

TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA

Town Council

Mayor Michael Pizzi

Vice Mayor Richard Pulido

Councilmember Mary Collins

Councilmember George Lopez

Councilmember Robert Meador II

Councilmember Nick Perdomo

Councilmember Nancy Simon

MINUTES REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING January 13, 2009 6:30 PM

Miami Lakes Middle School
6425 Miami Lakeway North
Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

PRESENTATIONS:

A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Miami Lakes K-8 Principal Rosy Calvo for her recent award as the Miami Dade County Public Schools North Regional Center's Principal of the Year by Mayor Michael Pizzi and members of the Town Council.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Mayor Michael Pizzi at 6:40 p.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL:** Town Clerk, Debra Eastman called the roll with the following Council Members in attendance: Nick Perdomo, Mary Collins, Nancy Simon, George Lopez, Vice Mayor Richard Pulido and Mayor Michael Pizzi. Council Member Robert Meador asked to be excused from the meeting due to a previously scheduled doctor's appointment out of town.
- 3. INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE:** Reverend Al Pino from Palm Vista Community Church gave the invocation.
- 4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Michael Pizzi led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Alan Riggerman spoke in favor of the Drive 25 program, stripping of the road in front of the Fire Station, and also spoke regarding the addition of a charter school.

Ed Miller spoke about speeding and failure to obey stop signs.

Jose Marques of Royal Palm Estates spoke of the traffic problems relating to entrance and exit to the development.

Mayor Michael Pizzi invited representatives from the Civil Air Patrol to make a

presentation to the Town Council regarding the opportunities in their organization for youth participation.

6. ORDER OF BUSINESS (DEFERRALS/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS):

Mayor Michael Pizzi deleted items 12I and 13A5. Interim Town Manager, Evelyn Roig deferred item 12A on behalf of Council Member Robert Meador.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Economic Development Committee

Committee Chairman, Orlando Aguila gave the report to the Town Council.

8. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL APPROVING THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN SOLID RESOURCES, INC. AND THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES FOR GRANT MANAGEMENT SUPPORT SERVICES. (Roig) Approved on consent.

B. RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 07-592, THE COMPREHENSIVE COUNCIL MEETING AND AGENDA PROCEDURES. (Roig) Approved on consent.

A motion was made by Council Member Mary Collins to approve the consent agenda. The motion received a second from Mayor Michael Pizzi. Mayor Michael Pizzi called for the vote and all were in favor.

9. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING:

10. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING (PUBLIC HEARING):

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 08-100; ADOPTING A REVISED BUILDING PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE. (Roig)

Town Attorney, John Kendrick read the title of the ordinance. A motion for adoption of the ordinance was made by Council Member Mary Collins. The motion received a second from Council Member Nancy Simon. Town Clerk, Debra Eastman, called the roll and all were in favor.

11. RESOLUTIONS:

12. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Coffee with the Mayor and Town Council (Meador) Deferred to February

B. Staff's Orientation Procedures for New Councilmember(s) (Pulido)

Vice Mayor Richard Pulido questioned the current office practice for orientation of new Council Members. Town Attorney, Nina Boniske, explained the current procedures.

C. Town Hall (Pizzi)

Mayor Michael Pizzi made a motion to instruct staff to solicit proposals for opportunities for a new Town Hall and to have the Manager bring that information back to the Town Council at the February meeting. The motion received a second from Council Member Nancy Simon who also asked that the Manager consider the appropriate criteria for such a facility and research any criteria set by the previous Town Manager. Mayor Michael Pizzi called for the vote and all were in favor.

D. Elderly Outreach Program (Lopez)

Council Member George Lopez stated that space is needed on a regular basis to assist the elderly. Council Member Mary Collins suggested that the storage room at the Community Center West be cleared for this purpose. The Town Manager was instructed to investigate the possibility.

E. Economic Incentive Package (Perdomo)

Council Member Nick Perdomo made a motion to have the Town Manager investigate what can be done to provide enterprise zones within the Town to offer incentives to businesses. The motion received a second from Council Member Mary Collins. Mayor Michael Pizzi called for the vote and all were in favor.

F. Town Manager - Confirmation Process (Pulido)

Council Member Richard Pulido discussed the confirmation process for the new Town Manager. Council Member Nancy Simon requested that at the time of planning a special meeting, consideration and alternatives be given to Council Members.

G. Communication and Town Promotion (Pizzi)

Mayor Michael Pizzi made a motion to direct staff to establish a position in Town Hall that would be responsible for marketing and public relations work. The motion received a second from Council Member Mary Collins. Mayor Michael Pizzi amended the motion to clarify that the position would include a marketing professional. The amendment received a second from Council Member Mary Collins. Mayor Michael Pizzi called for the vote and all were in favor.

H. Town Park's Pavilion Rentals (Pulido)

Vice Mayor Richard Pulido requested that the Town Council review the policy for rental of the Town Park pavilion rentals at the March, 2009 Town Council Workshop. There was no objection.

I. Veterans' Affairs (Pizzi) Deleted by Mayor Pizzi

13. REPORTS:

A. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

1. Appointments

Mayor Michael Pizzi appointed Mr. Joe Cooper as a member of the Historic Committee.

2. Paperless Agendas (Pulido)

Vice Mayor Richard Pulido introduced interns Anais Pedoussaut and Andrew Silva who gave a presentation on the advantages of eliminating the use of paper for Town Council agendas.

3. Keep Kids Alive, Drive 25 (Collins)

Council Member Mary Collins made a motion to create an ordinance that would lower speed limits on residential roads to 25 miles per hour. The motion received a second from Council Member George Lopez. Mayor Michael Pizzi called for the vote and all were in favor.

4. Area Schools Overcrowding (Pulido)

Vice Mayor Richard Pulido referred to the report provided in the agenda packet.

5. Miami Lakes University (Pizzi) Deleted by Mayor Michael Pizzi

6. TOML Police Officers Appreciation Day (Pulido)

Vice Mayor Richard Pulido reported on the progress of the event and thanked Town staff for their assistance.

B. MANAGER'S REPORT:

Adopt-a-Tree Program for Mrs. Eastman's Mother

Interim Town Manager, Evelyn Roig reported that the Manager's Office will be arranging for the acceptance of contributions toward the Adopt a Tree Program in Royal Oaks Park in memory of Town Clerk, Debra Eastman's mother.

C. ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

14. FUTURE MEETINGS:

January 20, 2009 Zoning Meeting, 6425 Miami Lakeway N, Miami Lakes 6 PM

February 10, 2009 Regular Meeting, 6425 Miami Lakeway N, Miami Lakes 6:30PM

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

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2009.

Michael Pizzi, Mayor

Attest:

Debra E. Eastman, MMC
Town Clerk