

**BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES
SEMINOLE CITY COUNCIL
October 14, 2025**

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

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

PRESENTATIONS

A. National Friends of the Library Week Proclamation.

Councilor Barnhorn recognized National Friends of the Library Week with a “National Friends of the Library Week” Proclamation, which was presented to Friends of the Library President Nancy Steinbuechler, Treasurer Lori Palmer, Secretary Lisa Lombardi, Board Member Eric Steinbuechler, and Shop Co-Manager Rayma Barnhorn.

B. Friends of the Library Check Presentation.

Friends of the Library President Nancy Steinbuechler presented Council with a check in the amount of \$33,500. The Friends of the Library raised the funds throughout the year with various fundraisers.

C. Day of Remembrance for Charlie Kirk Proclamation.

Mayor Waters read a proclamation titled “A Day of Remembrance for Charlie Kirk” in recognition of his advocacy for free speech.

D. 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

John Payne – 8673 Pinetree Drive E., Seminole. Mr. Payne spoke in reference to the election campaign signs that are placed in a right-of-way.

2. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Business Meeting Minutes: September 22, 2025.
- B. Reappointment of Michael Estigo as a Resident Member of the City of Seminole Municipal Firefighters' Pension Trust Fund Board of Trustees.

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. Public Hearing, Second and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 05-2025: Required by SB 784, which alters how plats are to be approved by local governments.

City Clerk Mancuso read Ordinance No. 05-2025 by title only.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that Ordinance No. 05-2025 is required because of legislation passed by the Florida State Legislature and signed into law by the Governor.

Mayor Waters opened the Public Hearing.

Receiving no request from the public to speak, Mayor Waters closed the Public Hearing.

Motion made by Councilor Springer, seconded by Councilor Quinn to approve Ordinance No. 05-2025 on Second and Final Reading.

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. Resolution No. 09-2025 to Amend the City of Seminole's Classification and Compensation Plan.

City Clerk Mancuso read Resolution No. 09-2025 by title only.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that due to the recent approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, the reclassification of several positions of non-union employees is recommended. The supporting documents were included in the agenda packet.

Motion made by Councilor Shields, seconded by Councilor Barnhorn to adopt Resolution No. 09-2025 to amend the City of Seminole's Classification and Compensation Plan.

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.

C. Emergency Medical Services ALS First Responder Agreement Amendment with Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services Authority.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that if an EMS budget increases by more than 3%, under the terms of the agreement with Pinellas County, the EMS First Responder Agreement is amended.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve the 2025 Emergency Medical Services ALS First Responder Contract Amendment with Pinellas County Emergency Medical Services Authority and authorize the City Manager to execute the addendum.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. Approval of Non-Profit Organization Grant Distribution (FY 2025-2026 Allocation of \$30,000).

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that after City Council's Workshop on September 8, 2025, and discussion at the September 22, 2025, City Council Meeting, Council by consensus agreed to the following distribution amounts:

Greater Seminole Chamber of Commerce - \$7,500
Adoption Related Services of Pinellas – 0
Bauder Elementary School - \$1,000
Oakhurst Elementary School - \$1,000
Orange Grove Elementary School - \$1,000
Seminole Elementary School - \$1,000
Starkey Elementary School - \$1,000
Horses for Handicapped Foundation of Pinellas County - \$1,000
Interfaith Food Pantry - \$2,000
Keep Pinellas Beautiful - \$500
Neighborly Care Network - \$2,000

Operation Military Matters - \$1,000
Pinellas Hope – Catholic Charities - \$1,000
Pinellas Safe Harbor – PCSO - \$1,000
Seminole Historical Society - \$5,000
Society for the Prevention of Cruelty Against Animals (SPCA) - \$1,000
Miscellaneous - \$3,000

Motion made by Councilor Quinn, seconded by Councilor Springer to approve the 2025 grant distribution.

Councilor Beliveau questioned whether the amounts for Keep Pinellas Beautiful and all of the elementary schools was noted correctly. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that those amounts were discussed at both the workshop and regular meeting and the amounts accurately reflected the Council's collective direction from the September 22nd City Council meeting. Councilor Beliveau was also advised that he, along with the other councilors, had just approved the September 22, 2025, minutes, which also listed the same amounts

Roll Call

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

6 AYES, 1 NAY.

MOTION PASSED.

- E. Authorize Expenditure in the amount of \$359,995 to New Vista Builders Group, LLC for the Construction of a Stage Gazebo at Waterfront Park.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that this project is one of two left in the Waterfront Park Master Plan. She also stated that staff is not recommending the lower bidder, as the lowest bidder did not include a stage or an ADA access ramp. City Manager Toney-Deal also reminded Council that the City did receive a grant for \$150,000, from the Florida Recreation Association for this project.

City Manager Toney-Deal also reminded the Councilors that the size and location of the gazebo had been staked at Waterfront Park and she had not received any questions or objections. There being no further input on the location or size, a motion was made by Councilor Springer, seconded by Vice Mayor Burke to authorize an expenditure in the amount of \$359,995 to New Vista Builders Group, LLC for the construction of a Stage Gazebo at Waterfront Park using Sourcewell Contract FL-R4-GC-092524-NVB.

Councilor Burke stated that \$500,000 had been budgeted for Waterfront Park, and inquired whether the remaining funds can be used toward the Veterans Memorial for this park. City Manager Toney-Deal affirmed that the remainder will be used towards the Veterans Memorial.

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.

- F. City of Seminole Proclamation of Emergency for Hurricane Helene Extensions No. 55 & No. 56.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that City staff has a meeting scheduled with the contractor to address some unsatisfactory work. The Proclamation of Emergency's have to be updated every seven (7) days until the work is complete.

Motion made by Councilor Shields seconded by Councilor Springer to approve the seven (7) days extensions for the Proclamation of Emergency for Hurricane Helene Extension No. 55 through October 21, 2025, and Extension No. 56 through October 28, 2025.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- G. City of Seminole Proclamation of Emergency for Hurricane Milton Extensions No. 53 & No. 54.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that City staff has a meeting scheduled with the contractor to address some unsatisfactory work. The Proclamation of Emergency's have to be updated every seven (7) days until the work is complete.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Burke seconded by Councilor Shields to approve the seven (7) days extensions for the Proclamation of Emergency for Hurricane Milton Extension No. 53 through October 20, 2025, and Extension No. 54 through October 27, 2025.

ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. CITY MANAGER REPORT

A. Community Policing Report

No report.

B. Field of Screams on Friday, October 24, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Seminole Recreation Complex.

City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the Field of Screams will take place at the Seminole Recreation Complex on Friday, October 24, 2025, from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. City Clerk Mancuso will be sending a schedule out for Councilors to sign up to distribute candy at the Council booth.

City Manager Toney-Deal reminded Council that the Seminole Historical Society will be hosting a Fish Fry on Friday, October 17, 2025, at the Seminole Historical Society.

City Manager Toney-Deal gave kudos to the Recreation Department and the Public Works Department for a successful Music in the Park Series. She also announced that it was the first year in the history of Music in the Park that the event has paid for itself.

5. OLD BUSINESS

Councilor Barnhorn stated that Firehouse Subs presented a grant to Seminole Fire Rescue. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that Firehouse Subs donated \$35,775 to Seminole Fire Rescue. The money will be used to purchase extrication equipment.

Councilor Quinn stated that he sent an email to Gerry Cachia thanking him for coordinating such great First Friday events at the Seminole City Center.

Vice Mayor Burke stated that the Music in the Park series allows for families to make great memories, as parents are enjoying the music and their children are having fun on the playground.

Councilor Beliveau inquired whether the City Manager has sent a letter to the residents of Grove Terrace as indicated at a previous Council Meeting. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the letter is currently in draft form and she just needs to confirm a couple of items with Public Works Director Rodney Due when he returns from vacation.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Councilor Beliveau stated that he was sworn in as 2nd Vice President of the Suncoast League of Cities.

Vice Mayor Burke made a motion to donate the remainder of his discretionary funds to the Seminole Historical Society. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that the City is currently preparing the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year close out and normally, the remainder of the funds are assigned to the fund balance. She will get back to Council and advise if that is possible. Vice Mayor Burke withdrew his motion.

Vice Mayor asked to be excused from the October 9, 2025, Special City Council Meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Springer, seconded by Councilor Quinn to excuse Vice Mayor Christopher Burke from the October 9, 2025, Special City Council Meeting.

ALL IN FAVOR, MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Vice Mayor Burke asked the City Manager to comment on a statement that a constituent made about the City being debt-free, but ignoring infrastructure repairs. City Manager Toney-Deal stated that is a false statement. The Pavement Management Plan and the Stormwater Master Plan have all been put into action and the City does not defer maintenance on infrastructure.

Councilor Shields stated that he attended the Highway dedication ceremony in memory of Senator Jim Sebesta

7. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Waters adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Date Approved: Oct. 28, 2025

Ann Marie Mancuso

Minutes prepared by City Clerk
Ann Marie Mancuso, CMC

Leslie Waters
Leslie Waters, Mayor