

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Southwest Ranches, Florida

Thursday 7:00 PM

August 13, 2015

13400 Griffin Road

Present:

Mayor Jeff Nelson

Vice Mayor Freddy Fisikelli

Council Member Steve Breitkreuz

Council Member Doug McKay

Richard DeWitt, Assistant Town Attorney

Martin Sherwood, Town Financial Administrator

Russell Muñiz, Assistant Town 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 7:22 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 McKay and passed by 4-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Members Breitkreuz, McKay, Vice Mayor Fisikelli, and Mayor Nelson voting Yes.

MOTION: TO EXCUSE THE ABSENCE OF COUNCIL MEMBER JABLONSKI.

3. Public Comment – The following members of the public addressed the Town Council: Mike Hanley, Gay Chaples, Vince Falletta, and Newell Hollingsworth.

4. Board Reports

Gay Chaples, Chair of the Recreation, Forestry, and Natural Resources Advisory Board spoke about the Council recommendation to rename the trail on the north side of the C-11 canal in honor of the young lady who was thrown from her horse and killed. The Board felt that memorials were already available that can be utilized instead of expending Town funds to rename streets, trails, etc. The Board also discussed the sound distortion at the Rolling Oaks Barn and the need to install sound panels. Proposals would be brought back to the Town Council for approval.

5. Council Member Comments

Council Member Breitkreuz spoke about the negotiations with FPL to acquire property on 190th Avenue and asked Town Administrator Berns to provide an update. He thanked the Council for their individual efforts in getting support for guardrails on Griffin Road. Spoke of his his frustration with the Medical Examiner's office in getting information requested by Broward County Traffic Engineering.

Council Member McKay spoke about the summary provided by Town Administrator Berns regarding the options for the Southwest Ranches Volunteer Fire Rescue. He clarified that the Town was still looking at options in addition to the Broadwing site.

Vice Mayor Fisikelli felt that the Town should contact the church on SW 192nd Avenue about donating or selling us some of their property for the station.

Council Member McKay added that the School Education Advisory Board wished to expand from five members to seven or nine members. Mayor Nelson asked that this be brought to the next meeting.

Mayor Nelson spoke of a meeting being hosted by the Mayor of the City of Miramar on August 18th regarding opposition to an oil drilling permit that had been applied for in the Florida Everglades. He also spoke about a recent conversation with the Vice Chair of the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) concerning guardrails on Griffin Road. He confirmed to Mayor Nelson that the canal banks are SFWMD right-of-way, that they have expended funds for guardrails in the past, and they have collaborated with Broward County in the past to develop a plan to install guardrails. Mayor Nelson remained "cautiously optimistic" that feedback would be received on a plan to install guardrails along those sections of Griffin Road. Council Member McKay felt that the new school proposed by Pembroke Pines would create an even greater need for the guardrails.

6. Legal Comments

Assistant Town Attorney Richard DeWitt advised that Town Attorney Keith Poliakoff would return to the office on Monday August 17th.

7. Administration Comments

Town Administrator Berns advised that the Town was working with Broward County on additional speed signs for the westernmost portions of Griffin Road. He reminded the Town Council about the Budget Workshop scheduled for August 25th at 7 p.m. He provided an overview of the Town's efforts to secure the easement from FPL on SW 190th Avenue which ultimately led to an agreement to purchase the property. He hoped to bring forth a purchase and sale agreement at the next meeting.

8. Ordinance – 1ST Reading AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES CODE OF ORDINANCES, BY CREATING CHAPTER 24, ARTICLE IV, ENTITLED "PARKING, STOPPING, AND STANDING ENFORCEMENT" TO COMPLY WITH CURRENT STATE LAWS, INCLUDING THOSE APPLICABLE TO PARKING SPACES FOR DISABLED PERSONS AND TO CREATE PROCEDURES SO AS TO DELEGATE AUTHORITY FOR ENFORCEMENT AND COLLECTION OF PARKING VIOLATION FINES TO THE OFFICE OF THE BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA, CLERK OF THE COURT FOR THE SEVENTEENTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT; AUTHORIZING THE USE OF HEARING OFFICERS IN THE SYSTEM ESTABLISHED BY BROWARD COUNTY FOR SUCH PURPOSE; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE TOWN CODE, PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. **{Second reading will be held on August 27, 2015}**

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE.

- 9. Resolution** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PURCHASE ORDER TO A.C. SHULTES INC., D.B.A. JAFFER WELL DRILLING, FOR \$38,013 FOR THE INSTALLATION, TESTING AND REPAIR OF FIRE PROTECTION WATER WELLS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN ADMINISTRATOR TO EXECUTE THE FIRE WELL REPAIR PROPOSALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

- 10. Resolution** - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA OPPOSING THE OIL DRILLING PERMIT APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY KANTER REAL ESTATE LLC, A FLORIDA FOR PROFIT LIMITED LIABILITY CORPORATION, TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION SEEKING OIL DRILLING RIGHTS ON PROPERTY LOCATED IN THE FLORIDA EVERGLADES, APPROXIMATELY SIX MILES WEST OF THE CITY OF MIRAMAR'S WESTERNMOST BOUNDARIES, AND SUPPORTING EFFORTS OPPOSING EXTREME WELL STIMULATION, HYDRAULIC FRACTURING, ACID FRACTURING, AND ANY FORM OF EXTREME WELL STIMULATION FOR PURPOSES OF RESOURCE EXTRACTION IN THE FLORIDA EVERGLADES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

- 11. Approval of Minutes**
a. **July 9, 2015, Regular Town Council Meeting**

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

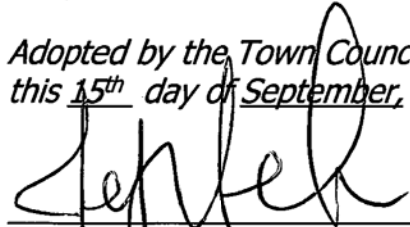
12. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Russell Muñiz, MMC, Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk

*Adopted by the Town Council on
this 15th day of September, 2015.*



Jeff Nelson, Mayor

PURSUANT TO FLORIDA STATUTES 286.0105, THE TOWN HEREBY ADVISES THE PUBLIC THAT IF A PERSON DECIDES TO APPEAL ANY DECISION MADE BY THIS COUNCIL WITH RESPECT TO ANY MATTER CONSIDERED AT ITS MEETING OR HEARING, HE OR SHE WILL NEED A RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS, AND THAT FOR SUCH PURPOSE, THE AFFECTED PERSON MAY NEED TO ENSURE THAT VERBATIM RECORD OF THE PROCEEDING IS MADE, WHICH RECORD INCLUDES THE TESTIMONY AND EVIDENCE UPON WHICH THE APPEAL IS TO BE BASED THIS NOTICE DOES NOT CONSTITUTE CONSENT BY THE TOWN FOR THE INTRODUCTION OR ADMISSION OF OTHERWISE INADMISSIBLE OR IRRELEVANT EVIDENCE, NOR DOES IT AUTHORIZE CHALLENGES OR APPEALS NOT OTHERWISE ALLOWED BY LAW.