

BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
April 14, 2026

The Business Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, April 14, 2026, 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 Al Shields provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT

Mayor Leslie Waters, Vice Mayor Chris Burke, Councilor Thom Barnhorn, Councilor Ray Beliveau, Councilor Al Shields, Councilor Trish Springer, Councilor Kadi Hendricks Tubbs, City Manager Ann Toney-Deal, Assistant City Attorney Nancy Meyer, and City Clerk Ann Marie Mancuso. Not Present: City Attorney Jay Daigneault.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Arbor Day Proclamation.

Councilor Springer recognized Arbor Day with a Proclamation that was presented to the Public Works Director and the Tree Advisory Committee.

B. National Library Week Proclamation.

Mayor Waters recognized National Library Week with a Proclamation that was presented to Glenn Ferdman Library Director, and representatives of the Library Advisory Board and Friends of the Library.

C. SPCA Tampa Bay Grant Presentation.

Councilor Beliveau recognized SPCA Tampa Bay with a \$1,000 grant which was presented to Chief Development Officer, Chris Harrell.

D. Greater Seminole Area Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Report.

The Greater Seminole Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, Randi Nash-Ortiz, presented the Chamber's quarterly report.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Michele Abramo – 12229 – 92nd Terrace, Seminole. Ms. Abramo gave kudos to Recreation Director Becky Gunter and Public Works Director Rodney Due for the exterior updates to the Seminole

Historical Society. Ms. Abramo also announced that Recreation Director, Becky Gunter will be the speaker for the April 22, 2026, Seminole Historical Society meeting. Ms. Gunter will speak on the history of Parks and Recreation and give an update on Parks and Recreation in Seminole.

James Joseph Quinn – 10612 Porpoise Park Drive, Seminole. – Former Council Member Quinn thanked Council for its special recognition of him at the March 10, 2026, City Council Meeting.

Mayor Waters recognized Scout Troop 431 in the audience.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Workshop Meeting Minutes: March 24, 2026.
- B. Business Meeting Minutes: March 24, 2026.
- C. Declare the following items as surplus: 2009 Ford Escape, 2012 Pierce Fire Engine, and 2012 Ford F150 Pickup and authorize the sale of the items.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve item numbers 2.A. through 2.C. of the Consent Agenda.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Resolution No. 01-2026 for Financial Institutions Signature Authority.
City Manager Toney-Deal stated one of the Financial Institutions that the City uses is requiring a Resolution by the City Council to make administrative changes for our new Finance Director. The City Attorney reviewed and approved the Resolution.

Motion made by Councilor Beliveau, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve Resolution No. 01-2026.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- B. Authorization of Expenditures in the Amount of \$211,290.55 for the Replacement of Staff Vehicles for the Fire Rescue Department.
City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the vehicles were all part of the Fiscal Year 2026 Capital Improvement Plan, which was approved by Council. Staff recommended its approval.

Discussion ensued.

Motion made by Councilor Shields seconded by Councilor Beliveau, for authorization of expenditures in the amount of \$211,290.55 for the replacement of staff vehicles for the Fire Rescue Department.

Roll Call

Mayor Waters AYE
 Vice Mayor Burke AYE
 Councilor Barnhorn AYE
 Councilor Beliveau AYE
 Councilor Shields AYE
 Councilor Springer AYE
 Councilor Hendricks Tubbs AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Selection and Appointment of Library Advisory Board Applicant.

City Clerk Mancuso distributed ballots for Councilors to vote on the soon to be vacant Library Advisory Board seat; the results were as follows:

<u>Vote Cast By:</u>	<u>Maria Francesca Fox</u>	<u>Rachael Russo</u>	<u>Sharon Spohn</u>
Mayor Waters			1
Councilor Barnhorn			1
Councilor Burke			1
Councilor Beliveau			1
Councilor Shields			1
Councilor Springer			1
Councilor Hendricks Tubbs		1	

Motion made by Councilor Barnhorn, seconded by Councilor Shields to appoint Sharon Spohn to the Library Advisory Board.

Roll Call

Mayor Waters AYE
 Vice Mayor Burke AYE
 Councilor Barnhorn AYE
 Councilor Beliveau AYE
 Councilor Shields AYE
 Councilor Springer AYE
 Councilor Hendricks Tubbs AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. City of Seminole Proclamation of Emergency for Hurricane Helene Extensions No. 81 & No. 82.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the City is waiting for arrival and installations of the countertops and backsplash for the kitchen to be complete.

Motion made by Councilor Shields, seconded by Vice Mayor Burke to approve the seven (7) day extensions for the Proclamations of Emergency for Hurricane Helene, Extension No. 81 through April 21, 2026, and Extension No. 82 through April 28, 2026.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. City of Seminole Proclamation of Emergency for Hurricane Milton Extensions No. 79 & No. 80.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the City is waiting for arrival and installations of the countertops and backsplash for the kitchen to be complete.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Shields to approve the seven (7) day extensions for the Proclamations of Emergency for Hurricane Milton, Extension No. 79 through April 20, 2026, and Extension No. 80 through April 27, 2026.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. CITY MANAGER REPORT

A. Community Policing Report.

Community Policing Officer, Deputy Travis Stanton stated that there were no issues during the Pow Wow event at the Recreation Center. Deputy Stanton advised that he had distributed Easter meals to four (4) Seminole families during the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office's Easter Meal Sharing Event. The Pinellas County Sheriff's Office is still working on the homeless activity, and Deputy Stanton just recently removed a homeless campground on Seminole Boulevard. The Sheriff's Office continues to work on E-bike enforcement, and there is an ongoing traffic speed study on 74th Avenue and 125th Street. Deputy Stanton just received certification as a Breath Test Operator.

B. Set Workshop to Discuss Veterans Memorial at Waterfront Park (May 26, 2026).

City Manager Toney-Deal asked Councilors if they would like to set a workshop for the Veterans Memorial at Waterfront Park for May 26, 2026. Vice Mayor Burke stated that he

would be out of town on that date and inquired if the workshop could be scheduled for May 12, 2026. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that there was already a workshop scheduled for that date.

It was the unanimous consensus of the Council to hold two (2) workshops on May 12, 2026.

C. Fire Rescue Open House on April 25, 2026, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Station 29.
City Manager Toney-Deal reminded Council of the Seminole Fire Rescue Open House on April 25, 2026, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Station 29.

D. Pow Wow Update

Recreation Director Becky Gunter gave kudos to the Recreation Staff for all of their hard work and dedication during the Pow Wow Festival. She especially thanked Staff Member Ashely Frydrych for her successful sponsorship procurement. Unfortunately, due to Weather, other carnivals in the area, and spring break, the attendance was the lowest it has been in fifteen (15) years. Ms. Gunter stated the date will likely be changed for next year due to those factors.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that she drafted a letter to the School Board that she distributed to Council. This letter is in support of having Seminole Elementary School designated as a Historical site. City Manager Toney-Deal asked Council to please review the letter and get back to her with any changes they would like to make. Councilor Hendricks Tubbs asked for Ms. Kinsey Blackburn be copied on the letter.

5. OLD BUSINESS

Councilor Beliveau announced that the Suncoast League of Cities will be hosting its next meeting on Friday, April 17, 2026, from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m., and it will be a virtual meeting.

6. NEW BUSINESS

NONE

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Date Approved: 4-28-26



Ann Marie Mancuso

Minutes prepared by City Clerk
Ann Marie Mancuso, CMC

Leslie Waters
Leslie Waters, Mayor