

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Southwest Ranches, Florida

Thursday 7:00 PM

March 10, 2016

13400 Griffin Road

Present:

Vice Mayor Doug McKay

Council Member Steve Breitkreuz

Council Member Freddy Fisikelli

Council Member Gary Jablonski

Andrew D. Berns, Town Administrator

Russell Muñiz, Assistant Town Administrator

Martin D. Sherwood, Town Financial Administrator

Keith Poliakoff, Town Attorney

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 Vice Mayor McKay at 7:02 PM. Attendance was noted by roll call and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following motion was made by Council Member Breitkreuz, seconded by Council Member Fisikelli and passed by 4-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Members Breitkreuz, Fisikelli, Jablonski, and Vice Mayor McKay voting Yes.

MOTION: TO EXCUSE THE ABSENCE OF MAYOR JEFF NELSON.

3. Presentation to Juanita Romance

Vice Mayor McKay announced that due to a scheduling conflict this item would be held at the next regular meeting.

4. Public Comment – The following member of the public addressed the Town Council: Newell Hollingsworth.

5. Board Reports

Newell Hollingsworth, Chair of the Comprehensive Planning Advisory Board thanked Council Member Fisikelli for his efforts in placing 184th Avenue as a two lane road in the Long Range Transportation Plan.

Aster Knight, Chair of the Southwest Ranches Parks Foundation spoke of the Chili Cookoff event on March 5th which raised over \$3,000. He read a letter from a resident in Sunshine Ranches which complimented the conditions of Trailside Park.

6. Council Member Comments

Council Member Jablonski thanked the Boy Scouts who led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance. He spoke of Water Matters Day which was to occur on March 12th at Tree Tops Park and announced that free trees would be given away. He also announced the Easter Egg Hunt to be held at Rolling Oaks Park on March 20th.

Council Member Breitkreuz also spoke fondly about Water Matters Day and the efforts that December puts into this event. He also provided an update on the progress of the guardrail project along Griffin Road west of Bonaventure Boulevard.

Council Member Fisikelli asked if the recently erected traffic sign pole on 188th Avenue and Griffin could be made reflective. He also provided an update on the Transportation Surtax currently being evaluated by the MPO and explained how it will be implemented as currently proposed.

Vice Mayor McKay spoke about the need to have Council discussion at a future meeting regarding how C.A.P. Government calculates building permit fees. He advised that they utilize RS Means to estimate construction job values and it is expected to increase significantly in the near future. Council Member Breitkreuz agreed that this warranted further review but reminded everyone that the Town's fees would be higher than neighboring municipalities because the Town's fees are modeled on the concept of full cost recovery. Council Member Jablonski advised that he would like a workshop on this issue. Council Member Fisikelli requested that a comparison of fees among different cities be provided.

7. Legal Comments

Town Attorney Poliakoff indicated that oral arguments in the CCA v. Pines case would take place on March 15th. He advised that the case was open to the public. He also advised that a mediation would take place on April 16th in the dispute between Clark and Fardleman regarding the closure of SW 54th Place.

8. Administration Comments

Town Administrator Berns advised that with the passing of Davie Fire Chief Montopoli, Assistant Chief Michael Malvaisio is now serving as Acting Chief. As such, Assistant Chief Julie Downey would now be assuming responsibility for Southwest Ranches. Administrator Berns also introduced Sergeant Pablo Casteneda of Davie Police to provide an update on recent Southwest Ranches crime statistics outlined in the FDLE report presented at the last meeting.

9. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING THE PLIGHT OF ROBERT LEVINSON AND DEMANDING HIS SWIFT AND SAFE RETURN TO HIS FAMILY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following motion was made by Council Member Breitkreuz, seconded by Vice Mayor McKay and passed by 4-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Members Breitkreuz, Fisikelli, Jablonski, and Vice Mayor McKay voting Yes.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

10. Discussion – Proposed FY 2016-2017 Budget Calendar

Town Financial Administrator Sherwood summarized the proposed budget calendar for fiscal year 2016-2017.

The following motion was made by Council Member Breitreuz, seconded by Council Member Jablonski and passed by 4-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Members Breitreuz, Fisikelli, Jablonski, and Vice Mayor McKay voting Yes.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE BUDGET CALENDAR AS PROPOSED.

11. Approval of Minutes

a. February 25, 2016 Regular Town Council Meeting

The following motion was made by Council Member Fisikelli, seconded by Council Member Breitreuz and passed by 4-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Members Breitreuz, Fisikelli, Jablonski, and Vice Mayor McKay voting Yes.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

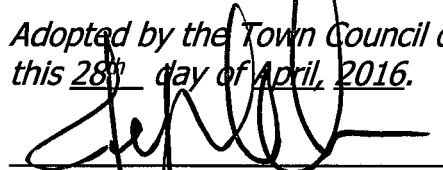
12. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Russell Muñiz, MMC, Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk

*Adopted by the Town Council on
this 28th day of April, 2016.*



Jeff Nelson, Mayor

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