

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

Thursday 7:00 PM

October 10, 2013

13400 Griffin Road

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Present:

Mayor Jeff Nelson

Vice Mayor Steve Breitkreuz

Council Member Gary Jablonski

Council Member Freddy Fisikelli

Council Member Doug McKay

Andrew Berns, Town Administrator

Michelle Klymko, Assistant Town Attorney

Erika Santamaria, Town Clerk

Martin 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 7:05 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: Mike Hanley, Jo Ann Hollingsworth, Mary Gay Chaples, Dee Schroeder, and Sara Hanley.

**4. Board Reports** – Mary Gay Chaples provided an oral report on the Recreation, Forestry and Natural Resources Advisory Board.

**5. Council Member Comments**

Council Member Jablonski reminded the public that the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Craft Fair at Equestrian Park on October 19<sup>th</sup>, Hazardous Waste Pick-up Event at Rolling Oaks Park on October 26<sup>th</sup>, and Rolling Oaks HOA will host the annual Halloween Party on October 31<sup>st</sup> at Rolling Oaks Park. He also announced that there will be a Food Truck event sponsored by the School Advisory Board on November 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Equestrian Park and Aster Knight Parks Foundation Annual event will take place on November 16<sup>th</sup> at the Davie School Museum. He also inquired about the delivery of the recycling carts and the Attorney General Opinion.

Council Member Fisikelli gave an update on the progress at Fishing Hole Park. Member Fisikelli also made a motion to bring back the gate closure on SW 199<sup>th</sup> Avenue for further discussion and consideration, but failed to attain a second on the motion. No further action was taken.

Vice Mayor Breitkreuz requested that legal start reviewing the legal aspect of the TSDOR project; which is the Town's roadway paving initiative. He reported on the recent traffic meeting he hosted on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Council Member McKay expressed concern on the upcoming application that Franklin Academy submitted through Pembroke Pines for approval. He stated that the Town Council should move on this effort to oppose the development since it will affect the traffic flow in the Town. The

Town Council gave general consensus to the Town Administrator and Town Attorney to pursue the matter.

Mayor Nelson also expressed concern on the Pines school development. He explained that with the Attorney General opinion it would be easier to negotiate possible contracts with neighboring communities. He also reported that recently he and his family received twenty empty envelopes with no return addresses. He stated that the matter is still under investigation and that it will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

## **6. Legal Comments**

The Assistant Town Attorney discussed the recent Attorney General opinion on municipalities within the same county contracting with neighboring cities instead of county law enforcement services. She also reported on the status of the New Testament law suits.

## **7. Administration Comments**

The Town Administrator reported on the delivery of the recycling carts to all of the residents. He provided an update on the barn at Rolling Oaks Park. The Administrator stated that he and the Town Attorney will be attending the conflict resolution meeting in reference to the Resource Recovery Board in the upcoming week.

**8. Resolution** – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA APPROVING A REVOCABLE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH BROWARD COUNTY TO ALLOW THE ROLLING OAKS COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION SIGNS TO BE LOCATED WITHIN BROWARD COUNTY’S RIGHT-OF-WAY; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

**MOTION:** TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

**9. Resolution** – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA APPROVING A REVOCABLE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH BROWARD COUNTY TO ALLOW BROWARD COUNTY TO UTILIZE THE TOWN’S RIGHT-OF-WAY FOR THE EVERGLADES HOLIDAY PARK SIGN; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE THE REVOCABLE LICENSE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

**MOTION:** TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

**10. Resolution** – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA APPROVING A ONE YEAR SOLE SOURCE AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHERN STRATEGY GROUP TO PROVIDE TALLAHASSEE GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND LOBBYING SERVICES ON BEHALF OF THE TOWN; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

**MOTION:** TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

**11. Discussion** – Surplus Volunteer Fire Department Vehicles

Assistant Chief Leslie Kastner provided the Town Council with a brief oral update on the status of the sale of the fire vehicles.

**12. Approval of Minutes**

- a. Minutes for September 26, 2013 – Budget Hearing
- b. Minutes for September 26, 2013 – Regular Council Meeting

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

**MOTION:** TO CORRECT THE MINUTES FROM BUDGET HEARING SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup> TO REFLECT THE CORRECT VOTE ON ITEM 6 AND TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 12<sup>TH</sup> AND SEPTEMBER 26<sup>TH</sup> AS AMENDED.

**15. Adjournment** – Meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted:*

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*Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, CMC, Town Clerk*

*Adopted by the Town Council on  
this 24th day of October, 2013.*

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*Jeff Nelson, Mayor*

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