

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Southwest Ranches, Florida

Thursday 7:00 PM

July 11, 2024

13400 Griffin Road

Present:

Mayor Steve Breitkreuz
Vice Mayor David S. Kuczenski
Council Member Jim Allbritton
Council Member Bob Hartmann

Russell Muñiz, Town Administrator
Dan Stewart, Deputy Town Clerk
Emil C. Lopez, Town Financial Administrator
Keith Poliakoff, Town Attorney

A 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 Breitkreuz at 7:01 PM. Attendance was noted by roll call and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

MOTION: TO EXCUSE COUNCIL MEMBER JABLONSKI'S ABSENCE.

3. Public Comment

The following members of the public addressed the Town Council: Lissa Charron, Newell Hollingsworth, John Steven Garate, and Debbie Green.

4. Board Reports

There were no Board Reports.

5. Council Member Comments

Vice Mayor Kuczenski stated that he received a letter from a Town resident thanking the Town of Davie Police Department for stopping a burglary at their home. He described the incident and said the resident called the police after seeing the home being broken into from their security cameras. He said the Town of Davie Police responded and apprehended the suspects before they could leave the area. He thanked the Town of Davie Police Department for catching the suspects and for all their hard work and service to the Town.

Council Member Hartmann stated that he was happy to announce that he had a new addition to his family and that his daughter Dawn and her husband Michael gave birth to a healthy baby boy that weighed 6lbs 14ozs.

Council Member Allbritton spoke about the new Special Magistrate, Michael Garcia, and said the Special Magistrate meeting went well and that Mr. Garcia handled it excellently. He discussed having Town residents that will be representing Team USA in the 2024 Paris Olympics in the equestrian events. He asked for a consensus from the Town Council to have a proclamation presented at the next Town Council meeting to recognize them for their achievement. The Town

Council agreed that a proclamation should be done, and Mayor Breitzkreuz asked Town Administrator Muñiz to have it presented at the next meeting.

Mayor Breitzkreuz spoke about a meeting with Broward County Property Appraiser Marty Kiar and his staff, regarding agricultural issues for the Town. He thanked them for being open to having a discussion on the matter and that they found ways to make improvements in the application process. He discussed an item from the previous Town Council Meeting regarding the City of Miramar's Resolution against the Miami-Dade County Incinerator. He thanked Council Member Hartmann for making the motion to approve the item but expressed his disappointment that there was "no second" to discuss the item. He said the reason he was disappointed was that the Town was trying to build a relationship with other municipalities regarding the Solid Waste Authority and that the City of Miramar was part of that. He stated that he was not completely comfortable with the Miramar resolution but that it deserved to be considered. He said that he would present the item as a discussion item, after Council Member Hartmann asked him if he could bring the item back before the Town Council. He spoke about the documentary, "Lessons from the Jungle", being shown at the City of Miramar City Hall Commission Chambers on Saturday, July 13, at 5:00 pm. He said it was an extra special event because the movie was created by a Town resident and the information in it will be beneficial for everyone.

6. Legal Comments

Town Attorney Poliakoff had no legal comments.

7. Administration Comments

Town Administrator Muñiz advised the Town Council that the Public Safety and Traffic Committee devised a police detail plan to provide enhanced traffic enforcement throughout the Town, and that the program would be starting July 12th. He spoke about setting up a meeting in the future with FPL, Comcast, and AT&T, regarding the hardening and restoration projects happening in the Town. He said the purpose of the meeting was to inform residents on the scope of the projects and to address any issues. Lastly, he reported that the WM recycling route for a portion of the Sunshine Ranches area was not completed today, and that residents should leave their recycling bins out overnight, as the route would be completed tomorrow.

Resolutions

8. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA ENTERING INTO A COOPERATIVE PURCHASING AGREEMENT WITH BERGERON EMERGENCY SERVICES, INC. BASED ON THE TOWN OF DAVIE'S AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE EMERGENCY DEBRIS SITES TO ACCEPT STORM RELATED VEGETATIVE DEBRIS; EXTENDING THE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR DISASTER DEBRIS MANAGEMENT AND REMOVAL SERVICES WITH BERGERON EMERGENCY SERVICES FOR AN ADDITIONAL YEAR; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION WITH THE ADDED PROVISION THAT UNLESS DIRECTED BY A SUPERIOR GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY, THE CONTRACTOR SHALL NOT INCINERATE STORM RELATED VEGETATION AND IF SUCH A DIRECTION IS GIVEN THE PREVIOUS RATES SHALL APPLY.

9. Approval of Minutes

- a. May 23, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes**
- b. June 13, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes**

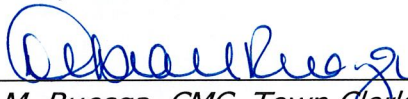
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MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MAY 23, 2024 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES AND THE JUNE 13, 2024 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Debra M. Ruesga, CMC, Town Clerk

Adopted by the Town Council on this 8th day of August, 2024.



Steve Breitkreuz, Mayor

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