

**BUSINESS MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
February 14, 2023**

The Business Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, at 6:00 p.m., in City Hall, City Council Chambers, 9199 - 113th Street North, Seminole, Florida.

Mayor Waters called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Councilor Chris Burke provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT

Mayor Leslie Waters, Vice Mayor Roger Edelman, Councilor Thom Barnhorn, Councilor Chris Burke, Councilor Olliver, Councilor Jim Quinn, Councilor Trish Springer, City Manager Ann Toney-Deal, City Attorney Jay Daigneault and City Clerk Ann Marie Mancuso.

PRESENTATIONS

2023 STATE OF THE CITY: MAYOR LESLIE WATERS

Mayor Waters presented a 2023 State of the City address. She highlighted areas such as making note that Seminole is debt free, and taxes have been the same for the past sixteen (16) years; she praised management; identified businesses, civic clubs, the Greater Seminole Area Chamber of Commerce, the Seminole Historical Museum, and City volunteers. She also announced that as a result of the most recent Strategic Planning session, a new motto for Seminole emerged: "The City You Never Want to Leave."

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ray Beliveau, 10286 – 118th Street North, Seminole. Mr. Beliveau expressed his appreciation to Council and Staff for recognizing all of the City volunteers at the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner. He gave accolades to City Clerk, Ann Marie Mancuso for going above and beyond in coordinating the evening and stated that it made them all feel very special.

Cory O'Hanlon, 9097 Saint Andrews Drive, Seminole. Mr. Hanlon spoke on the subject of basketball hoops being used by the children in his neighborhood. He stated that he received a code violation from the City for a permanent basketball hoop. He was seeking clarification on placement of the hoop and whether it was allowed.

Mike Stofer, 9058 Saint Andrews Drive, Seminole. Mr. Stofer stated that he has a portable basketball hoop that sits on a storm drain for the last seven (7) years and just recently received a notice from the City's Code Enforcement Department to remove the goal from the right-a-way. He is seeking clarification as to why he is being asked to remove it.

Dr. Robert D. Burg, 9009 Baywood Park Drive, Seminole. He is a member of the Seminole United Methodist Church and they are in the process of restoring the log cabin that sits across from the church on the corner of 54th Avenue and Seminole Boulevard. He inquired whether the City can get involved to assist financially with the restoration.

2. **CONSENT AGENDA**

A. BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES: JANUARY 24, 2023.

B. WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES: JANUARY 24, 2023.

C. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE FIREWORKS CONTRACT WITH SKY CANDY FIREWORKS TO PROVIDE THE FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT THE 2023 ANNUAL POW WOW FESTIVAL.

Motion made by Councilor Olliver, seconded by Councilor Burke to approve items 2.A. through 2.C. of the Consent Agenda.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **ACTION ITEMS**

A. DECLARE AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZE THE SALE OF A 2004 CAROLINA SKIFF BOAT, WITH 2014 4-STROKE YAMAHA 115HP OUTBOARD MOTOR AND 2014 MAGIC TILT DUAL AXLE TRAILER.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the new fire/rescue boat has arrived and the old boat is no longer needed. Staff is requesting permission to surplus it on GovDeals and allow City employees to submit bids if they so desire.

Motion made by Councilor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to declare as surplus, a 2004 Carolina Skiff boat, with 2014 4-stroke Yamaha 115HP outboard motor and 2014 Magic Tilt dual axle trailer., and allow City employees to submit bids.

Roll Call

Mayor Waters	AYE
Vice Mayor Edelman	AYE
Councilor Barnhorn	AYE
Councilor Burke	AYE
Councilor Olliver	AYE
Councilor Quinn	AYE
Councilor Springer	AYE

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilor Barnhorn – Councilor Barnhorn attended the Suncoast League of Cities monthly meeting; attended the memorial service of local business owner Janet Doudna; attended the Seminole City Center First Friday; virtually attended the National League of Cities meeting on sustainability; joined the CERT team and directed parking for the Seminole Fire/Rescue Open House; attended a Florida League of Mayor’s webinar on the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law; attended the ribbon cutting for the Salty Pelican; attended the Suncoast League of Cities Suncoast Center Success Breakfast; attended the Pinellas County Teacher of the Year awards ceremony; attended the Keep Pinellas Beautiful Awards Luncheon; attended the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner; attended the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council meeting.

Councilor Burke – Councilor Burke attended a Forward Pinellas Board Meeting.

Vice Mayor Edelman – Vice Mayor Edelman attended the Suncoast League of Cities meeting in Tampa; attended the Seminole Fire/Rescue Open House; attended the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner; he also sent information to the Florida League of Cities in reference to Legislative Bills.

Councilor Olliver – Councilor Olliver attended the Seminole Chamber of Commerce after hours mixer; the Seminole City Center First Friday; attended the Seminole Fire/Rescue Open House; ribbon cutting for the Salty Pelican; attended the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner; attended Councilor Barnhorn’s retirement party; virtually attended the Florida League of Cities, “Cities Strong” monthly webinar; attended the PSTA Board meeting.

Councilor Quinn – Councilor Quinn attended the Seminole Fire/Rescue Open House; the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner; attended Councilor Barnhorn’s retirement party; and coordinated a pancake breakfast at Seminole Gardens.

Councilor Springer – Councilor Springer stated that she is currently reviewing the Legislative Bills; she announced that the Suncoast League of Cities next meeting is February 17, 2023, with the location to be announced; she attended the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, attended Councilor Barnhorn’s retirement party.

Mayor Waters – Mayor Waters attended the Pinellas County Mayors Council monthly luncheon/meeting; attended Central Pinellas Chamber of Commerce’s Annual Meeting; attended the Seminole Gardens Pancake Breakfast; attended the Seminole Fire/Rescue Open House; virtually attended the Florida League of Cities webinar on Legislative Priorities; attended the Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner.

5. CITY MANAGER REPORT

A. COMMUNITY POLICING REPORT

Community policing officer Deputy Alex Siem thanked the City for allowing the Pinellas County Sheriff’s Office to attend and participate in the Seminole Fire/Rescue Annual Open House. He announced that he attended a crisis intervention class.

B. STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

City Manager Toney-Deal distributed a one-year Bold Action Plan, as a result of the Strategic Planning Session. She explained that the plans from each of the categories are on-going and that if any of the Council members had any questions or input, to feel free to notify her.

- City Manager Toney-Deal thanked interim Chief William Morelli, Fire Marshall Sanja Mugenski and staff for a great Seminole Fire/Rescue Open House. She also noted that life vests were distributed for children at the Open House.
- City Manager Toney-Deal advised Council that she was just recently recertified as a credentialed City Manager through the International City Managers Association.
- Mayor Waters inquired as to the date of the budget workshop. Finance Director Allison Broihier stated that it is usually scheduled for the 3rd week of July. Council will be notified of that date, and this year it will be held on a Friday.
- Councilor Springer inquired as to whether there will be an Annual Retreat/Workshop for Council. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that most likely there will not be an annual Retreat/Workshop due to the fact that the Strategic Plan may substitute for that.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Councilor Edelman expressed concern on the following items:

- In reference to the basketball hoops in the rights-of-ways, he felt that in certain situations, it could be overlooked if it is a dead-end street.
- He also expressed concern in reference to the interest of annexations of the area of Canterbury Chase.

- He also spoke in reference to the SYAA property and stated that he spoke to Pinellas County Commissioner Janet Long and he got the impression that the Pinellas County Commission would potentially consider having the City of Seminole involved in the process in some way.

City Attorney Daigneault stated that the City of Seminole has an Ordinance that prohibits encroachments in the rights-of-way. He stated a piece of sports equipment located in the rights-of-way can present significant liability for the City.

Councilor Olliver stated the following:

- He announced that the Pinellas County Commission will be having a workshop in reference to the SYAA property on February 23, 2023.
- In reference to the basketball hoops, it is his hope that the City and the residents can come to a resolution.
- Councilor Olliver feels that the City should be doing everything they can to assist the Canterbury Chase residents to help them annex into the City.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that it is a large area, and the Council policy to proceed is to have the 55% of the owners sign a petition. Currently the Canterbury effort has reached 31%.

She also stated that when the 55% is reached that a cost analysis has to be completed and it has to be presented to the Pinellas County Commission.

In response to a Councilors inquiry about voluntary verses involuntary annexation, she stated that it would not be considered a voluntary annexation unless 100% of the residents agreed to it.

Councilor Burke expressed concern over the Canterbury Chase annexation request. He stated that the City should assist them in their effort and it is their responsibility to meet the threshold of the 55%.

Councilor Burke stated that the City of Seminole is missing a representative on the Seminole Youth Athletic Association (SYAA) Board and he nominated Al Shields. City Manager Toney-Deal reminded Council that Al Shields does not meet the requirements because he lives outside of the SYAA district. Councilor Burke asked that the City find someone who lives in the district to fill the seat.

Councilor Burke stated that Whit Blanton of Forward Pinellas sent an email regarding the Safe Streets Pinellas Countywide Agreement and to date, they have not received a signature from the City of Seminole.

Councilor Burke spoke with Brian Hunter of the Florida Department of Transportation, and they would like to partner with Seminole to work on the median improvements on Seminole Boulevard.

Councilor Edelman stated that he noticed that the traffic was backed up on Park Boulevard due to the line of cars at Chick-fil-A. He stated that he was notified by a member of Corporate of Chick-fil-A and they stated they could not get answers from the City. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that she is surprised to hear that a member of corporate would call a Council member on this, as Corporate was the one to put this project on hold, as this project is managed by Corporate. They have just recently put the project back into action, and Community Development Director Wesley Wright has been in contact with Mr. Malinowski, franchise owner of the Park Boulevard Chick-fil-A in question, to keep him updated.

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion made by Councilor Burke, seconded by Councilor Olliver to nominate city resident Trish Haynes to the Seminole Youth Athletic Association (SYAA) Board.

Mayor Waters opened the floor for Public Comment.

Receiving no requests from the public to speak, Mayor Waters closed the floor for Public Comment

Ms. Haynes accepted the nomination.

All in favor. Motion passed.

Addie Clark, 400 Ashley Drive, Tampa, spoke on behalf of Chick-fil-A. Ms. Clark stated that there was a call with Engineering consultant firm Kimley Horn on February 10, 2023, and there is currently a process in place right now to work with the City on a site plan.


8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Date Approved: 2-28-2023



Minutes prepared by City Clerk
Ann Marie Mancuso, CMC


Leslie Waters, Mayor