

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Southwest Ranches, Florida

Thursday 7:00 PM

November 12, 2015

13400 Griffin Road

Present:

Mayor Nelson
Vice Mayor Freddy Fisikelli
Council Member Steve Breitzkreuz
Council Member Jablonski
Council Member Doug McKay

Andy Berns, Town Administrator
Richard DeWitt, Assistant Town Attorney
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 7:12 PM. Attendance was noted by roll call and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Presentation – Matthew Cuoco – Eagle Scout

Matthew Cuoco explained his intention to build a walkway to the flagpole at the Equestrian Park.

4. Presentation – Troop 224

Penny Cuoco presented the Town with a plaque expressing appreciation for the Town's support.

5. Presentation – West Broward Lacrosse

Dan Cuoco – Varsity Lacrosse Coach for West Broward High, expressed gratitude for the Town's support in allowing his team to practice at the Equestrian Park.

6. Public Comment – The following members of the public addressed the Town Council: Carolyn Griffiths, Newell Hollingsworth, John Eastman, Debbie Green, and Aster Knight.

7. Board Reports

There were no Board reports.

8. Council Member Comments

Council Member Breitzkreuz spoke about the upcoming Ride for the Ranches Classic Car Show on November 14th at the Rolling Oaks Barn.

Council Member McKay indicated that November was Veterans month and urged residents to place a green light in front of their homes to honor veterans. He hoped to promote this idea next year so that more residents would do the same. He also spoke about the upcoming Car Show and indicated that he would be in the "dunk tank" to help raise funding for the Parks Foundation.

Vice Mayor Fisikelli indicated that at the most recent MPO meeting TIGER Grants were discussed and there were some he wanted to pursue because they seem to favor "rural" areas. He indicated that a letter of support from the Town for MPO's initiative to increase the number of voting members was needed.

Council Member Jablonski indicated that the MPOs request for TIGER grant funding for the bike path along Griffin Road was rejected.

Mayor Nelson thanked staff for the efforts related to the Town Birthday Party celebration on November 7th. He felt the event was a big success.

9. Legal Comments

Assistant Town Attorney DeWitt offered no comments.

10. Administration Comments

Town Administrator Berns assured the residents and the Town Council that he would investigate the comments brought up during public comments. He spoke about the TIGER grant application submitted by the MPO which contained a request for the bike path along the western portion of Griffin Road. He thanked the Volunteer Fire Department, Davie Police, Bob Hartmann, George Morris, and staff for their efforts relative to the Town's Birthday Party held on November 7th. He advised that the guardrails on Stirling Road would be installed next week and the guardrails along Griffin Road would be installed in March 2016. Lastly, he advised that the Town of Southwest Ranches Family Fun Horse Show will be held at the Sunshine Ranches Equestrian Park on December 12th and thanked Jo Ann Hollingsworth for her leadership with this event.

11. Resolution - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, APPOINTING COUNCIL MEMBER DOUG MCKAY AS THE NEW VICE MAYOR OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE DOUG MCKAY AS THE NEW VICE MAYOR AND APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

12. Resolution - A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, APPROVING A YEAR END BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2014/2015 BUDGET; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.

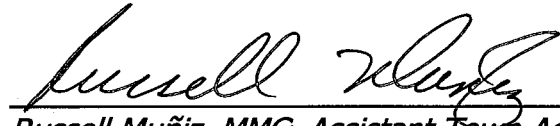
13. Approval of Minutes
a. October 8, 2015, Regular Town Council Meeting

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

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.

14. Adjournment – Meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Russell Muñiz, MMC, Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk

*Adopted by the Town Council on
this 10th day of December, 2015.*



Jeff Nelson, Mayor

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