

**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES  
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL  
January 9, 2024**

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The Business Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, January 9, 2024, 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 Trish Springer provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT**

Mayor Leslie Waters, Vice Mayor Chris Burke, Councilor Thom Barnhorn, Councilor Ray Beliveau, Councilor Mark Ely (following Oath of Office) Councilor Jim Quinn, Councilor Trish Springer, City Manager Ann Toney-Deal, Assistant City Attorney Jeremy Simon and City Clerk Ann Marie Mancuso. Absent: City Attorney Jay Daigneault.

**OATH OF OFFICE**

Mark Ely was administered the Oath of Office by Assistant City Attorney Jeremy Simon.

**PRESENTATIONS**

**SEMINOLE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE QUARTERLY REPORT.**

Seminole Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Randi Nash-Ortiz presented the quarterly report for the Seminole Chamber of Commerce.

**GRANT PRESENTATIONS:**

KEEP PINELLAS BEAUTIFUL – Rescheduled due to inclement weather.

BAUDER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, SEMINOLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, AND STARKEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - Vice Mayor Chris Burke recognized the following elementary schools and presented its Principals each with a \$750 grant: Bauder Elementary School Principal Jodi Leichman, Seminole Elementary School Principal Lou Cerreta, and Starkey Elementary School Principal Audrey Beekman. Oakhurst Elementary and Orange Grove Elementary both rescheduled due to inclement weather.

**1. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NONE

## 2. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES: DECEMBER 19, 2023.
- B. WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES: DECEMBER 19, 2023.
- C. COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES: JANUARY 4, 2024.
- D. RECREATION ADVISORY BOARD REAPPOINTMENT OF KADI HENDRICKS TUBBS.
- E. REAPPOINT RICHARD SCHOMP TO THE SEMINOLE MUNICIPAL FIREFIGHTERS' PENSION TRUST FUND BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve items A. through E. of the Consent Agenda.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

## 3. ACTION ITEMS

### A. RESOLUTION NO. 01-2024: SELECTION OF CHARTER REVIEW COMMITTEE.

City Clerk Mancuso read Resolution No. 01-2024 by title only.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the City Charter establishes a process of the selection of a Charter Review Committee, and states that appointment of the committee be made by January of 2024. The City Attorney has drafted a Resolution, and upon adoption of the Resolution, the Council will follow the process.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Quinn to adopt Resolution No. 01-2024.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. RESOLUTION NO. 01-2024.**

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that each Council member should submit a primary person, and then two (2) alternates. The names need to be submitted by January 16, 2024.

Assistant City Attorney Jeremy Simon stated the names submitted for selection cannot be a Charter Official. Also, anyone serving on a board that completes a Form 1 is not recommended.

Motion made by Councilor Beliveau, seconded by Councilor Ely to submit a background/summary with the names.

**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### 4. CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Mayor Waters stated that at the last City Council meeting, she recommended that City Council Reports be eliminated from the agenda. If a Councilor wants to submit a report, they can submit it to the City Clerk. However, if a Council member attended a conference or traveled for City related business, then they would have to report back at the next scheduled City Council Meeting. She also reminded Council of proper decorum while at the dais.

Councilor Barnhorn stated that it was his opinion that it should be the consensus of the whole Council to decide if reports should be eliminated, not just the Mayor.

Mayor Waters inquired if the Councilors would like to continue with Councilor reports.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Ely to submit City Council Reports to the City Clerk electronically, and remove the item from the Council agenda.

**6 AYES, 1 NAY (Councilor Barnhorn) Motion Passed.**

#### 5. CITY MANAGER REPORT

##### COMMUNITY POLICING REPORT

Community Policing Officer Deputy Siem was absent and will give his report at the next scheduled Council Meeting.

City Manager Toney-Deal also announced:

- City Manager Toney-Deal will begin to give Legislative updates as they become available.
- City Manager Toney-Deal also announced that Band Director Gerard Madrinan of Seminole High School is a finalist for Pinellas County Schools' Teacher of the Year.
- City Manager Toney-Deal clarified that when Council does report City business, they may report that under New Business.

#### 6. OLD BUSINESS

NONE

#### 7. NEW BUSINESS

Councilor Springer announced that the Suncoast League of Cities will have its next business luncheon meeting on January 19, 2024, from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. at the Redington Beach Friendship Park.

Mayor Waters reminded Council of the Seminole Chamber's Installation Luncheon on January 11, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. She also announced that the Seminole Chamber's Annual Awards Banquet is being held on February 24, 2024.

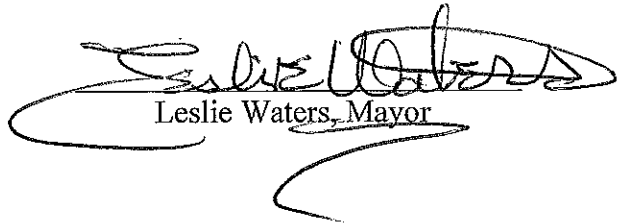
Also, the Food Truck Rally is February 3, 2024.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Date Approved: January 23, 2024

Ann Marie Mancuso  
Minutes prepared by City Clerk  
Ann Marie Mancuso, CMC

  
Leslie Waters, Mayor