

**BUSINESS MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
March 10, 2020**

The Business Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., in City Hall, City Council Chambers, 9199 - 113th Street North, Seminole, Florida.

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

Councilor Roger Edelman provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT:

Mayor Leslie Waters, Vice Mayor Chris Burke, Councilor Thom Barnhorn, Councilor Roger Edelman Councilor Bob Matthews, Councilor Jim Olliver, Councilor Trish Springer. City Manager Ann Toney-Deal, City Attorney Jay Daigneault, and City Clerk Ann Marie Mancuso.

PRESENTATIONS

PINELLAS HOPE GRANT PRESENTATION

Councilor Roger Edelman presented a grant check for Pinellas Hope to Executive Director Danielle Husband.

SWEARING IN OF LEUTENANTS KURT MERRIKEN, ROBERT RUTLEDGE, PATTON HALL, BETSY ELIZABETH FERLITA, AND WESLEY GERCZAK

Fire Chief Heather Burford introduced and gave a brief biography of Lieutenants Kurt Merriken, Robert Rutledge, Patton Hall, Betsy Elizabeth Ferlita, and Wesley Gerczak. City Clerk Ann Marie Mancuso swore them all in as Fire Lieutenants.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Anna Paulina Luna – 10601 Gandy Boulevard North, #3204, St. Petersburg. Anna is a congressional candidate; she gave a brief biography and introduced her husband Andy and campaign manager Grace. Ms. Luna stated that she is currently working with several different non-profits in her efforts to combat human trafficking of young children and an advocate for veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder and veteran recovery.

Jim Quinn – 116 Dogwood Circle, Seminole. Former City of Seminole Councilor, Mr. Quinn thanked the City of Seminole and its residents for the continuation of the donation of food for the Interfaith Food Pantry. Mr. Quinn also congratulated Councilor Bob Matthews and Mr. Mark Ely on their respective awards from the Greater Seminole Area Chamber of Commerce.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

A. BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES: FEBRUARY 25, 2020.

B. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT A VOLUNTEER FLORIDA CERT/CITIZEN CORPS PROGRAM GRANT AWARD IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000 FOR THE PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT AND TRAINING SUPPLIES FOR THE SEMINOLE CERT TEAM.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Olliver to approve the Consent Agenda.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. ACTION ITEMS

A. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXPEND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$475,710 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A REPLACEMENT FIRE ENGINE.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that this purchase was approved by the Council in the 2020 Budget. The purchase will be made with CIP funds, however, after the purchase, seventy percent of the cost will be reimbursed by Pinellas County.

The replacement engine will be manufactured by Rosenbauer South Dakota, LLC. The vehicle price is derived from the Florida Sheriffs Association (FSA) bid, (Contract No. FSA18-VEF13.0)

Motion made by Councilor Olliver, seconded by Vice Mayor Burke to authorize the City Manager to expend fire rescue CIP funds in the amount of \$475,710 for the purchase of a replacement fire engine.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilor Barnhorn – Attended the Pinellas/Pasco Area on Aging meeting, also announced that Pinellas County will be sponsoring a free tire collection at Walsingham Park, on Saturday, April 18, 2020.

Vice Mayor Burke – No report.

Councilor Edelman – No report.

Councilor Matthews – No report.

Councilor Olliver – Report was submitted to the City Clerk.

Councilor Springer – Announced that on March 20, 2020, the Suncoast League of Cities will be hosting a social network in the City of Dunedin, from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Councilor Springer also expressed her condolences on the passing of Pinellas Park Councilor Patty Johnson.

Mayor Waters – Report has been submitted to the City Clerk.

Mayor Waters announced that Governor DeSantis declared a State of Emergency in response to the Corona Virus. Attorney General Ashely Moody has declared a war on price gouging. If price gouging is suspected on cleaning supplies, masks or hand sanitizers, etc. during this time, call 1-800-966-7226.

Mayor Waters also stated that she received many compliments on the City Newsletter, and reminded everyone to vote in the Florida Presidential Primaries.

5. **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager Toney-Deal introduced new Secretary to the City Manager Marcus Smith.

City Manager Toney-Deal gave a Corona Virus update. She stated that the County is currently holding weekly meetings to update municipalities on concerns and cancellations.

A. **COMMUNITY POLICING REPORT**

Community Policing Officer Deputy Tiffany Ashcom stated that the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office will be hosting its Discovery Day Program for children ages 8 -13 on March 28, 2020, from 9:00 am – Noon. Any child interested can register online through the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office website, pcsoweb.com. The Florida Sheriff's Youth Ranch Summer Camp is currently accepting applications. The camp is free and is open to children ages 10 -15 years old. They can register online at youthbranches.org. The Sheriff's office is accepting applications for its summer internship program. This program is open to undergrad and graduate college students. Participants will receive college credits for participating in the program. Deputy Ashcom stated that there is currently a lot of scams active in the community lately, and to be conscious of people asking for money.

Councilor Olliver gave kudos to the City Manager and Sheriff's department for following through on the 66th Avenue issue.

B. DISCUSS FUTURE WORKSHOPS

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that a list of workshops was distributed in the Council agenda packet. Councilor Olliver suggested that the "Penny 4 Pinellas" be a priority on the workshop list. He also suggested looking into the Florida Sterling Award. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that she would like to review the program before recommending that the City apply.

Vice Mayor Burke suggested that we combine the City Council project for the 50th Anniversary and discussing a 50th Anniversary recognition item together at one workshop.

It was the consensus of the Council to schedule the City Motto, City Council project for the 50th Anniversary and a 50th Anniversary recognition item for the March 24, 2020, workshop, and the Penny 4 Pinellas at an April workshop.

C. AUTHORIZE THE CO-SPONSORSHIP OF ALCOHOL SALES WITH THE SEMINOLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY AT THE 2020 POW WOW.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that local non-profits are on a rotation basis for alcohol sales at the Pow Wow festival. It is the Seminole Historical Society's turn and they have asked the City of Seminole to partner with them.

Councilor Olliver was concerned about setting a precedent by co-sponsoring, however, City Manager Toney-Deal stated that it does not affect the rotation and if another non-profit should approach the City with the same request, the City would consider.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to authorize the co-sponsorship of alcohol sales with the Seminole Historical Society at the 2020 Pow Wow Festival.

Original motion amended by Vice Mayor Burke, amendment accepted by Councilor Springer to authorize the co-sponsorship of alcohol sales with the Seminole Historical Society at the 2020 Pow Wow Festival pursuant to approval of the agreement by the City Attorney.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

City Manager Toney-Deal reminded the City Council that the Seminole Recreation Center was closed for the week leading up to Pow Wow. This is an annual event in which the Recreation Center can perform a deep cleaning of the facilities, while preparing for the Pow Wow Festival.

City Manager Toney-Deal also reminded the City Council about the Pow Wow Parade.

6. **OLD BUSINESS**

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that Ken Jacobs from the County will be available to give an update on Pinellas County road and signalization improvements in April. She also stated that a dialogue with the Pinellas County School Board in reference to the annexation of Seminole High School, Seminole Middle School, Bauder Elementary, and the Richard O. Jacobson Technical High School have begun.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

-NONE-

8. **CONSIDER A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:22 p.m.

Date Approved: 3-24-2020

Ann Marie Mancuso

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Leslie Waters
Leslie Waters, Mayor