

**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES  
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL  
May 14, 2024**

The Business Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, May 14, 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.

Mayor Leslie Waters 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, Councilor Jim Quinn, Councilor Trish Springer, City Manager Ann Toney-Deal, City Attorney Jay Daigneault, and City Clerk Ann Marie Mancuso.

**PRESENTATIONS**

A. Seminole Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Report

The Greater Seminole Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, Randi Nash-Ortiz presented the Chamber's quarterly report.

B. Public Works Week Proclamation

Councilor Jim Quinn recognized the Public Works Department with a Public Works Week Proclamation, which was presented to Public Works Director Rodney Due, and Streets and Stormwater Maintenance Supervisor James Lovelock.

C. Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Month Proclamation

Mayor Waters recognized ALS month with a proclamation that she read.

**1. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

NONE

**2. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Business Meeting Minutes: April 23, 2024.
- B. Workshop Meeting Minutes: April 23, 2024.
- C. Declare two special event tents as surplus, and authorize the sale of the two tents on GovDeals, and allow City Employees to bid on these items.

- D. Accept the Annual comprehensive Financial Report for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2023.
- E. Declare the 2006 Pierce Fire engine as surplus and authorize its sale on Govdeals.

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

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

**3. ACTION ITEMS**

- A. First Reading of Ordinance No. 04-2024: Amending the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (FY 2024) Budget by Providing for Supplemental Appropriations.

City Clerk Mancuso read Ordinance No. 04-2024 by title only.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the City was the recipient of \$9,435,081 of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds, and currently has a balance of \$5,349,470. This amendment will allow the City to close out the ARPA report and have an interfund transfer to the Capital Projects Fund, without fund restriction, to the capital improvement projects. Staff recommended approval on First Reading.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve Ordinance No. 04-2024 on First Reading.

**Roll Call**

Mayor Waters	AYE
Vice Mayor Burke	AYE
Councilor Barnhorn	AYE
Councilor Beliveau	AYE
Councilor Ely	AYE
Councilor Quinn	AYE
Councilor Springer	AYE

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

- B. 2024 Seminole Charter Review Committee Recommended Ballot Language.

Mayor Water recognized 2024 Seminole Charter Review Committee Chairperson Trish Haynes to present the proposed charter amendments.

2024 Seminole Charter Review Committee Chairperson Trish Haynes, announced the names of the seven committee members.

Chairperson Haynes went through each Charter Amendment.

**Charter Amendment No. 01** – Requiring Referendum for City’s Disposition of Property Designated Recreation/Open Space of Preservation.  
**Council agreed with this amendment.**

**Charter Amendment No. 02** – Changing the Number of Votes Required to Replace the Vice-Mayor.  
**Council agreed with this amendment.**

**Charter Amendment No. 03** – Establishing Forfeiture of Office for Council Members who Fail to Attend Publicly Noticed Meetings.  
Discussion ensued.

Motion made by Councilor Ely, seconded by Councilor Quinn to take no action on this proposed Charter Amendment and remove it.  
**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Charter Amendment No. 04-2024** – Establishing Length of term for Council Member who fills a vacancy on Council.  
**Council agreed with this amendment.**

**Charter Amendment No. 05-2024** – Establishing Length of Term for Mayor who Fills a Vacancy.  
**Council agreed with this amendment.**

**Charter Amendment No. 06-2024** – Amending Requirements for City Attorney.  
Discussion ensued.

Motion made by Councilor Ely, seconded by Councilor Quinn to take no action on Charter Amendment and remove it.  
**ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**Charter Amendment No. 07-2024** – Amending the Length of Term for Appointed Council Member.  
**Council agreed with this amendment.**

**Charter Amendment No. 08-2024** – Amending the Incremental Years in Which the Charter Review Committee is established.  
**Council agreed with this amendment.**

C. Approve the 2024-2025 Budget Schedule.

City Manager Toney-Deal proposed the following dates for the 2024-2025 budget schedule:

- Friday, July 19, 2024 – budget Workshop
- Tuesday, July 23, 2024 – Council Meeting where the Proposed Millage Rate will be approved.

- Monday, September 9, 2024 – First Public Hearing and First Reading of the 2024-2025 Budget Ordinance.
- Monday, September 23, 2024 – Second Public Hearing and Second and Final Reading of the 2024-2025 Budget Ordinance.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve the 2024-2025 budget schedule.

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

#### **4. CITY MANAGER REPORT**

##### **A. Community Policing Report**

Community Policing Officer, Deputy Alex Siem stated that Taco Fest went well and without incident. He stated that school will be out soon and to report any suspicious activity to the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office.

##### **B. Library Development Day**

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the Seminole Community Library will be closed for a staff Development day on Friday, May 17, 2024.

##### **C. 2024 Hurricane Preparedness Expo**

City Manager Toney-Deal announced that the 2024 Hurricane Preparedness Expo will take place on May 22, 2024, at the Parkview room from 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

##### **D. Kids Appreciation Day**

City Manager Toney-Deal announced that Kids Appreciation Day will take place on May 29, 2024, at City Park from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

##### **E. Murder Mystery Dinner**

City Manager Toney-Deal announce that the Murder Mystery Dinner will take place on June 8, 2024, at the Parkview Room at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are available for purchase at the Seminole Recreation Center.

City Manager Toney-Deal also announced that there was an application, to the Development Review Board (DRB), from a Seminole resident by the name of Adam Poirrer and she inquired if Council would like to interview him at a workshop. It was the consensus of the Council to interview Mr. Poirrer at a workshop on May 28, 2024, at 5:45 p.m.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that at her City Manager's meeting the discussion came up about Duke Energy cutting trees without notification. It was the consensus of the Council to have City

5. Manager Toney-Deal write a letter to Jeff Baker of Duke Energy to request a courtesy notification before any trees are trimmed or cut down.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Councilor Beliveau inquired what the outcome was from a request of Holland Mangum's family to add his name to the Seminole Recreation Sign. Mayor Waters asked Councilor Beliveau to speak with City Manager Toney-Deal.

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Waters stated that she had recently seen State Representative Lindsay Cross and invited her to come in and speak at a Council Meeting.

Mayor Waters announced that Holloway Haven Garden Tour will take place on Sunday, May 19, 2024, from noon until 4:00 p.m.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Date Approved: May 28, 2024

Ann Marie Mancuso

Minutes prepared by City Clerk  
Ann Marie Mancuso, CMC

Leslie Waters  
Leslie Waters, Mayor