

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL
Southwest Ranches, Florida

Thursday 7:00 PM

September 27, 2018

13400 Griffin Road

Present:

Mayor Doug McKay

Vice Mayor Freddy Fisikelli

Council Member Steve Breitkreuz

Council Member Gary Jablonski

Council Member Denise Schroeder

Andy Berns, Town Administrator

Russell Muñiz, Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk

Martin D. Sherwood, Town Financial Administrator

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 Mayor McKay at 7:15 PM. Attendance was noted by roll call and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Public Comment

The following members of the public addressed the Town Council: Newell Hollingsworth, David Kuczenski, Tony Browne, Scott Smith, Jorge Martinez, and Debbie Green.

5. Board Reports

Debbie Green

6. Council Member Comments

Council Member Jablonski advised of upcoming events, Country Roads Arts & Crafts Festival on Oct. 20th, the DMV FLOW Mobile on Oct. 25th and Nov. 15th. He added that the ROCA Halloween event at the Barn is on Oct. 27th, and the Broward County Property Appraiser Outreach on Oct. 15th and Nov. 1st. Lastly, he informed that the Parks Foundation Car & Chili Festival will be held on Nov. 17th.

Council Member Schroeder commented on the Dark Sky Ordinance. She suggested that the Town be more proactive on this issue going forward. She commended Parks, Recreation and Open Space Manager, December Lauretano-Haines, about the scheduling of the parks' grass being cut before Town events.

Council Member Breitkreuz recognized Sunshine Ranches HOA's donation to the SEAB Scholarship Fund.

Vice Mayor Fisikelli offered no comments.

Mayor McKay informed that he met with Town Attorney Poliakoff, Town Administrator Berns, Assistant Town Administrator/Town Clerk Muñiz, Town Engineer Ley and resident Jorge Martinez to discuss issues with the Griffin 345 gate. He explained that the gate is built, but not functional, the keypad cannot be reached unless you get out of the car. Mayor McKay directed Town

Administrator Berns and Town Attorney Poliakoff to meet with residents Scott Smith and Jorge Martinez before following up with the Griffin 345 Association to work together towards a resolution that is acceptable to Council prior to finalizing the gate and the last payment of the grant.

Council Member Breitzkreuz reminded Mayor McKay that there is a significant increase in the amount of traffic on Griffin Road and 190th Ave. and that FDOT should be notified. He commented that the Mayor and resident, Jorge Martinez are on the right track with the Griffin 345 Association gate issue. The Mayor replied that he was going to pursue that issue. Mayor McKay informed the Council that he received a phone call from the Vice Mayor of Davie, Bryan Caletka stating that Department of Transportation can override the Town and install a traffic light on Griffin and I-75 if they feel there is a safety concern. Council Member Breitzkreuz opined that he is not in favor of FDOT putting a traffic light. He feels that it would be even more hazardous if a traffic light was put there. Mayor McKay announced that he will attend the Town of Davie Council meeting where a resolution related to the traffic issue will be discussed.

Lastly, Mayor McKay shared some slides of a horse trail and arena which he bought from a friend who sold it to the Town for \$5.

7. Legal Comments

Town Attorney Poliakoff announced that at the next Town Council meeting on Oct 11th, there will be a first reading of the retail nursery landscape commercial operation ordinance. He encouraged everyone to attend the meeting.

8. Administration Comments

Town Administrator Berns advised that an upcoming Pesticide Safety Training will be held on Oct. 9th at Town Hall, and an EPA approved Train the Trainer Certification class on Oct. 10th. He advised that Waste Pro is on notice and penalties will be enforced. Lastly, Town Administrator Berns recognized Town Financial Administrator Martin Sherwood for his efforts in the things that he does to keep things going in the right direction for the Town.

Resolutions

9. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF SOUTHWEST RANCHES, FLORIDA, RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE BROWARD COUNTY LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION TO ADOPT A LOCAL BILL TO PREVENT A MUNICIPALITY IN BROWARD COUNTY FROM ATTEMPTING TO ANNEX LANDS LOCATED WITHIN ANOTHER MUNICIPALITY WITHOUT THAT MUNICIPALITY'S CONSENT, AND FROM PURCHASING LANDS LOCATED WITHIN ANOTHER MUNICIPALITY WITHOUT THAT MUNICIPALITY'S CONSENT; AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR, TOWN ADMINISTRATOR, AND TOWN ATTORNEY TO SUBMIT A LOCAL BILL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

MOTION: TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION.


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

10. Approval of Minutes

- a. September 12, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes
- b. September 12, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes

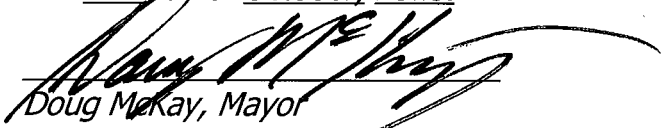
11. Adjournment - Meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted:



Ivette Solera, Deputy Town Clerk

*Adopted by the Town Council on
this 25th day of October, 2018.*



Doug McKay, Mayor

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