

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Southwest Ranches, Florida

Thursday 7:00 PM

February 25, 2016

13400 Griffin Road

Present:

Mayor Jeff Nelson

Vice Mayor Doug McKay

Council Member Steve Breitreuz

Council Member Freddy Fisikelli

Council Member Gary Jablonski

Andrew D. Berns, Town Administrator

Richard DeWitt, Assistant Town Attorney

Russell Muñiz, Assistant Town Administrator

Martin D. Sherwood, Town Financial Administrator

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 7:06 PM. Attendance was noted by roll call and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Comment – The following members of the public addressed the Town Council: Newell Hollingsworth and John Eastman.

4. Board Reports

None were presented.

5. Council Member Comments

Council Member Fisikelli, responding to comments made during Public Comment, indicated that maybe the bulk pickup schedule should be reexamined. He indicated that he gets bulk pickups from two different trucks routinely. He believed that the pickup starts at Sunshine Ranches and moves west. He expressed that Sunshine Ranches gets more pickups than the rest of the Town.

Council Member Breitreuz felt that the size of the three different zones needed to be looked at. He believed that service starts on the east side and then proceeds west. As the trucks move westbound they fill up somewhere around 198th Avenue or 202nd Avenue. Once filled they often do not return until the next day. He felt that the size of his bulk pickup zone might be the root cause and something that should be examined further. He took a moment to reflect on past meetings and the Public Comment section and how important it was to hold public meetings and listen to our residents.

Vice Mayor McKay spoke about his recent trip to Tallahassee for Broward Days. He thanked Aster Knight, for meeting him there. He spoke of Florida Representatives he met with and thanked while there for their efforts with the Town's requests for guardrails. He also asked to add a discussion item to be added to a future meeting regarding several vacant properties around Town and discuss what the Town Council's vision was for these sites.

Council Member Jablonski announced the upcoming Chili Cook Off on March 4th at the Equestrian Park. He also announced the Easter Egg Hunt to be held at Rolling Oaks Park on March 20th. He

also wished to add an item to a future meeting regarding the completion of the ballfields at Country Estates Park. He distributed copies of the cost estimates prepared by previous Town Engineer Clete Saunier. He believed that with current funds and additional grants the ballfields could be completed soon. He requested, and Council agreed, to direct staff for more exact costs for the ballfields.

Mayor Nelson agreed with Council Member Breitzkreuz regarding public input. He also looked forward to the Town Administrator's plan regarding bulk pickup.

6. Legal Comments

Assistant Town Attorney DeWitt indicated he had no comments.

7. Administration Comments

Town Administrator Berns indicated he would be analyzing bulk pickup further and would be looking at the numbers per zone to ascertain if the counts were higher than previously believed. He also spoke about an FDLE report received from Davie Police that he shared with Council that showed crime statistics in Florida. The report displayed year over year data for 2014 and 2015.

8. Approval of Minutes

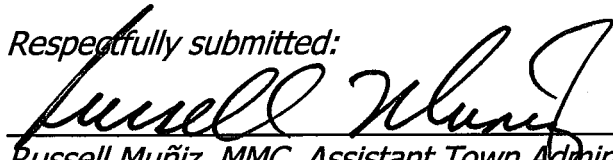
a. January 28, 2016 Regular Town Council Meeting

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

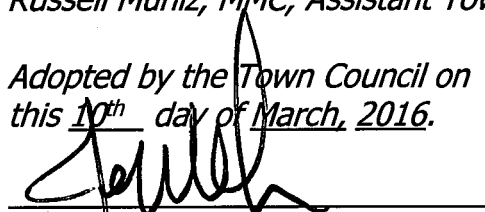
9. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Russell Muñiz, MMC, Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk

*Adopted by the Town Council on
this 10th day of March, 2016.*



Jeff Nelson, Mayor

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