

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Southwest Ranches, Florida

Thursday 7:00 PM

February 13, 2014

13400 Griffin Road

Present:

Mayor Jeff Nelson

Andrew Berns, Town Administrator

Vice Mayor Gary Jablonski

Jim Brady, Assistant Town Attorney

Council Member Doug McKay

Erika Santamaria, Town Clerk

Council Member Freddy Fisikelli

Martin Sherwood, Town Financial Administrator

Council Member Steve Breitzkreuz

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 – The Mayor and Town Council presented a proclamation to Karla Smiley from Military Heroes Support Foundation for their continuing support for military soldiers in combat and veterans.

4. Presentation – The Mayor and Town Council officially welcomed the Davie Police Department as the Town's new law enforcement provider and recognized Mayor Judy Paul.

5. Public Comment – The following members of the public addressed the Town Council: Vince Falletta, Newell Hollingsworth, Dee Schroeder, and Bob Hartmann.

6. Board Reports – Aster Knight gave an update on the Aster Knight Parks Foundation. Bob Hartmann provided a brief report on the Drainage and Infrastructure Advisory Board. Melissa Gleissner gave an update on the Schools and Education Advisory Board.

7. Council Member Comments

Council Member Fisikelli gave an update on the upcoming projects at Fishing Hole Park. He also updated the Council on his recent meeting at the MPO.

Vice Mayor Jablonski reminded the public that March 8th is Water Matters Day. He announced that there will be a Food Truck event at Hawkes Bluff Elementary School in April and the Aster Knight Parks Foundation will be hosting a Chili Cook-off at Equestrian Park, also in April.

Council Member Breitzkreuz gave an update on the traffic meeting he hosted on January 27th. He highlighted the important points made by residents in the affected area.

Mayor Nelson updated the Council on his and Town Attorney Keith Poliakoff's recent deposition with Pembroke Pines. He requested that the Council convene in a shade session in the next few weeks to discuss the litigation. He announced that the Council will have an Attorney/Executive Session on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Town Hall.

8. Legal Comments

The Assistant Town Attorney reiterated the schedule Executive Session meeting date of Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m at Town Hall. He also thanked the Council for having him there this evening.

9. Administration Comments

The Town Administrator addressed the accounting allocation of the scholarship awards to students which are issued by School and Education Advisory Board. He also updated the Council on the Town Engineer search.

10. Ordinance – Second Reading – AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR FY 2014-2018 PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 163, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; 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 Fisikelli, Breitkreuz, McKay, Vice Mayor Jablonski and Mayor Nelson voting Yes.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE.

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 Fisikelli, Breitkreuz, McKay, Vice Mayor Jablonski and Mayor Nelson voting Yes.

MOTION: TO DISCUSS ITEM 12 BEFORE DISCUSSING ITEM 11 ON THE AGENDA.

12. Discussion – RRB Asset Litigation Update

The Town Council unanimously selected the Town Administrator to represent the Town at the next Resource Recovery Board (RRB) meeting on February 20th.

11. Discussion – Retirement Options

After an extensive discussion it was the general consensus of the Town Council to pursue retirement options with ICMA 401a program.

13. Approval of Minutes

- a. Minutes for January 23, 2014 – Regular Council Meeting

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

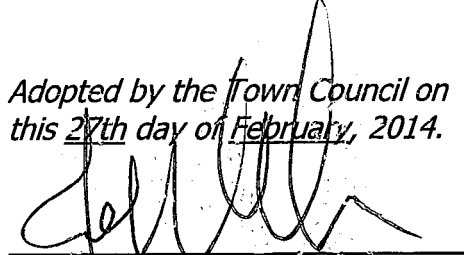
MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

14. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:


Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, CMC, Town Clerk

*Adopted by the Town Council on
this 27th day of February, 2014.*


Jeff Nelson, Mayor

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