

**MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2009**

The Regular Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, February 24, 2009, in the City Hall, City Council Chambers, 9199 113th Street North, Seminole, Florida.

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

ROLL CALL:

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

INTRODUCTIONS AND PRESENTATIONS: Mayor Johnson presented a Proclamation to Recreation Director Sheets in honor of the 41st Anniversary of the Pow Wow Festival and Parade, whereby proclaiming March 7th through March 15, 2009 as “Pow Wow Festival and Parade Week”.

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** None.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING FEBRUARY 10, 2009.**

Motion by Councilor Hartstein, second by Councilor Matthews to approve the minutes of February 10, 2009.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION.

3. **CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING. CONSIDER A SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 01-2009 REGARDING ADOPTION OF COMMERCIAL CORRIDOR ARCHITECTURAL STANDARDS.**

The Deputy City Clerk read Ordinance No. 01-2009 by title only.

Mayor Johnson opened the Public Hearing. Receiving no Public Comment, the Public Hearing was closed.

Motion by Councilor Hofstra, second by Councilor Counts to adopt Ordinance No. 01-2009 on Second and Final Reading.

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mayor Johnson stated we would like to extend our sincere gratitude to the Advisory Committee who assisted City Council on this project, recognizing Dr. Frank Moss, Ron Mason, Lisa Crimella, Dr. Sandra Jean Lilo, and Josh Beyer. Committee Member Joan Carvajal, in attendance this evening, stood up and was recognized.

4. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 03-2009 IN SUPPORT OF AN AMENDMENT TO FLORIDA'S CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE TO OPERATE UNDER THE FLORIDA GOVERNMENT IN THE SUNSHINE LAW.

Motion by Vice Mayor Barnhorn, second by Councilor Matthews to approve Resolution No. 03-2009.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION.

5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 04-2009 SUPPORTING THE TAMPA BAY REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL'S RECOMMENDATION TO ENCOURAGE THE GOVERNOR AND STATE LEGISLATURE TO RETAIN EGMONT KEY STATE PARK WITHIN THE STATE'S PARK SYSTEM.

Motion by Councilor Matthews, second by Councilor Hartstein to approve Resolution No. 04-2009.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION.

6. CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND EXISTING INFRASTRUCTURE SURTAX FUNDS NOT TO EXCEED \$14,000 FOR ABESTOES ABATEMENT AND THE DEMOLITION OF THREE BUILDINGS ON THE FORMER OGOREK PROPERTY.

Motion by Councilor Counts, second by Vice Mayor Barnhorn to authorize the City Manager to expend existing Infrastructure Surtax Funds not to exceed \$14,000 for Abestoes Abatement and the demolition of three buildings on the former Ogorek property.

Councilor Hartstein questioned the differing amounts listed on the proposals. City Manager Edmunds explained that two proposals are being utilized to cover the Abestoes Abatement and the other for the demolition, but the total amount is not to exceed \$14,000.

Councilor Hester asked the Manager to define the Infrastructure Surtax Fund. City Manager Edmunds explained that it is the Penny for Pinellas monies and added; the request is to use existing Penny for Pinellas monies-not future Penny money.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION.

7. CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE TWO SEPARATE ENGAGEMENT CONTRACTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$350 AND \$500 RESPECTIVELY, FOR MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT DURING THE 2009 POW WOW FESTIVAL.

Motion by Councilor Counts, second by Vice Mayor Barnhorn to authorize the City Manager to execute Engagement Contracts with “Espree de Kor” and “Exit 28” in the amounts of \$350 and \$500 respectively, for musical entertainment during the 2009 Pow Wow Festival.

Councilor Counts asked if these two groups were the only bands playing. Recreation Director Sheets explained other bands have been scheduled, for Friday night, Saturday afternoon and Sunday, intermingled with a lot of community entertainment provided by local youth groups.

UNANIMOUS APPROVAL BY ACCLAMATION.

8. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS.

- Vice Mayor Barnhorn:

Attended the Seminole Chamber Business Education Workshop; Two Charter Review Meetings; Fit Over Fifty Event at the Recreation Center (Hats off to Jim Sheets, Duane Crandall and the crew for a job well done); and the last School Partnership Committee Meeting. Presented a proclamation to the Cub Scout Pack 340 recognizing Den # 8, Pinewood Derby Day, where the City’s Fire Department provided lessons on the fire engine and its components. Also attended the Suncoast League of Cities Meeting in Tallahassee and met with Representative Janet Long. Spoke to the Harbor Lights community group; gave a tour of City Hall to another group of Cub Scouts and attended Representative Janet Long’s Open House last night.

- Mayor Johnson:

Reported he attended a luncheon at Starkey Elementary School and Representative Janet Long’s Open House. Mayor Johnson took a moment to apologize for skipping over an item this evening at the beginning of the meeting, explaining that he has experienced trouble with his eyes since his surgery.

9. CITY MANAGER REPORTS.

- EMS Agreement:

City Manager Edmunds outlined the issues and potential impact to the City regarding the February 17, 2009 official written notice of Termination of the 2007 ALS First Responder Agreement, received from the Executive Director of the Pinellas County EMS Authority.

- Fire District Budgets:

City Manager Edmunds reported on the impact to Fire District Budgets with regard to City and County millage rates referenced in the February 16, 2009 correspondence from the County Administrator.

10. OLD BUSINESS. None.

11. NEW BUSINESS.

Councilor Hester asked the City Manager about the status of the False Alarm Ordinance, and if there was any action the Council needed to take. City Manager Edmunds confirmed that the Ordinance was adopted, and that the Sheriff’s Office will proceed with a public information/awareness campaign to provide businesses with sufficient notice, and will be

monitoring the false alarms. City Manager Edmunds stated no action is required by the City Council.

12. CONSIDER A MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT.

Motion by Councilor Hofstra, second by Vice Mayor Barnhorn to adjourn.

Date Approved: _____

Ginger Stilton, CMC
Deputy City Clerk

James Johnson
Mayor