

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE TOWN COUNCIL**  
**Southwest Ranches, Florida**

Thursday 7:00 PM

August 9, 2018

13400 Griffin Road

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Present:

Mayor Doug McKay

Vice Mayor Freddy Fisikelli

Council Member Steve Breitreuz

Council Member Gary Jablonski

Council Member Denise Schroeder

Andy Berns, Town Administrator

Ivette Solera, Deputy Town Clerk

Martin D. Sherwood, Town Financial Administrator

Richard DeWitt, Deputy 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 7:01 PM. Attendance was noted by roll call and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Public Comment**

The following members of the public addressed the Town Council: Newell Hollingsworth, David Kuczenski, and Omar Kahn, and Mike Hanley.

**4. Board Reports**

None were presented.

**5. Council Member Comments**

Council Member Jablonski advised of upcoming events including the Parks Board Bingo Night on August 13<sup>th</sup>, Property Appraiser Outreach on August 20<sup>th</sup>, Budget Workshop on August 21<sup>st</sup>, and the Household Hazardous Waste at the Park on September 8<sup>th</sup>. He also spoke about the waste pickup zones, and suggested that they change the pickup zones to numbers instead of letters. He opined that this would make it easier for residents to remember their zone.

Council Member Schroeder thanked everyone for coming. She spoke about the charter amendments and stated that she does not agree with the 5-0 vote. She stressed the importance of protecting the Town's rural lifestyle so that it doesn't become a commercial area.

Council Member Breitreuz spoke about Waste Pro's level of service. He said that it was unacceptable. He also spoke about the charter amendments and how important it is to get out and vote in order to maintain our rural lifestyle.

The Mayor brought up an issue where residents are buying property in Town and then living in their trailers or RV's on site while their house is being built. He would like to see Code Enforcement be proactive instead of reactive to stop future residents from doing the same.

Community Development Director Robert Solera informed that this issue is indeed a violation of the Code, however, code enforcement in Town is reactive not proactive per Council. He asked the

Council if they would prefer a more proactive approach on this issue. The Council replied that they would like code enforcement to be proactive on this issue going forward.

Also, the Mayor opined that the charter amendments should not be a 5-0 vote. He urged to residents to vote "No" on the two items. He also announced that Bob Hartmann and John Eastman are running for Council.

Vice Mayor Fisikelli had no comments.

## **6. Legal Comments**

Deputy Town Attorney Richard DeWitt announced an upcoming Shade Session which will take place on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 6 pm. The litigation to be discussed was styled as CACE 15-008766 Town of Southwest Ranches Wesley J. Clark Jr., Amy Clark, Robert and Joan Bartleman vs. City of Pembroke Pines.

## **7. Administration Comments**

Town Administrator Berns spoke about a matter that Mike Hanley brought up earlier but was advised not to speak in detail about it. An elderly resident from a group home out west was in distress, but our officers were not able to respond to the call because they were on the other side of Town dealing with another incident at the time. Two additional officers, not from the Town, were called but since they were not familiar with the Town they had a hard time finding the address to the group home where the resident was in distress.

Mr. Berns added that he and Town Financial Administrator Martin Sherwood are hard at work getting ready for the Budget workshop presentation scheduled for next week.

## **8. Approval of Minutes**

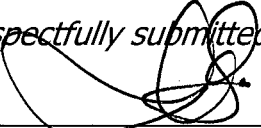
### **a. July 12, 2018 – Regular Meeting**

The following motion was made by Vice Mayor Fisikelli, 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.

**MOTION: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES.**

**12. Adjournment** - Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 PM.

*Respectfully submitted:*



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*Ivette Solera, Deputy Town Clerk*

*Adopted by the Town Council on  
this 12<sup>th</sup> day of Sept. 2018.*



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*Doug McKay, Mayor*

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