grant is requested next year for the Safe Harbor project, the request will be re-evaluated.

Agenda Item # 6 Continued:

Roll Call	
Councilor Matthews	AYE
Vice Mayor Waters	AYE
Councilor Barnhorn	NAY
Councilor Quinn	AYE
Councilor Counts	AYE
Mayor Johnson	AYE

Five “AYE’s” – One “NAY”, motion passed.

7. **CONSIDER RESOLUTION 01-2011 SUPPORTING ONE BAY REGIONAL VISION.**
City Clerk Benoit read Resolution No. 01-2011 by title only. Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Counts to approve Resolution No. 01-2011.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. **CONSIDER THE APPOINTMENT OF MS. MCKENZIE AUGUSTA TO A TWO YEAR TERM TO THE RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD**
Motion made by Councilor Matthews, seconded by Vice Mayor Waters to appoint Ms. McKenzie Augusta to the Recreation Advisory Board for a two year term that will expire December 12, 2010.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. **CONSIDER THE APPOINTMENT OF MR. ROBERT HUTTICK TO A THREE YEAR TERM TO THE TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**
Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Counts to appoint Mr. Robert Huttick to the Tree Advisory Committee for a three (3) year term to expire January 25, 2014.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. **CONSIDER THE APPOINTMENT OF MS. MARY ANN KIRK TO A THREE YEAR TERM TO THE TREE ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**
Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Barnhorn to appoint Ms. Mary Kirk to the Tree Advisory Committee for a three (3) year term to expire January 25, 2014.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION TO APPROVE CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. **CITY COUNCIL REPORTS.**
Councilor Matthews had no report.

Vice Mayor Waters on Monday, attended the 25th Annual Martin Luther King Leadership Breakfast, on Tuesday, January 18, she gave a “State of the City” presentation for the Seminole Lake Country Club Estates Homeowners Association, attended the Suncoast League of Cities meeting held in the Madeira Beach City Hall, attended the Annual Pinellas County Urban League (PCUL) Annual Meeting at the St. Petersburg Hilton and was re-elected to the Board of the PCUL for a second 3-year term. She presently serves as Assistant Treasurer. She also attended the Seminole Chamber of Commerce Installation of the 2011 Board of Director; event held at the Wine Cellar.

Councilor Barnhorn attended most of the events mentioned by Vice Mayor Waters. He informed that at the Suncoast League of Cities meeting, the focus was on planning a bus trip to Tallahassee which is scheduled for February 23-24th. He is not attending this trip nor attending the Council meeting scheduled for February 22nd since he will be in Washington, DC for a Florida League of Cities Committee meeting. He also attended the Seminole Chamber of Commerce Installation of the 2011 Board of Director event where Harold Vardy, CPA was named 2011 Mr. Seminole and was presented the highest civic honor award. Boss of the Year Award was presented to Dr. David Tollon of the Oakhurst Veterinary Hospital; Marty Maddox of yoga4all was presented the Business of the Year award and Jacob Valintine, the Merit Award.

Councilor Quinn attended the Seminole Chamber of Commerce Installation of the 2011 Board of Director event honoring business and business leaders. Councilor Quinn mentioned a phone message he received from resident Tony Adano @11100 86th Avenue N. requesting fixing of a street light on 110th Street and 86th Avenue. He inquired if City Clerk Benoit relay the message to Public Works Director Jeremy Hockenbury and if the light was fixed. He announced that the deadline to register to vote for the March 8, 2011 election is February 7.

Councilor Counts attended the Seminole High School girls soccer game where they beat Eastlake 5 to 0.

Vice Mayor Waters recognized "Doc" Kinsey for receiving the President's Awards during the Seminole Chamber of Commerce Installation of the 2011 Board of Director event.

Mayor Johnson had no report.

12. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT.

- February Community Meeting Schedule
- 10th annual Fit over Fifty Health and Wellness Expo scheduled for Thursday, January 27, 2011 from 10am until 1pm.

13. OLD BUSINESS.

None.

14. NEW BUSINESS.

Councilor Quinn mentioned the merger of Duke Energy and Progress Energy. He believes it is not a win situation for the residents of Florida. He stated that there will be a reduction of jobs in both companies.

Vice Mayor Waters's reminder of the Seminole Historical Society meeting scheduled for Thursday, January 26.

Mayor Johnson mentioned a letter received from Gerald D. Shotts from Ridge Seminole Management Corporation expressing gratitude for the excellent service Deputy DiFrancesco provides to the community.

Councilor Barnhorn asked for residence's assistance to the victim of a Habitat home that was set on fire at 8624 112th St. N.

15. CONSIDER A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Vice Mayor Waters, seconded by Councilor Quinn to adjourn the meeting.

Date Approved: February 8, 2011

Rose Benoit
Minutes prepared by Rose Benoit

James Johnson
James Johnson, Mayor