

TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA

Town Council

Mayor Michael Pizzi
Vice Mayor Nick Perdomo
Councilmember Mary Collins
Councilmember George Lopez
Councilmember Robert Meador II
Councilmember Richard Pulido
Councilmember Nancy Simon

MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 9, 2010
6:30 PM
Miami Lakes Middle School
6425 Miami Lakeway North
Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

PRESENTATIONS: Ron Van Eyk, Public Works Director, presented the Mayor and Town Council with the Tree City USA award.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL:** Marjorie Tejeda, Town Clerk, called the roll with the following Councilmembers present: Robert Meador, Nancy Simon, Mary Collins, George Lopez, Richard Pulido, and Mayor Michael Pizzi. Vice Mayor Nick Perdomo was absent.
- 3. INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Mayor Pizzi called for a moment of silence.
- 4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mr. Carlos Artime, Principal of Barbara Goleman Senior High School, led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** No Public Comments
- 6. ORDER OF BUSINESS (DEFERRALS/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS):**
Mayor Pizzi pulled items 8C and 8E. Councilmember Pulido pulled item 8A and requested to be added as a co-sponsor to item 8C. Councilmember Simon requested to be added as a co-sponsor to items 8B and 8C, and added item 12D entitled Foreclosure Workshop to the agenda. Councilmember Collins requested to be added as a co-sponsor to item 8C. Councilmember Lopez requested to be added as a co-sponsor to items 8B and 8C. Councilmember Meador requested to be added as a co-sponsor to items 8B and 8C, and added item 13A4 entitled Transportation to the agenda. Frank Bocanegra, Town Manager, deferred item 13B. Councilmember Collins made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion received a second from Councilmember Simon and all were in favor.

Councilmember Collins made a motion to adopt the remaining items on the consent agenda. The motion received a second from Councilmember Simon and all were in favor.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS: No report.

8. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Approval of Minutes:

January 12, 2010 Regular Council Meeting

January 28, 2010 Special Call Council Meeting

Councilmember Pulido clarified that the Council Rules and Procedures workshop should take place within 60 days of the approval of the item.

Mayor Pizzi made a motion that the minutes be approved. The motion received a second from Councilmember Pulido and all were in favor.

B. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, REQUESTING TRUE MARKET VALUE PROPERTY APPRAISALS WITH CONSIDERATION OF SHORT SALES AND FORECLOSURES BY THE MIAMI-DADE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE; DIRECTING THE CLERK TO TRANSMIT THIS RESOLUTION TO THE MIAMI-DADE PROPERTY APPRAISER'S OFFICE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Pizzi) Approved on consent.

C. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, RENAMING A PORTION OF NORTHWEST 89TH AVENUE DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF BARBARA GOLEMAN SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL AS BARBARA GOLEMAN WAY; AUTHORIZING TOWN OFFICIALS TO TAKE ALL STEPS NECESSARY TO IMMEDIATELY DESIGNATE THE ROAD; DIRECTING THE CLERK TO NOTIFY THE UNITED STATES POST OFFICE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Pizzi)

Principal Carlos Artime spoke in favor of the item.

Vanessa Clara spoke in favor of the item.

Bryan Merlano spoke in favor of the item.

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to approve the resolution and directed staff to take all necessary steps to have N.W. 89th Avenue designated Barbara Goldman Way. The motion received a second from Councilmember Collins and all were in favor.

Mayor Pizzi called for a five minute break at 7:15 p.m.

Mayor Pizzi called the meeting to order at 7:20 p.m.

Marjorie Tejeda, Town Clerk, called the roll with the following Councilmembers present: Robert Meador, Nancy Simon, Mary Collins, George Lopez, Richard Pulido, and Mayor Michael Pizzi. Vice Mayor Nick Perdomo was absent.

D. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA APPROVING THE SELECTION OF ACOSTA TRACTORS, INC. FOR THE CONTRACT FOR MIAMI LAKEWAY NORTH PAVING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS UNDER THE LOCAL AGENCY PROGRAM WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; APPROVING THE CONTRACT BETWEEN ACOSTA TRACTORS, INC. AND THE TOWN; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OFFICIALS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Bocanegra)

Approved on consent.

Mayor Pizzi made a motion that item 8D be reconsidered. Councilmember Collins seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Gilbert Camano spoke in opposition to the item.

Ron Von Eyk, Public Works Director, answered questions posed by the Council.

The Mayor made a motion to adopt the resolution. The motion received a second from Councilmember Collins and all were in favor.

Mirtha Mendez spoke about the Strong Mayor status and time limits on Councilmember's discussion.

E. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA APPROVING THE PROJECT AGREEMENT BETWEEN KIMLEY-HORN AND ASSOCIATES, INC. AND THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES TO PROVIDE PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR MIAMI LAKEWAY NORTH PAVING AND DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN OFFICIALS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE AGREEMENT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Bocanegra)

Frank Bocanegra, Town Manager, answered questions posed by the Council.

Ron Van Eyk, Director of Public Works, answered questions posed by the Council.

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to approve the resolution and directed staff to schedule a workshop to discuss the procurement process. He further stated, that all future applications, unless it's an emergency, should go through the procurement process. The motion received a second from Councilmember Simon and all were in favor.

9. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

10. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING (PUBLIC HEARING):

11. RESOLUTIONS:

12. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Town Finances (Pizzi)

The Mayor made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to transfer any unencumbered line item allocation of funds or any portion thereof, to another line item classification within the same department with the requirement that Council be notified of the budget amendment and that it be brought back before the Council as an amendment to the budget ordinance. The motion received a second from Councilmember Collins and all were in favor.

B. Sex Offender and Residency Restrictions (Pulido)

Councilmember Pulido made a motion to direct staff to bring back to the Council a comprehensive report evaluating the measures that can be taken to minimize the reduction of the enforcement of the Town's current ordinance as it relates to protecting the children in our community. The motion received a second from Councilmember Collins and all were in favor.

C. Enhancing Protection of Property Values (Pizzi)

David Ofstein, Director of Planning, Zoning and Code Enforcement, answered questions posed by the Council.

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to create an ordinance for abandoned properties to double the initial violation fee from \$250.00 to \$500.00, which is the maximum fee permitted under the Town's Code. This fee will accrue daily if the violation is not corrected, and can be assessed up to 20 days for a maximum fee of \$10,000.00. The administrative fees would increase from \$100 to \$500.00, if it is necessary for the Town to maintain the abandoned property. Furthermore provisions would be incorporated to address multiple violations on a single property, deemed "repeat offenders". In addition, a policy would be created where in banks can register properties that they have in foreclosure with the Town. If banks do not register with the Town, they would be penalized. The motion received a second from Councilmember Meador and all were in favor.

D. Foreclosure Workshop (Simon) (added on the dais)

Lorenzo Cobiella spoke about the state wide organization, S.A.L.A.D., which educates the public on foreclosure prevention. He asked the Town to donate a location in the Town where he could host a workshop.

Mayor Pizzi made a motion directing staff to organize a public workshop in conjunction with the Economic Development Committee and Mr. Lorenzo Cobiella. Councilmember Lopez seconded the motion and all were in favor.

13. REPORTS:

A. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

1. Appointments

Mayor Pizzi nominated Arnold Edmundson to the Elderly Affairs Committee. Mayor Pizzi nominated Councilmember Pulido, Jeanine Perdomo, Jose Duval, Laticia Rodriguez, David Vigilante and himself to the Beautification and Environmental Sustainability Committee and all were in favor.

2. Area Schools Overcrowding (Pulido)

Deferred by Councilmember Pulido.

3. Florida Sunshine Law (Pulido)

Deferred by Councilmember Pulido.

4. Transportation (Meador)

Councilmember Meador reported that an FDOT public meeting will be held on, February 10, 2010 at 6550 N.W. 188 Terrace from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The project is related to the construction that will take place on the Palmetto Expressway for Traffic Calming. Part of the construction will be between 57th avenue and 67th avenue in Miami Lakes. The total cost of the project will be \$2,750,000.00.

B. MANAGER'S REPORT:

1. Professional Photos for Council

Deferred by the Town Manager.

Town Manager, Frank Bocanegra gave a report on the Spetsiosis code violation case, as per the Council's directions. The Town Attorneys agreed to provide the Town with a \$3,000.00 credit towards future legal fees.

C. ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

14. FUTURE MEETINGS:

March 9, 2010 Regular Council Meeting, 6425 Miami Lakeway N, 6:30 PM

April 13, 2010 Regular Council Meeting, 6425 Miami Lakeway N, 6:30 PM

15. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 9:37p.m.

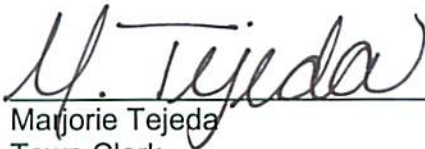
Approved this 13 day of April, 2010.



Michael Pizzi
Mayor



Attest:



Marjorie Tejada
Town Clerk