

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Southwest Ranches, Florida

Thursday 7:00 PM

September 26, 2013

13400 Griffin Road

Present:

Mayor Jeff Nelson

Andrew Berns, Town Administrator

Vice Mayor Steve Breitkreuz

Keith Poliakoff, Town Attorney

Council Member Gary Jablonski

Erika Santamaria, Town Clerk

Council Member Freddy Fisikelli

Martin Sherwood, Town Financial Administrator

Council Member Doug McKay

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. Presentation – Lee Rickles, of Sun Bergeron, provided a presentation on the new curbside recycling program.

4. Public Comment – The following members of the public addressed the Town Council: Debbie Green, Newell Hollingsworth, Mary Gay Chaples, Dee Schroeder, Manny Hagen, Vince Falletta, Tracey Stathan, and Mike Hanley.

5. Board Reports – Mary Gay Chaples provided an oral report on the Recreation, Forestry and Natural Resources Advisory Board. Dee Schroeder provided a brief oral update on the Historical Society.

6. Council Member Comments

Council Member Fisikelli introduced the owners of the Faithful Horse and Animal Rescue located in Town and proceeded to discuss what the organization does and the need for volunteers. He also gave an update on the progress at Fishing Hole Park.

Council Member Jablonski reminded the public that Rolling Oaks Park will host the annual Halloween Party on October 31st. He also announced that the Aster Knight Parks Foundation Annual event will take place on November 16th at the Davie School Museum and the theme is a "Hoedown." He also inquired about the adopt-a-street program and possibly moving forward with the program.

Vice Mayor Breitkreuz thanked Martin Sherwood, Peter Brill, Andy Berns and Town staff for the preparation of the annual budget and the seamless process. He requested a timeline of construction events at Fishing Hole Park. He also reminded the public that there will be a traffic discussion at Town Hall on October 3rd at 7:00 p.m.

Council Member McKay addressed overgrown lots and how it is becoming a nuisance within the Town. He would like to place that item on the Code Enforcement's radar to provide violation notices and have a process in place for overgrown lots. It was the Town Council's general consensus to move forward with the item.

Mayor Nelson provided an update on BSO contract negotiations. He hopes to have a proposal from both BSO and the Town of Davie for law enforcement services.

7. Legal Comments

The Town Attorney also added an update on BSO contract negotiations. He provided an update on lawsuits against the Town by New Testament. One lawsuit has been dismissed and the other will be heard by a judge shortly.

8. Administration Comments

The Town Administrator reported on the negotiations with BSO for law enforcement services. He also introduced Lt. Ron Baranski due to Capt. Canada-Stuck's expedited retirement. The Administrator provided an update on Fishing Hole Park and brief timeline on upcoming construction and development projects. He also presented the Town entrance sign which will be under construction shortly on Griffin Road.

9. Resolution – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE SELECTION COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATION AND RANKING FOR A FIRE OPERATIONAL STUDY; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT, WITH PUBLIC SAFETY SOLUTIONS, INC., IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWENTY EIGHT THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$28,850.00) IN SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME FORM AS ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A"; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following motion was made by Council Member Fisikelli, 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 THE ELEVENTH AMENDMENT TO THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES AND SCOTT ISRAEL, SHERIFF OF BROWARD COUNTY, FLORIDA; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO EXECUTE SAID AMENDED AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following motion was made by Council Member McKay, seconded by Vice Mayor Breitreuz 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.

11. Resolution – A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, REESTABLISHING THE TOWN COUNCIL’S POLICY RELATING TO THE MITIGATION OF CODE ENFORCEMENT FINES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following motion was made by Vice Mayor Breitreuz, seconded by Council Member McKay and passed by 4-1 roll call vote. The vote was as follows: Council Members Jablonski, McKay, Vice Mayor Breitreuz and Mayor Nelson voting Yes; Council Member Fisikelli voting No.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

12. Discussion – Policy on Public Testimony at Public Meetings

The Town Attorney provided a background information on this item and advised the Council that items discussed during Town Council meetings are open for public discussion. He also stated that the Town was in full compliance with the Senate Bill 50.

13. Discussion – Surplus Volunteer Fire Department Vehicles

After some discussion, 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 SURPLUS THE RESCUE VEHICLE AND EARMARK PROCEEDS FOR BRUSH TRUCK.

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 ADD-ON TO THE AGENDA A RESOLUTION DECLARING PROCEDURES FOR A CONFLICT RESOLUTION INITIATION WITH BROWARD COUNTY ON THE AGREEMENT FOR CONSOLIDATED E-911 EMERGENCY SERVICES.

The Town Attorney read the item by title.

Resolution - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 164.1052, FLORIDA STATUTES, DECLARING THE INTENT OF THE TOWN COUNCIL TO INITIATE THE CONFLICT RESOLUTION PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN CHAPTER 164, FLORIDA STATUTES; FINDING THAT A CONFLICT EXISTS WITH BROWARD COUNTY AS IT RELATES TO THE COUNTY’S LEGAL OBLIGATION TO

PROVIDE COUNTYWIDE FUNDING FOR E911 COMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE PURSUANT TO SECTION 5.03 OF THE BROWARD COUNTY CHARTER; AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATE TOWN OFFICIALS TO TAKE ALL STEPS NECESSARY TO EFFECTUATE THIS RESOLUTION; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

The following motion was made by Council Member Fisikelli, 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 Breitkreuz and Mayor Nelson voting Yes.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

14. Approval of Minutes

- a. Minutes for September 12, 2013 – Budget Hearing
- b. Minutes for September 12, 2013 – Regular Council Meeting

The following motion was made by Council Member Fisikelli, 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 MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 12TH AND SEPTEMBER 26TH.

15. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Erika Gonzalez-Santamaria, CMC, Town Clerk

*Adopted by the Town Council on
this 10th day of October, 2013.*

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.