# MINUTES Regular Council Meeting August 18, 2020 6:30 p.m. Government Center 6601 Main Street Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

#### 1. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

None

#### 2. ROLL CALL:

Mayor Manny Cid called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

The Town Clerk, Gina M. Inguanzo, called the roll with the following Councilmembers being present: Luis Collazo, Josh Dieguez, Jeffrey Rodriguez, and Mayor Manny Cid. Councilmember Marilyn Ruano joined the meeting at approximately 6:35 pm and Councilmember Carlos Alvarez joined the meeting at approximately 6:44 pm. Vice Mayor Rodriguez was absent.

#### 3. MOMENT OF SILENCE:

Pastor Danny Vazquez from The Included Church led the prayer.

Ariel Fernandez led a meditation message from "Better You Minute".

## 4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Pledge of the Allegiance was led by Katlyn Estevez from Girl Scout Troop 584.

# 5. ORDER OF BUSINESS (DEFERRALS/ADDITIONS/DELETIONS):

Mayor Cid moved item 15E to be discussed after Public Comments. Councilmember Ruano moved to accept the new order of business and the motion was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez. All were in favor.

#### 6. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The Town Clerk, Gina M. Inguanzo, read the instructions of proper decorum that are to be respected and followed in the Council Chambers of the Town of Miami Lakes and that are to be respected also in virtual meetings.

Jennifer Gregorisch stated that she is in support of Item 13D. She is the wife of the late Lieutenant Normando Gregorisch, and she expressed her gratitude for bringing this item to the Regular Council Meeting Agenda.

Bonnie Crook stated that she is in support of Item 13D and thanked Councilmember Collazo and Mr. Nayib Hassan for working on this item.

Claudia Luces spoke about the SOMOS Testing Site and questioned if the Town was going to receive reimbursement for the police officers that were used to provide security detail at the site; she mentioned that she saw Mayor Cid's post on providing day care services to low income families, for the students that are not going to physically attend school due to the schools closures; on this matter she stated that the Town of Miami Lakes is a small local government and that there are other agencies that take care of this; she added that the grievances/concerns should be addressed by our elected officials and the School Board and for them to determine what is the best solution to that population; she stated that the best solution is not to open the community centers to solve a problem that the Town of Miami Lakes did not create; regarding the Franchise Fee, she stated that she is in opposition of it; that we have to live within our means and that hitting the residents with a tax would be unfair; she also stated that she is in favor of infrastructure improvement although she admits that will put a burden on taxpayers; she emphasized that it is important to pick and choose and prioritize projects to move forward with; that the Dog Park was not a necessary project; that although we want to accomplish a lot, we can't accomplish it all at once- in particularly during this economic downturn in history.

Angelo Cuadra gave his condolences to Mrs. Gregorisch; he stated that he is in opposition of Item 13E; that he does not want to spend tax payers money; that the Town Council should be held accountable for all their decisions; that they need to concentrate on other projects like storm drains, pot holes, tree canopies and sidewalks.

Gil Morales stated that he is a former Marine and a retired Metro Police Officer and stated that he knew Lieutenant Gregorisch and that he was a great true leader and will be missed by many people. Mr. Morales stated he is in support of Item 13D.

Nayib Hassan stated that he is in support of Item 13D and mentioned that Lieutenant Gregorisch was a great neighbor and friend; he thanked Councilmember Collazo for placing this item on the agenda; he also stated that he is in opposition to Item 13E due to the economic situation caused by Covid-19.

Written Public Comments:

Jay Rosen sent a written public comment regarding taxes. Mirtha Mendez sent a written public comment regarding taxes.

## 7. APPOINTMENTS:

Rosie Prieto appointed to the Neighborhood Improvement Committee by Mayor Cid. Stephen Herzberg appointed to the Blasting Advisory Board by Councilmember Jeffrey Rodriguez. Councilmember J. Rodriguez made a motion to approve the appointments and it was seconded by Councilmember Collazo. All were in favor.

#### 8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Economic Development Committee
Chairman Eddie Blanco presented a quarterly report on behalf of the EDC.

# 2. Youth Activity Task Force

Chairman Bryan Rodriguez presented a report on behalf of the YATF. The committee also requested to move all the available funds in the revenue accounts into the expenditure account, in order to fund another movie in the parking lot. Councilmember Collazo made a motion to approve the request and it was seconded by Councilmember Alvarez. All were in favor.

#### 3. Cultural Affairs Committee

Clarisell de Cardenas, on behalf of the CAC, requested to move funds from one line item to another; \$967.62 from the Concert on the Fairway to the Women of Distinction Award, \$700 from Concert of the Fairway to Paint a Picture and \$766.30 from Concert on the Fairway to Black History Month.

Councilmember Collazo made a motion to move the three requests and Councilmember J. Rodriguez seconded the motion. All were in favor.

## 4. Elderly Affairs Committee

Chairwoman Dorothy Wix to request to move \$10,000 from the Reserve account to the Meet and Greet thru the month of September. Councilmember Alvarez made a motion to approve the request and it was seconded by Councilmember Collazo. All were in favor.

## 9. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Councilmember Collazo moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Councilmember Dieguez seconded the motion. All were in favor.

#### A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- July 14th, Regular Council Meeting
- July 21st, Town Investments Workshop
- August 3<sup>rd</sup>, Virtual Special Call Meeting
- August 11th, Workshop on Stormwater Rates Follow-up

Approved on Consent.

B. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO UTILIZE THE CITY OF Approved on Consent

C. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE PURCHASE OF MANAGED PRINT SOLUTIONS AND ADDITIONAL TECHNOLOGY RELATED PRODUCTS ON AS NEEDED BASIS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO UTILIZE REGION 4 EDUCATIONAL SERVICE CENTER ("ESC") CONTRACT R171405 WITH TOSHIBA AMERICAN SOLUTIONS PURSUANT TO SECTION 7 OF ORDINANCE 17-203 (THE TOWN'S PROCUREMENT ORDINANCE); AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CONTRACT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Pidermann)

Approved on Consent

D. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN MANAGER TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT THE UNITED STATES, HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, REBUILD FLORIDA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-MITIGATION CRITICAL FACILITY HARDENING PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE REBUILD FLORIDA CDBG-MIT CRITICAL FACILITY HARDENING PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Pidermann)

Approved on Consent.

E. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING A WORK ORDER PURSUANT TO CONTRACT 2017-32(M) FOR MISCELLANEOUS ENGINEERING SERVICES, WITH MARLIN ENGINEERING, IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED EIGHTY THREE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-FOUR THOUSAND AND 24/100 TO COMPLETE STREET IMPROVEMENTS ALONG NW 151 and NW 153 STREET; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE CONTRACT; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXPEND BUDGETED FUNDS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE WORK ORDER; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Pidermann)

Approved on Consent

F. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, URGING MIAMI-DADE COUNTY MAYOR CARLOS A. GIMENEZ AND THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA TO TRANSFER CORONAVIRUS AIR, RELIEF, AND ECONOMIC SECURITY ACT "CARES" ACT DIRECT FEDERAL FUNDS RECEIVED BY MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES AND TO OTHER UNITS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FOR INSTRUCTIONS TO THE TOWN CLERK; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE(Pidermann)

Approved on Consent

G. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT WITH THE PROPERTY APPRAISER FOR ACCESS TO EXEMPT INFORMATION MAINTAINED BY THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.(Pidermann)

Approved on Consent.

# 10. ORDINANCE - FIRST READING:

A. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AMENDING CHAPTER 35, ARTICLE III, COMMUNICATION FACILITIES IN PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY, DIVISION 3 PERMITTING AND PLACEMENT OF COMMUNICATION FACILITIES IN THE PUBLIC RIGHTS-OF-WAY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Town Attorney Raul Gastesi read the title of the Ordinance into the record.

Town Manager Pidermann presented the item and answered questions posed by the Town Council. Councilmember Dieguez provided a brief summary of the background of this ordinance and his work on this matter. He explained that this ordinance addresses communications facilities to preserve the aesthetic appeal of the Town and codify this for the future. Councilmember Dieguez then made a motion to adopt the Ordinance in first reading. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Collazo. The Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 6-0, with Vice Mayor Rodriguez being absent.

B. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA APPROVING, ADOPTING, A NON-AD VALOREM ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS; APPROVING, ADOPTING AND RATIFYING SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRIST RATES FOR SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICTS, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO SECURITY GUARD AND

MULTIPURPOSE MAINTENANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Town Attorney Raul Gastesi read the title of the Ordinance into the record.

Town Manager Pidermann explained that the Ordinance relates to the rates for each Neighborhood Service District. Councilmember Collazo thanked the committee members for their work and committee and thanked town staff for their job and being the backbone of these committees. He also emphasized that two of the districts assessments rates were reduced. Councilmember Collazo then made a motion to approve the Ordinance in first reading. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez. The Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 6-0, with Vice Mayor Rodriguez being absent.

C. AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, MODIFYING THE BUDGET APPROVED BY ORDINANCE NO. 19-25d AND AMENDED BY ORDINANCE 20 – 258; AMENDING THE TOWN'S FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 BUDGET; PROVIDING FOR EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS; PROVIDING FOR AMENDMENTS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Town Attorney Raul Gastesi read the title of the Ordinance into the record.

Town Manager Pidermann presented the item and explained that this ordinance is to expedite the Breanna Vergara Courtyard project at Royal Oaks Park, which required a line item transfer per resolution, from Par 3 park funds. This budget amendment requests approval to supplant these funds back to the Par 3 park budget. Councilmember Dieguez made a motion to approve the Ordinance in first reading. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Alvarez. The Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 6-0, with Vice Mayor Rodriguez being absent.

# 11. ORDINANCE - SECOND READING:

None

## 12. RESOLUTIONS:

A. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 13-305(f)(1) OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE; PERTAINING TO A REQUEST IN ACCORDANCE WITH **SECTION** 13-304(h) OF THE OF MIAMI LAKES LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR SITE PLAN APPROVAL AND A REQUEST IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 13-303 OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE FOR A CONDITIONAL USE; ALL BEING SUBMITTED FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 5875 NW 163 ST, AS PROVIDED AT EXHIBIT "A", MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, FOLIO NO. 32-20&3-0&5-0030, AS DESCRIBED AT EXHIBIT "B"; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; PROVIDING FINDINGS; PROVIDING FOR APPEAL: AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Town Attorney, Raul Gastesi read the title of the resolution into the record. He then proceeded to read the quasi-judicial instructions into the record.

Councilmember Collazo stated for the record that he had no ex-parte communications. Councilmember J. Rodriguez stated for the record that he had no ex-parte communications. Councilmember Dieguez stated for the record that he had no ex-parte communications. Councilmember Ruano stated for the record that he had no ex-parte communications. Councilmember Alvarez stated for the record that he had no ex-parte communications. Mayor Cid stated for the record that he had no ex-parte communications.

The Town Clerk, sworn-in collectively all those wishing to speak.

The Town Clerk reminded everyone that the Deputy Town Clerk was at Council Chambers, in case someone wanted to testify in the quasi-judicial proceeding and was unable to testify remotely.

Susana Alonso, Senior Town Planner, presented a brief synopsis of the item and answered question posed by the Town Council. She explained that the Applicant is requesting a site plan and conditional use approval for the new construction of a five-story parking garage with accessory parking and sales vehicle storage.

Applicant Alejandro Echevari presented the item with a PowerPoint presentation and answered questions posed by the Town Council.

Councilmember Collazo made a motion to approve the site plan and conditional use approval, subject to staff's recommendations, as stated in the staff report. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez. The Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 6-0, with Vice Mayor Rodriguez being absent.

# 13. NEW BUSINESS ITEMS

## A. Green Vehicle Policy (Dieguez)

Councilmember Dieguez presented the item and stated the importance of being environmentally friendly. Councilmember Dieguez made a motion for the Town's official policy to be that future vehicles purchased by the Town to be environmentally friendly, such as hybrids. The motion was seconded by Councilmember J. Rodriguez and all were in favor.

Councilmember Dieguez explained that he met with Town staff to define what a vehicle is and what vehicles will be subject to this new proposed policy; he mentioned that police vehicles, for example, will be under the discretion of the Major, because they are under contract; he mentioned that he would like for light duty vehicles to be subject to this new policy; he also mentioned that he wants this policy to be cost effective and that he will work with staff on this matter, before the resolution is presented to the Town Council.

## B. Aluminum Patio Roof (J. Rodriguez)

Councilmember J. Rodriguez presented his item and spoke about allowing residents to install aluminum patio roofs in our town. As part of his item, Councilmember Rodriguez asked IT department to play a video to showcase aluminum patio roofs, which was prepared by a town resident.

Councilmember J. Rodriguez then made a motion to direct Town staff to propose an amendment to the Town's Building Code, to grant residents the option to install aluminum patio roofs- attached as canopies or detached, in the Town of Miami Lakes, with the stipulation that the Town Council and the Planning Department set certain style and design criteria for said patio roofs. Councilmember Alvarez seconded the motion.

Councilmember Collazo made a friendly amendment for this not to be used for carports and only in the rear elevation of the home (not visible from the street elevation). Councilmember J. Rodriguez accepted the amendment and all were in favor.

The main motion, as amended, passed unanimously.

# C. NW 87th Avenue Speeding and Protected Nike Lanes (Cid)

Mayor Cid introduced his item and stated that the speeding situation on NW 87<sup>th</sup> is getting out of control and that the bike lanes on that avenue are dangerous to use. Mayor Cid recognized that 87<sup>th</sup> is a county road but that the TOML needs to do something about this situation.

Mayor Cid made a motion directing the Town Manager to work with Miami-Dade County, so protective bike lanes on 87<sup>th</sup> Avenue could be installed, specifically between 154 Street and 170<sup>th</sup>. Councilmember Collazo seconded the motion. Mayor Cid added that he would like to have a discussion with his colleagues about possible solutions for this issue. Councilmember Collazo added that there is also an issue on 89th Avenue, by Barbara Goleman. He also spoke about high visibility enforcement along 87<sup>th</sup> and 89<sup>th</sup>.

# D. Honoring Lieutenant Normando Gregorisch (Collazo, Dieguez)

Motion by Councilmember Collazo to waive Section 7.2 of the Special Rules of Order. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez and all were in favor.

Councilmember Collazo offered his condolences to the Gregorisch family. He proceeded to thank Ms. Bonnie Crook and Mr. Nayib Hassan for bringing this idea to honor Lieutenant Gregorisch's life.

Councilmember Collazo then made a motion to work with the family to either rename the cul-de-sac or find another dignified way to honor Lieutenant Gregorisch in our town. The motion was seconded by Mayor Cid. All the councilmembers expressed their condolences.

Councilmember Dieguez stated that he would like to co-sponsor this item. All councilmembers were in favor.

# E. FPL Franchise Fee (J. Rodriguez)

Councilmember J. Rodriguez presented his item and explained that although the first draft of the proposed budget for Fiscal year 2020-202d was balanced, it did not address the revenue transfers that the Town was forced to make regarding the \$43d,800.00 from the revenue fund balance and the MLOP Capital Fund \$420,000.00.

Thus, Councilmember J. Rodriguez made a motion to increase the FPL Franchise Fee from 3% to 4.5%, in order to meet the requirements to pay back the fund balance and the MLOP Capital Fund, and then abide by the threshold set forth in Ordinance 19-247. The motion failed due to lack of second.

Councilmember J. Rodriguez made a motion to move this item to be discussed in February 202d. After a short discussion, Councilmember J. Rodriguez withdrew his motion.

# F. New School Year 2020-2021 (Cid)

Motion by Mayor Cid to waive Section 7.2 of the Special Rules of Order. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Collazo and all were in favor

Mayor Cid presented his item and explained that many working parents in our community do not have the means to pay for childcare and do not have anyone to assist them with their children; that these parents are put in the position to quit their jobs so they can stay home with their children during the school year. Mayor Cid stated that he would like the Town to do something to help out parents in our community.

Town Manager Pidermann explained that prior to Mayor Cid's and Councilmember Alvarez' new business items, Town staff had been working out a plan in conjunction with partners like YMCA regarding this issue. Town Manager Pidermann asked Danny Angel, Parks and Recreation Director, to highlight and verbally explain what this program entails.

Danny Angel stated that they are opening the Roberto Alonso Community Center and accommodating up to 36 children with the YMCA and that they will also open the Youth Center and accommodate up to 18 kids with Snapology. Danny Angel explained that the Town's facilities would be used but that the Town of Miami Lakes would not be running the programs – that the Town of Miami Lakes would not be liable. The staff members or academic coaches would be at the facilities making sure that the child is doing their schoolwork throughout the day and provide them support.

Danny Angel also explained that the YMCA has been a program provider with the TOML since 2012 and that he was working closely with them and with their child care programming summer program and that he has been working with them for over a month to try to get a facility where children can be, in case schools cannot open. Danny Angel explained what the proposed program is all about, stated that it would be working with the YMCA and Snapology and answered questions posed by the Town Council.

After discussion, Councilmember Ruano made an amendment to approve the Distance E-Learning Program proposed by Town staff and added a sunset clause, to approve the program thru that date (October 2nd) and for Town Council to revisit it and re-approve it, if

necessary. The amendment was seconded by Councilmember Collazo. After more discussion, Councilwoman clarified her motion, and stated that she wants the Town Council to revisit this program next month and for it to be included in the September 15<sup>th</sup> Regular Council Meeting Agenda via a Manager's Report.

After discussion, Mayor Cid clarified that an amendment had been made but that no main motion was ever done.

Councilwoman Ruano then expressed her intentions of formulating a motion and her motion was to approve the Distance E-Learning Program and to sunset it until October 2<sup>nd</sup> and to revisit the item, and for this program to not be opened-ended. Councilmember Collazo seconded this motion but clarified that he agrees with revisiting the program but not necessarily sunsetting the program – Councilmember Collazo explained his position is to revisit the program as opposed to sunsetting or abating the program. He emphasized he would like to move forward with the program and for the Town Council to be able to revisit and discuss the metrics of the program.

Councilmember Alvarez then made an amendment to Councilmember Ruano's main motion and stated that he would approve the Distance E-Learning Program, not cut off the program and extend it until the schoolhouse opens to all students of Miami-Dade County Public Schools, and to work with Councilmember Ruano with some initiatives from the Town of Miami Lakes to bring up to the School Board. This amendment was seconded by Mayor Cid. The Town Clerk called the roll on Councilmember Alvarez' amendment and the motion died 3-3; with Councilmembers Collazo, Dieguez and Councilmember Ruano voting in opposition.

After discussion, Councilmember Ruano withdrew her main motion.

Mayor Cid then made a motion to approve the Distance E-Learning Program, which Town Manager and Danny Angel had presented. Councilmember J. Rodriguez seconded the motion.

Councilmember Ruano amended the main motion to revisit the program for metrics purposes and to see if the School Board has done any changes, at the next Regular Council Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Alvarez. The Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 4-2; with Councilmember J. Rodriguez and Mayor Cid voting in opposition.

Then, the Town Clerk called the roll on the main motion, as amended, and the motion passed unanimously.

# G. Pop-up Academic Centers (Alvarez)

This item was discussed simultaneously with Item 13F.

#### 14. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

None

#### 15. MANAGER'S REPORTS

## A. Town Manager Monthly Police Report

Javi Ruiz, Town Commander, presented the Monthly Police Report. Town Commander Ruiz mentioned that there has been a decreased on the targeted crimes, a small increase in vehicular burglaries, yet this current year has less vehicular burglaries than then previous year.

Onn behalf of the MDCPD, the Town Commander thanked Councilmember Collazo for introducing the item on honoring Lieutenant Normando Gregorisch and he thanked the Town Council for approving the item. He stated that he would be sharing this with the Police Union.

Councilmember Collazo thanked the Town Commander and Lieutenant Gonzalez for his assistance and prompt response regarding constituents issues regarding speeding and a traffic light at Windmill Gate area, for the food distribution and great job in general.

Councilmember J. Rodriguez thanked the Town Commander for his great work and efforts regarding the handling of burglaries and robberies that recently took place. He also expressed his concerned about speeding on 87<sup>th</sup> Avenue and on issues taking place late at night on 169 Terrace and 89<sup>th</sup> Court (in the basketball court area).

Mayor Cid made a motion to extend the meeting to 11:20 pm. It was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez and all present were in favor.

## **B.** Expanding Social Media

Clarisell de Cardenas, Communications and Community Affairs Director, mentioned that a PowerPoint presentation on Social Media would be presented by Brandon Diaz, The Town's Marketing & Digital Services Specialist. Brandon Diaz explained the Town's efforts on expanding the Town's Social Media.

#### C. NW 59th Avenue Extension Project update

Deputy Town Attorney Lorenzo Cobiella provided an update on the taking of the property on the eminent domain and the re-appraisal of the property. He explained that a letter was sent to the landowner, that the Town had extended an offer and that the landowner had until Thursday, August 20<sup>th</sup> to respond. Deputy Town Attorney stated that he will then send another letter to the landowner and will be ready to file the corresponding documents in court, to start the eminent domain process. Town Manager stated that updates of this project will be provided in the near future.

# D. Civic Innovation Challenge

Mike Zayas, Transportation Manager, explained that this is a competition divided into phases; he stated that he submitted the phase 1 with the University of Florida and that the idea of this project is to place around the town, kiosks for individuals who do not have smart phones, and allow them to be able to request a ride from Freebie. He said he will be proving more updates in the future.

Motion by Mayor Cid to extend the meeting to 11:45pm and it was seconded by Councilmember Dieguez. All were in favor.

# E. Contact Tracing

Vanessa Villamil, from MPH and Stephanie Calle, MPH gave a PowerPoint Presentation regarding Contact Tracing.

Councilmember Dieguez made a motion to re-open the Order of Business, it was seconded by Councilmember Collazo and all were in favor.

Then, Councilmember Dieguez made a motion to move up Item 13D, to discussed right after the Contact Tracing presentation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Collazo and all were in favor.

## 16. ATTORNEY'S REPORTS:

The Town Attorney had nothing to report.

## 18. ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Town Council, the meeting adjourned at 11:38 pm.

Manny Cid, Mayo

Attest:

Gina M. Inguanzo, Town Clerk