

**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
November 12, 2024**

The Business Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, November 12, 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 Thom Barnhorn provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT

Mayor Leslie Waters, Vice Mayor Chris Burke, Councilor Thom Barnhorn, Councilor Ray Believeau, 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. GFOA Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) Award

City Manager Toney-Deal read and presented the GFOA Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) Award to Assistant City Manager/CFO Vince Tenaglia, and thanked the Finance Department and all of the Department Directors for doing an excellent job of following the policy direction of Council.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kevin Tompkins – 9219 – 50th Avenue North, St. Petersburg. Mr. Tompkins spoke in reference to concerns of the hurricane recovery, including power restriction at Harbor Lights Mobile Home Park where he resides.

Doug Andrews – 9123 – 47th Avenue North, St. Petersburg. Mr. Andrews spoke in reference to concerns of the hurricane recovery at Harbor Lights Mobile Home Park where he resides.

Barbara Salazar – 9064 Baywood Park Drive, Seminole. Ms. Salazar spoke in reference to a drainage pipe in her neighborhood.

Dan Cavaliere – 9084 Baywood Park Drive, Seminole. Mr. Cavaliere spoke in reference to the pipe and drainage on Baywood Park Drive.

Mark Murnane – 9080 St. Andrews Drive, Seminole. Mr. Murnane spoke in reference to permitting fees.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Business Meeting Minutes: October 15, 2024.

B. Business Meeting Minutes: October 22, 2024.

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

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. ACTION ITEMS

- A. Ordinance No. 18-2024: An Ordinance of the City of Seminole, Florida, Amending the Budget for Fiscal Year 2024, Beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024; and Providing for an Effective Date.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the budget amendment reconciles the budget. Each of the itemized projects in the attached agenda packet have already been approved by City Council. The Fire Rescue Capital Improvement items will be reimbursed 71% by Pinellas County.

Motion made by Councilor Springer, seconded by Councilor Beliveau to approve Ordinance No. 18-2024 on first reading and schedule final reading on November 19, 2024.

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. Ordinance No. 19-2024: People's Gas System, Inc. Franchise Agreement

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the People's Gas System franchise is long-standing. It is non-exclusive, and also incorporated is a "Favored Nations Clause." A second reading and public hearing will take place on December 3, 2024.

Motion made by Councilor Barnhorn, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve Ordinance No. 19-2024 on First Reading.

Discussion ensued.

Sebastian Leon of People's gas was in attendance and answered questions.

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.

- C. Authorization to Execute a Grant Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Waterfront Park in the amount of \$150,000.

This grant would be for the construction of a gazebo, and additional landscaping. Staff recommended the approval of this grant.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to authorize the City Manager to execute a Grant Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Waterfront Park in the amount of \$150,000.

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- D. Authorization to Execute a Grant Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Blossom Lake Park in the amount of \$50,000.

This grant would be for the construction of a basketball court and additional landscaping. Staff recommended the approval of this grant. City Manager Toney-Deal advised that this grant does not require a match of funds.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Beliveau to execute a Grant Agreement with the State of Florida Department of Environmental Protection for Blossom Lake Park in the amount of \$50,000.

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

E. City of Seminole Proclamation for Hurricane Helene Extension No. 6.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that both Agenda items 3.E. and 3.F. are seeking extensions on both Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton for an additional seven (7) days each.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Beliveau to approve the seven (7) day extension for the Proclamation of Emergency for Hurricane Helene Extension No. 6 through November 12, 2024.

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

F. City of Seminole Proclamation for Hurricane Milton Extension No. 4.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve the seven (7) day extension for the Proclamation of Emergency for Hurricane Milton Extension No. 4 through November 11, 2024.

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

G. Approve National League of Cities Voting Delegate

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that Councilor Barnhorn will be an attendee at the National League of Cities Annual Summit/Conference and staff recommend he be designated as the voting Delegate at the conference.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to designate Councilor Thom Barnhorn as the Voting Delegate at the National League of Cities 2024 Annual Conference.

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

A. Community Policing Report

Community Policing Officer, Deputy Peter Papas, stated that he will be participating in the "Great American Teach In" at Blossom Lake Elementary School on Wednesday, November 13, 2024.

B. Save the Date for Community Events

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the following events will take place in the near future:

- Holiday Craft Fair on November 23, 2024, from 10:00 am - 3:00 p.m. at the Recreation Center.
- Sail-A-Bration Holiday Waterless Board parade on December 8, 2024, step off at 6:00 p.m.
- Winterfest on December 13, 2024, from 5:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center. (Council report to the stage at 6:25 p.m. for tree lighting at 6:30 p.m.)

C. Debris Collection Update

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that as of November 11, 2024, Ashbritt has hauled 41,072 cubic yards of material. That total included yard debris, construction debris and white goods. This was also the last day for residents to put their debris on the curb.

5. OLD BUSINESS

Councilor Quinn gave kudos to Department Heads and Staff for the GFOA Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) award.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Councilor Beliveau gave kudos to the Mayor, Vice Mayor, Councilors, City Manager, City Attorney, Department Directors and staff for a smooth transition in his first year as Councilor. He also announced that Mary (Snakey) Urquhart, one of the founders of Horses for Handicapped, passed away.

Vice Mayor Burke addressed the subject of the Pinellas County project of the weir on Park Boulevard, and stated that the County had to make repairs to it. Vice Mayor Burke addressed the Harbor Lights community and stated that he was not aware that they were still without power, and that he would be making a visit out there by the end of the week. He asked the City Manager if it was possible to waive the permit fees. He also asked what the City's form of communication is to its residents.

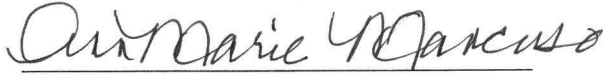
Councilor Springer thanked Councilor Ely for stepping up and filling in the vacant Council seat and stated that she enjoyed working with him.

Mayor Waters stated that she received a letter from the former Mayor of Madeira Beach, John Hendricks, thanking the City of Seminole for assisting Madeira Beach during the Hurricane season and allowing them to park their vehicles on higher ground in Seminole.

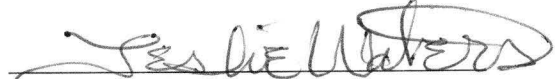
7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:06 p.m.

Date Approved: 11-19-2024



Ann Marie Mancuso, CMC
City Clerk



Leslie Waters
Mayor