

**BUSINESS MINUTES  
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL  
December 15, 2020**

The Business Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, December 15, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., in the City Hall, City Council Chambers, 9199 - 113th Street North, Seminole, Florida.

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

Councilor Jim Olliver provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT**

Mayor Leslie Waters, Vice Mayor Thom Barnhorn, Councilor Chris Burke, Councilor Tom Christy, Councilor Roger Edelman, Councilor Jim Olliver, Councilor Trish Springer. City Manager Ann Toney-Deal, Assistant City Attorney Erica Augello and City Clerk Ann Marie Mancuso. Not present: City Attorney Jay Daigneault.

**PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Waters announced that Councilor Trish Springer's son, John Springer has joined the United States Army and will ship out on January 4, 2021, to Fort Benning, Georgia.

Mayor Waters presented new Council Member, Tom Christy with a City Lapel pin.

**1. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Pamela Finelli – 11620 Park Boulevard #305, Seminole, Florida. Ms. Finelli requested that the City tennis courts located on 113<sup>th</sup> Street, be lined for pickle ball.

Trish Haynes – 10012 – 130<sup>th</sup> Lane, Seminole, Florida. Ms. Haynes had concerns about the traffic congestion in front of Bauder Elementary School.

Lois Peters – 223 Aspen Circle, Seminole, Florida. Ms. Peters requested that the City tennis courts located at 113<sup>th</sup> Street, be lined for pickle ball.

**2. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES: DECEMBER 1, 2020.

Motion made by Councilor Burke, seconded by Councilor Edelman to approve item A. on the Consent Agenda.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**3. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. AGREEMENT WITH PINELLAS COUNTY FOR CARES ACT GRANT.**

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that Pinellas County established a per capita distribution of Cares Act Grant funds for the local government communities of Pinellas County, which represented \$386,179 for the City of Seminole. The plan for the City of Seminole for use of the funding will be for sanitation, disinfection, products to promote social distancing, technology equipment and programs, personal protective equipment and paid sick time associated with expenses incurred during the pandemic. All costs must be incurred by December 30, 2020. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that staff is requesting permission to use funds not to exceed \$386,179 as a sub-recipient of the Cares Act Funding.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Barnhorn, seconded by Councilor Springer to authorize approval of the Cares Act Grant Funding Agreement with Pinellas County.

Discussion ensued.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**B. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN A SOUTHWEST FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT (SWFWMD) COOPERATIVE FUNDING INITIATIVE (CFI) PROJECT AGREEMENT.**

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the City was awarded a \$125,000 SWFWMD grant and will match the \$125,000 with Penny 3 funds, to prepare a stormwater Master Plan. The Master Plan will consist of two phases, and by accepting the grant, the City will be eligible to apply for another matching grant for Phase II of the Master Plan. City Manager Toney-Deal added that the study will address not only recommended repairs but also the maintenance of the areas as well.

The City Attorney has reviewed and approved the agreement as to form.

Motion made by Councilor Olliver, seconded by Councilor Burke to authorize the City Manager to sign a Southwest Florida Water Management District Cooperative Funding Initiative Project Agreement.

Councilor Edelman inquired about costs in excess of the \$250,000. Public Works Director Rodney Due stated that we would be obligated to meet those extra costs. However, if the costs are less, then the City would be responsible for less, as would the SWFMD.

Discussion ensued.

**Roll Call**

Mayor Waters	AYE
Vice Mayor Barnhorn	AYE
Councilor Burke	AYE
Councilor Edelman	AYE
Councilor Christy	AYE
Councilor Olliver	AYE
Councilor Springer	AYE

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**4. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

Vice Mayor Barnhorn – Virtually attended a National COVID-19 briefing and a Council of Foreign Affairs and a Mayors Roundtable via Zoom; attended the ribbon cutting for the Waterfront Park Storage Building/Restroom, attended an educational zoom meeting on the “Duty to Vote” presented by Seminole City Attorney Jay Daigneault; attended a zoom meeting with newly elected Representative for District 69, Linda Chaney; participated in a National League of Cities conference call, attended Keep Pinellas Beautiful Annual Open House; attended the monthly virtual Suncoast League of Cities meeting; attended the WinterFest Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Seminole Recreation Center; also attended a Florida League of Cities Legislative review.

Councilor Burke – Attended the ribbon cutting for the Waterfront Park Facilities Storage Building/Restroom, attended the WinterFest Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Seminole Recreation Center.

Councilor Christy – Attended the Seminole Chamber of Commerce luncheon on December 3, 2020; attended the ribbon cutting for the Waterfront Park Storage Building /Restroom; attended the WinterFest Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Seminole Recreation Center; completed a City tour with the City Manager and met with the City Finance Director.

Councilor Edelman – Attended the ribbon cutting for the Waterfront Park Storage Building/Restroom, attended the WinterFest Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Seminole Recreation Center.

Councilor Olliver – Attended the ribbon cutting for the Waterfront Park Storage Building/Restroom; attended the WinterFest Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Seminole Recreation Center; attended the monthly virtual Suncoast League of Cities meeting; attended the Florida League of Cities monthly webinar; attended the “Fill the Boat” toy drive sponsored by Seminole Fire Rescue.

Councilor Springer – Virtually attended the monthly Suncoast League of Cities via Zoom, attended the WinterFest Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Seminole Recreation Center.

Mayor Waters – Attended the ribbon cutting for the Waterfront Park Storage Building/Restroom; attended the WinterFest Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Seminole Recreation Center; attended the “Fill the Boat” toy drive sponsored by Seminole Fire Rescue; virtually attended a Florida League of Cities meeting via Zoom.

## **5. CITY MANAGER REPORT**

### **A. SET COUNCIL WORKSHOP RETREAT FOR SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2021.**

City Manager Toney-Deal suggested January 23, 2021 for the Annual Council Workshop Retreat. She also stated that a Council member suggested we push the workshop back to March or April.

Discussion ensued.

It was the consensus of the Council to schedule the workshop on Saturday, March 27, 2021. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that staff will review venues both inside and outside and get back to Council with a proposed location.

## **6. OLD BUSINESS**

Councilor Springer stated that the streets of Valencia and Temple have not received a recycling pick up since November. She asked if the Public Works Department could look into that.

Councilor Burke stated that many years ago, when the planning of Waterfront Park took place, there was some mention of approaching Home Depot to sponsor some sort of project in the park. Councilor Burke suggested that a representative from the City contact Home Depot to see if there is still an interest to sponsor a project.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the playground equipment is beginning to be installed at Waterfront Park.

Councilor Edelman stated that he left a message with Pinellas County to get an update on the Lake Seminole Dredging Project. As soon as he hears from the County, he will share that information with Council.

7. NEW BUSINESS

NONE

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:36 P.M.

Date Approved: January 12, 2020

Ann Marie Mancuso

Minutes prepared by City Clerk  
Ann Marie Mancuso

Leslie Waters  
Leslie Waters, Mayor