

**MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2008**

The Regular Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, March 11, 2008, in the City Hall, City Council Chambers, 9199 113th Street North, Seminole, Florida.

Thomas Barnhorn, Vice Mayor, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Vice Mayor Barnhorn followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present were: Councilors John Counts, Patricia Hartstein, Dan Hester, Peter Hofstra and Bob Matthews; Vice Mayor Thomas Barnhorn; City Attorney John Elias; City Manager Frank Edmunds and Deputy City Clerk Ginger Stilton. Mayor James Johnson asked to be excused.

Vice Mayor Barnhorn asked for a motion from Council to excuse Mayor Johnson from attending this meeting and future meetings until he recovers from surgery in accordance with the City Charter, Section 3.07.

Motion by Councilor Matthews, second by Councilor Hartstein to excuse Mayor Johnson.

ROLL CALL:	COUNCILOR COUNTS	AYE
	COUNCILOR HARTSTEIN	AYE
	COUNCILOR HESTER	AYE
	COUNCILOR HOFSTRA	AYE
	COUNCILOR MATTHEWS	AYE
	VICE MAYOR BARNHORN	AYE

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Ms. Rene Flowers, Program Manager of Neighborly Care Network's EZride Program, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the services offered through this transportation service for persons age 55 and older who are disabled, and seniors age 65 or older.

1. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Michael McKean, 7571 Ridge Road, spoke regarding the speed of vehicles on Old Ridge Road between Park Boulevard and 113th Street.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 26, 2008.

Motion by Councilor Hofstra, second by Councilor Hester to approve the minutes of February 26, 2008.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION

3. CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING. CONSIDER A SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 13-2008 REGARDING A CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROGRAM FUND TRANSFER.

The Deputy City Clerk read Ordinance No. 13-2008 by title only.

Vice Mayor Barnhorn opened the Public Hearing. Receiving no public comment, the Public Hearing was closed.

Motion by Councilor Hartstein, second by Councilor Matthews to adopt Ordinance No. 13-2008 on Second and Final Reading.

ROLL CALL:	COUNCILOR COUNTS	AYE
	COUNCILOR HARTSTEIN	AYE
	COUNCILOR HESTER	AYE
	COUNCILOR HOFSTRA	AYE
	COUNCILOR MATTHEWS	AYE
	VICE MAYOR BARNHORN	AYE

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. CONSIDER A FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 14-2008 REQUIRING THE ALLOCATION OF INTEREST EARNED ON THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DESIGNATION AND THE UNDESIGNATED FUND BALANCE TO THE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS DESIGNATION.

The Deputy City Clerk read Ordinance No. 14-2008 by title only.

Motion by Councilor Matthews, second by Councilor Hofstra to approve Ordinance No. 14-2008 on First Reading.

ROLL CALL:	COUNCILOR COUNTS	AYE
	COUNCILOR HARTSTEIN	AYE
	COUNCILOR HESTER	AYE
	COUNCILOR HOFSTRA	AYE
	COUNCILOR MATTHEWS	AYE
	VICE MAYOR BARNHORN	AYE

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS:

Councilor Hartstein reported she attended the presentation of the Architectural Standards to the business community, and complimented Community Development Director Ely on his presentation of the

information. Councilor Hartstein stated she was disappointed in the turnout at the meeting but, sensed a very positive feeling from those in attendance that the City is on the right path.

Councilor Hofstra reported he attended the Architectural Standards Meeting, and he concurred on the comments of Councilwoman Hartstein.

Councilor Counts reported he attended the Opening Day for Seminole Little League.

Vice Mayor Barnhorn reported he attended: the Friends of Library Annual Membership Luncheon, the Pow Wow Festival Run, the Architectural Standards Meeting, the Mayors' Council Meeting, and the Congressional Cities Conference in Washington D.C. Vice Mayor Barnhorn advised Council he will be requesting a workshop to discuss an issue addressed at the Conference.

6. CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

Deputy Beverly Ireland gave an update on the activities of the Community Policing Officers.

City Manager Edmunds stated he previously advised Council and Staff that Pinellas County has extended an opportunity to the City to name the new park around the base of water tower. A number of suggestions have been received, and the selection of a name will be scheduled as an action item for Council's next business meeting.

City Manager Edmunds reminded Council there is a host of activities scheduled for this weekend during the Pow Wow Festival.

7. OLD BUSINESS: None

8. NEW BUSINESS:

Councilor Matthews reported he represented the City Council at Seminole Presbyterian Church in recognition of Girl Scout Sunday.

9. CONSIDER A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Councilor Hester, second by Councilor Hartstein to adjourn.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION

Date Approved: _____

Lesley DeMuth, City Clerk

Thomas Barnhorn, Vice Mayor