

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Southwest Ranches, Florida

Thursday 7:00 PM

May 11, 2023

13400 Griffin Road

Present:

Vice Mayor Jim Allbritton

Andrew Berns, Town Administrator

Council Member Bob Hartmann

Russell Muñiz, Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk

Council Member Gary Jablonski

Emil C. Lopez, Town Financial Administrator

Council Member David S. Kuczenski

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 Allbritton at 6:58 PM. Attendance was noted by roll call and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following motion was made by Council Member Jablonski, seconded by Council Member Kuczenski and passed by a 4-0 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Members Hartmann, Jablonski, Kuczenski and Vice Mayor Allbritton voting yes.

MOTION: TO EXCUSE MAYOR BREITKREUZ'S ABSENCE.

Vice Mayor Allbritton recognized the Hawkes Bluff Elementary School Robotics Team "Robohawkes", on their Sportsman Trophy Award received at the VEX Robotics World Championship Competition.

3. Public Comment

The following members of the public addressed the Town Council: Newell Hollingsworth.

4. Board Reports

There were no Board Reports.

5. Council Member Comments

Council Member Jablonski spoke about the following upcoming Town events, the DMV FLOW mobile, the June Special Magistrate Meeting, and Town Hall being closed in observance of Memorial Day. He also stated he would like to discuss issues with the playground at Country Estates Park, at a later meeting once all Council Members are present.

Council Member Hartmann advised that Broward County Mosquito Control has been in the Town spraying and their efforts seem to be working and reducing the number of mosquitos in the area. He also brought up the Country Estates HOA will be having a BBQ over the summer, and that announcements would be made in the future regarding the details of the event. Lastly, he stated that the Country Estates HOA meetings have had increased attendance over the years because people want to be engaged and understand what is occurring in their neighborhoods.

Council Member Kuczenski provided the traffic citation statistics for the month of April.

Vice Mayor Allbritton discussed the FPL Hardening project in the Town. He stated that District 3 is well into the project with the cables in and boxes being placed on the slabs. He believes the project will be a big benefit to the Town in the future. He brought up that there are drainage projects upcoming in the Town and some of those are going to be in District 3. He stated that notices will go out from the Town to the residents, notifying them of workshops set up to discuss the projects. The last project was discussed at Town Hall, and it was a great opportunity for residents to have their questions answered. He also thanked Representative Robin Bartleman and Town staff for their efforts in obtaining grant money to pay for the projects. He informed everyone that there was another dangerous dog incident in the Town, where some animals were bitten. He stated he was glad the "Dangerous Dog Ordinance" was enacted and hopes it will stop future incidents. The Vice Mayor expressed that he had the privilege to participate in a ride along with the Town of Davie Police Department. He discussed the types of calls they responded to during the day including an "Extra Watch" check and a dangerous dog incident. He reminded everyone the Town of Davie has their "Extra Watch" program that provides extra patrols of homes while the homeowner is on vacation, and it is open to all Town residents. He once again stated that he was glad the Town has the "Dangerous Dog Ordinance" in place to protect our residents, livestock, and our lifestyle.

6. Legal Comments

Town Attorney Poliakoff had no comments.

7. Administration Comments

Town Administrator Berns had no comments.

Resolutions

8. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF FLORIDA POWER & LIGHT (FPL) TO STRENGTHEN THE POWER GRID IN SOUTHWEST RANCHES BY REPLACING OVERHEAD POWER LINES WITH UNDERGROUND LINES AND HARDENING THOSE POWERLINES THAT REMAIN TO IMPROVE RESILIENCY DURING HURRICANES AND SEVERE WEATHER EVENTS; DIRECTING THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE SENT TO THE EXTERNAL AFFAIRS MANAGER FOR FPL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AS AMENDED BY CORRECTING THE NAME OF THE "STORM SECURE UNDERGROUND PROGRAM" TO "LATERAL HARDENING UNDERGROUND PROGRAM" AND ADDING THE FOLLOWING LINE TO THE RESOLUTION TITLE: "BE SENT TO THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION".

9. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, OPPOSING A RESTRICTIVE USE NOTE AMENDMENT TO THE REGENCY PLAT, LOCATED ADJACENT TO THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, THAT WOULD ALLOW ADDITIONAL CAR

DEALERSHIP AND AUTOMOBILE STORAGE SPACE ABSENT A TRAFFIC STUDY DEMONSTRATING THAT ALL OF SW 148TH AVENUE AND ITS INTERSECTION WITH GRIFFIN ROAD WILL FUNCTION AT OR BETTER THAN THE ADOPTED LEVEL OF SERVICE ON WEEKDAYS AND SATURDAYS; DIRECTING THAT A COPY OF THIS RESOLUTION BE SENT TO THE BROWARD COUNTY COMMISSION, AND THE BROWARD COUNTY URBAN PLANNING DIVISION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

10. Approval of Minutes

- a. **March 23, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes**
- b. **April 13, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes**

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MARCH 23, 2023 AND APRIL 13, 2023 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES.

11. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Russell Muñiz, Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk

Adopted by the Town Council on this 25th day of May, 2023.



Steve Breitzkreuz, Mayor

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