

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Southwest Ranches, Florida**

Monday 7:00 PM

September 30, 2014

13400 Griffin Road

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Present:

Mayor Jeff Nelson

Vice Mayor Gary Jablonski

Council Member Doug McKay

Council Member Freddy Fisikelli

Council Member Steve Breitreuz

Andrew Berns, Town Administrator

Keith Poliakoff, Town Attorney

Martin Sherwood, Town Financial Administrator

Russell Muñiz, Town Clerk

Regular Meeting of the Town Council of Southwest Ranches was held at 13400 Griffin Road in the Southwest Ranches Council Chambers. The meeting, having been properly noticed, was called to order by Mayor Nelson at 7:10 PM. Attendance was noted by roll call and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Proclamation - Domestic Violence Awareness Month**

Mayor Nelson read the proclamation into the record and presented it to Katie Ortiz who was in attendance representing Women In Distress.

Mayor Nelson also read a proclamation into the record recognizing 2014 Fire Prevention Week and presented it to Chief Bennett.

Mayor Nelson recognized Financial Administrator Martin Sherwood and the rest of the Finance staff for receiving the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for the 2013 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

**4. Ordinance – 2nd Reading** - AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE REZONING OF APPROXIMATELY 1.06 ACRES FROM RURAL ESTATE DISTRICT TO COMMUNITY FACILITY DISTRICT, GENERALLY LOCATED 600 FEET SOUTH OF GRIFFIN ROAD ON THE WEST SIDE OF SW 130TH AVENUE, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS THE SOUTH 173.00 FEET OF THE NORTH 844.00 FEET OF SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 50 SOUTH, RANGE 40 EAST, LYING SOUTH OF SOUTH NEW RIVER CANAL, LESS THE EAST 2631.70 FEET AND LESS THE WEST 2331.66 FEET, LESS THE EAST 50.00 FEET THEREOF (SOUTH FLORIDA HINDU TEMPLE, 5000 SW 130TH AVENUE, APPLICATION #RZ-017-12); PROVIDING FOR RECORDATION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **{Tabled from the August 28, 2014 Town Council Meeting}**

The following motion was made by Council Member McKay, seconded by Council Member Breitreuz.

**MOTION:** TO DENY THE ORDINANCE.

Attorney Steve Wherry, speaking on behalf of the applicant advised that the applicant wished to withdraw the item rather than it be denied.

Council Member Breitzkreuz withdrew his second to deny.

The following motion was made by Council Member McKay, seconded by Council Member Breitzkreuz and passed by 4-1 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Members Breitzkreuz, McKay, Jablonski, Mayor Nelson voting Yes, and Council Member Fisikelli voting No.

**MOTION:** TO ACCEPT THE APPLICANT'S WITHDRAWAL SUBJECT TO NOT ALLOWING RESUBMITTAL BY THE APPLICANT FOR AT LEAST 6 MONTHS.

#### **5. Public Comment**

No members of the public addressed the Town Council.

#### **6. Board Reports**

There were no board reports presented to the Town Council.

#### **7. Council Member Comments**

Vice Mayor Jablonski advised that the Aster Knight Parks Foundation Hoe Down was October 11<sup>th</sup> at the Weekley Pavilion. He announced that on October 18<sup>th</sup> the Southwest Ranches Country Roads Arts and Crafts Festival would be held at the Equestrian Park. He further advised the School Education Advisory Board would be hosting a Food Truck Event at the Equestrian Park on October 25<sup>th</sup>. Lastly, he spoke about a discussion he had with a resident regarding safety on Griffin Road. The discussion prompted him to discuss the feasibility with Council of creating a bike lane bike path between from Bonaventure Boulevard to Everglades Holiday Park, on the north side of Griffin Road.

Council Member Fisikelli asked about work going on with the Australian Pines at Country Estates Fishing Hole Park, and he provided an update on progress.

Council Member Breitzkreuz gave an update on the roadway on 190<sup>th</sup> Avenue and the HOA Meeting with Griffin 3-4-5. The residents supported the plan to place the control device on the north side of 190<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and closing off the roads on 54<sup>th</sup> and 57<sup>th</sup> between 190<sup>th</sup> and 188<sup>th</sup> Avenues. Council Member McKay felt that donating a control device that was previously purchased by the Town, was a better option than spending Town funds to purchase a new one.

Mayor Nelson advised that he and Town Attorney Poliakoff were at a deposition earlier in the day concerning the Corrections Corporation of America (CCA) site. He provided a brief update on the case.

#### **8. Legal Comments**

Town Attorney Poliakoff elaborated on the legal proceedings in the case regarding CCA.

**9. Administration Comments**

Town Administrator Berns thanked the Town Council for their support on the budget process and also thanked Town Financial Administrator Sherwood and his staff. Mr. Berns advised that a Town Council Workshop has been scheduled for November 6<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m. to discuss the Southwest Ranches Volunteer Fire Rescue Department. Lastly, he advised that the clearing of the invasives/exotics had begun at Country Estates Fishing Hold Park.

**10. Resolution** – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH WHITELEAF LLC DBA TRAFFIC SOLUTIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$111,553.57 FOR STRIPING AND SIGNAGE IMPROVEMENTS IN COUNTRY ESTATES ALONG SW 185TH WAY, 186TH AVENUE, AND 188TH AVENUE; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following motion was made by Council Member Breitkreuz, seconded by Council Member McKay and passed by 5-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Members Breitkreuz, Fisikelli, McKay, Jablonski, and Mayor Nelson voting Yes.

**MOTION:** TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

**11. Resolution** – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT WITH CANON FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. AND A CUSTOMER AGREEMENT WITH CANON SOLUTIONS AMERICA, INC. FOR A WIDE FORMAT MULTI-FUNCTION PRINTER, COPIER, AND SCANNER; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following motion was made by Council Member McKay, seconded by Vice Mayor Jablonski and passed by 5-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Members Breitkreuz, Fisikelli, McKay, Jablonski, and Mayor Nelson voting Yes.

**MOTION:** TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

**12. Resolution** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT AND RELATED PRODUCTS AND SERVICES FOR THE COUNTRY ESTATES FISHING HOLE PARK FROM GAMETIME DIVISION OF PLAYCORE, INC./DOMINICA RECREATION PRODUCTS, FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,886.86; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THE INTENT OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following motion was made by Council Member McKay, seconded by Council Member Breitkreuz and passed by 5-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Members Breitkreuz, Fisikelli, McKay, Jablonski, and Mayor Nelson voting Yes.

**MOTION:** TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

**13. Discussion/Motion – Gary Poliakoff Tribute**

Town Administrator Berns advised that there would be a joint meeting of the Rural Public Arts and Design Advisory Board and the Recreation, Forestry, and Natural Resources Advisory Board on October 14<sup>th</sup> to discuss a fitting tribute. He requested, and received, support from the Town Council to order and install a park bench in tribute to Town Attorney Emeritus Gary Poliakoff to be placed outside of the front entrance to Town Hall.

**14. Approval of Minutes**

- a. Minutes for August 28, 2014 – Regular Council Meeting

The following motion was made by Council Member Fisikelli, seconded by Council Member McKay and passed by 5-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Members Breitkreuz, Fisikelli, McKay, Jablonski, and Mayor Nelson voting Yes.

**MOTION:** TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

**15. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 9:47 p.m.**

*Respectfully submitted,*



*Russell Muñiz, MMC, Town Clerk*

*Adopted by the Town Council on  
this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2014.*



*Jeff Nelson, Mayor*

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