BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL July 8, 2025

The Business Meeting of the Seminole City Council was held on Tuesday, July 8, 2025, 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 Jim Quinn provided the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT

Mayor Leslie Waters, Vice Mayor Chris Burke, Councilor Thom Barnhorn, Councilor Ray Beliveau, Councilor Jim Quinn, Councilor Al Shields, Councilor Trish Springer, Assistant City Manager/CFO Vince Tenaglia, Attorney Zoe Rawls, Substituting for the City Attorney, and City Clerk Ann Marie Mancuso. Not Present: City Manager Ann Toney-Deal, and City Attorney Jay Daigneault.

PRESENTATIONS

A. Parks and Recreation Month Proclamation

Councilor Ray Beliveau presented a "Parks and Recreation Month" Proclamation to Public Works Director Rodney Due and Recreation Director Becky Gunter, along with Recreation Advisory Board Members, Leah Hoffmann and Carl Glebowski, and also employees Ashley Frydrych and Alex Koagel.

B. Randi Nash-Ortiz, Executive Director – Seminole Chamber of Commerce Quarterly Report.

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

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE

2. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Business Meeting Minutes: June 24, 2025.

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

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. ACTION ITEMS

A. <u>Health, Dental, and Vision Insurance Renewals for Fiscal Year 2026 (October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026).</u>

Assistant City Manager/CFO Vince Tenaglia stated that the health insurance renewals are provided through the Public Risk Management Heath Insurance Trust (PRM). The Health Insurance Plan includes a 3.5% cost increase as opposed to 11% as it has been for the past two (2) years. There is a 7.1% cost increase for dental insurance, this is the first cost increase since the City joined PRM. There is no proposed cost increase for the Vision Plan. There is a recommended increase for the High Deductible Health Plan from \$1,000 to \$1,200. The renewals were reviewed by the City's Health Insurance Committee and said committee recommended its approval.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to authorize the City Manager to renew the group health, dental, and vision insurance with Florida Blue and NVAA, provided through the Public Risk Management Health Insurance Trust.

Discussion ensued.

Roll Call

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

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Quinn to authorize the City Manager to increase annual Health Savings Account funding from \$1,000 to \$1,200 for employee-only coverage, and maintain the current Health Savings Account funding of up to \$1,500 for employee-plus-dependent coverage for those employees enrolled in the Blue Options 05168/05169 High Deductible Health Plan, with Florida Blue.

Roll Call

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

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

B. Approve the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Distribution for Fiscal Year 2026 (October 1, 2025 – September 30, 2026).

The Annual Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant information was distributed in Council's agenda packet for approval of the disbursement of funds. Staff recommended its approval.

Motion made by Councilor Shields seconded by Councilor Beliveau to authorize the Mayor, on behalf of the City Council, to sign a letter indicating the City of Seminole's approval of the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance (JAG) Grant Countywide Program distribution as outlined in attached letter.

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Appoint a Florida League of Cities Annual Conference Voting Delegate.

Assistant City Manager/CFO Vince Tenaglia stated that the Florida League of Cities is asking each City to nominate a Voting Delegate for the upcoming 2025 Annual Florida League of Cities Conference in August.

Councilor Beliveau and Councilor Barnhorn self-nominated.

Councilor Beliveau received four (4) votes: Councilor Beliveau, Councilor Burke, Councilor Shields, and Councilor Springer.

Councilor Barnhorn received three (3) votes: Councilor Barnhorn, Mayor Waters and Councilor Quinn.

Councilor Beliveau was designated as the Voting Delegate at the 2025 Florida League of Cities Annual Conference.

D. <u>City of Seminole Proclamation of Emergency for Hurricane Helene Extensions No. 41 & No. 42.</u>

Assistant City Manager/CFO Vince Tenaglia stated that the interior City Hall repairs are currently in progress, and as soon as they are complete, the Proclamation of Emergencies will no longer need to be extended.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Beliveau to approve the seven (7) day extensions for the Proclamation of Emergency for Hurricane Helene, Extension No. 41 through July 15, 2025, and Extension No. 42 through July 22, 2025.

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

E. <u>City of Seminole Proclamation of Emergency for Hurricane Milton Extensions No. 39 & No. 40.</u>

Assistant City Manager/CFO Vince Tenaglia stated that the interior City Hall repairs are currently in progress, and as soon as they are complete, the Proclamation of Emergencies will no longer need to be extended.

Motion made by Councilor Shields, seconded by Vice Mayor Burke to approve the seven (7) day extensions for the Proclamation of Emergency for Hurricane Milton, Extension No. 39 through July 14, 2025, and Extension No. 40 through July 21, 2025.

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. <u>CITY MANAGER REPORT</u>

A. Community Policing Report

Community Policing Officer, Deputy Peter Papas visited the local pre-schools and read to the students.

B. Budget Workshop Meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 12, 2025, in Council Chambers

Mayor Waters reminded Council of the Budget Workshop on July 12, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.

C. Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2024

Assistant City Manager/CFO Vince Tenaglia stated that in addition to the proposed budget that was distributed to Council last week, the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report had been distributed to Council in order to prepare for the Budget Workshop.

5. OLD BUSINESS

Councilor Beliveau inquired as to why the building upgrades and repairs are taking so long. Assistant City Manager/CFO Vince Tenaglia stated that most of the work has been completed and a review of the work (punch list) has to be reviewed and repairs made.

Councilor Beliveau inquired as to when a Veteran Memorial will be installed at Waterfront Park. Assistant City Manager/CFO Vince Tenaglia stated that there is \$350,000 budgeted for Waterfront Park and the City just received a notice of commencement last month for a grant. The subject can be discussed at the budget workshop.

Vice Mayor Burke inquired as to why we budgeted \$350,000 for Waterfront Park but did not follow through on any of the planned Veteran Memorial or Gazebo. Assistant City Manager/CFO Vince Tenaglia stated that we may have been waiting for the notice of commencement on the grant.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Beliveau to add the grant money to the funds budgeted for Waterfront Park for a total of \$500,000 to begin construction on the Veterans Memorial and Gazebo.

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Mayor Waters stated that the dedication ceremony at the Post Office for Ryan Knauss was a very nice ceremony.

Councilor Beliveau gave a quick update on CERT and Mayor Waters asked Councilor Beliveau if he, or the President of CERT could come in and give an update on the CERT Program at a Council Meeting.

Councilor Beliveau asked if when a representative of Pinellas County attends a Council meeting to give an update on the 102^{nd} Avenue project, that we can also include 86^{th} and 102^{nd} . Councilor Beliveau stated that this had been part of the City's Commercial Corridor project in 2008. Vice Mayor Burke stated that the Commercial Corridor project did not come to fruition, as Council had made the decision to implement the Seminole Boulevard Beautification project instead. Vice Mayor Burke stated that when he sat on the Forward Pinellas Board, a contact from the Department of Transportation, stated that they would be willing to plant trees along Seminole Boulevard, but the City would have to maintain them.

Councilor Shields stated that his Dentist inquired about the easement on the corner of 102^{nd} Avenue and Seminole Boulevard because he would like to beautify that area. Assistant City Manager/CFO Vince Tenaglia asked Councilor Shields for the Dentist's information and he will get back to him with information.

Councilor Shields inquired whether the City could require an escrow account from utility Companies for removal costs for when they complete their work and then just leave equipment in the rights-of-way. Attorney Rawls stated that she would have City Attorney Daigneault look into this.

Councilor Shields stated that he had a constituent call him about flooding at the Repetto Property, however, it is the County property that is causing the flooding and affecting the condominiums located near the property.

6. NEW BUSINESS

NONE

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:09 p.m.

Date Approved: Qugust 12, 2025

Minutes prepared by City Clerk

Ann Marie Mancuso, CMC

Leslie Waters, Mayor