

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

October 13, 2009

6:30 PM

Miami Lakes Middle School

6425 Miami Lakeway North

Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Michael Pizzi called the meeting to order at 6:48 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

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

3. INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

Mayor Pizzi called for a moment of silence.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pizzi led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Gus Casamayor, a representative from Certified Green Partners, gave a presentation on how the Town of Miami Lakes can become green certified.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mirtha Mendez spoke about the Council and Committee Rules.

Susan O'Neil spoke about the funding of schools in Miami Lakes.

Maria Elena Baez, Hope for Autism Team Captain, asked the Council to adopt a resolution designating the month of April as Autism Awareness Month.

Pedro Correa spoke about creating programs in Miami Lakes for autistic and special needs children.

Luz Valle requested that the Council adopt a resolution for Project Victory, and review the Park Rules to include the usage of a bounce house and slides at private events.

Maria Kramer spoke about the Education Advisory Committee's budget.

Kevin Morejon spoke about Police Protection.

Manny Diaz Jr. spoke in favor of the Town lowering the millage rate.

David Bennett spoke about the Town's parks and budget.
Perla Tabares-Hantman, Miami Dade County School Board member, spoke about the taxes levied by the Miami Dade County School Board.
Judith Martae, Miami Dade County Public Schools, spoke about the School Board's certification from the Truth in Millage Law.

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

Mayor Pizzi moved item 12I, Autism- Awareness and Support, to be heard first, then 12O, 12D, and 12B to follow public comments. Councilmember Perdomo pulled item 8B. Councilmember Lopez withdrew item 12K. Town Manager, Frank Bocanegra, deferred items 11A, 11C, and 11D. The Town Manager added item 13B4 entitled, Lochness and 67th Avenue. Councilmember Meador asked that the minutes be revised to reflect him as appointed to the Public Safety Committee. Councilmember Collins made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion received a second from Vice Mayor Pulido and all were in favor.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Cultural Affairs Committee

Felicia Salazar, Cultural Affairs Committee Chairperson, presented the Committee's report.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Minutes:

Zoning Council Meeting- March 17, 2009

Special Call Meeting 1- March 30, 2009

Special Call Meeting 2- March 30, 2009

Regular Council Meeting- May 12, 2009

Special Call Meeting- June 10, 2009

Special Call Meeting- June 29, 2009

Approved as amended on consent.

B. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, MODIFYING DEPARTMENTAL LINE ITEMS IN THE TOWN'S BUDGET FOR THE 2009-2010 FISCAL YEAR; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER TO TAKE ALL ACTIONS NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS RESOLUTION; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Bocanegra)

Councilmember Perdomo made a motion to deny the budget modification, and further stipulated that all salary increases related to this budget line item be performance based, and that this modification be brought back before the Council at the end of the calendar year. The motion received a second from Councilmember George Lopez. The Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 4-3 with the following Councilmembers voting in favor: Robert Meador, Nick Perdomo, Nancy Simon, and George Lopez. Councilmember Mary

Collins, Vice Mayor Richard Pulido, and Mayor Michael Pizzi voted in opposition.

Councilmember Simon made a motion to approve the remaining item on the consent agenda as amended. The motion received a second from Councilmember Collins and all were in favor.

9. ORDINANCES – FIRST READING

10. ORDINANCES – SECOND READING (PUBLIC HEARING)

11. RESOLUTIONS

A. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA; ACCEPTING/DENYING THE REQUEST OF KAHANE & ASSOCIATES ON BEHALF OF NEW OWNERS ONE WEST BANK TO REDUCE A PREVIOUSLY ASSESSED CODE COMPLIANCE FINE FOR CASE NO. C2008-1136; DIRECTING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY REQUIRED DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.(Bocanegra) Deferred

B. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA; ACCEPTING/DENYING THE REQUEST OF ODALYS FELIPE TO REDUCE A PREVIOUSLY ASSESSED CODE COMPLIANCE FINE FOR CASE NO. C2007-0604; DIRECTING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY REQUIRED DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Bocanegra)

Odalys Felipe requested that Council reduce her fine. The Mayor made a motion to reduce the fine to \$424.00. The motion received a second from Councilmember Simon and all were in favor.

The Mayor called for a break at 9:30 p.m.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 9:55 p.m. and the Town Clerk called the roll with the following Councilmembers present: Nick Perdomo, Robert Meador, Nancy Simon, Mary Collins, George Lopez, Vice Mayor Richard Pulido, and Mayor Michael Pizzi.

C. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA; ACCEPTING/DENYING THE REQUEST OF WENDY MILANES AND MANUEL RODRIGUEZ TO REDUCE A PREVIOUSLY ASSESSED CODE COMPLIANCE FINE FOR CASE NO. C2008-0322; DIRECTING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY REQUIRED DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Bocanegra) Deferred

- D. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA; ACCEPTING/DENYING THE REQUEST OF CLAUDIA SPETSOTIS TO REDUCE A PREVIOUSLY ASSESSED CODE COMPLIANCE FINE FOR CASE NO. C2005-1510; DIRECTING THE TOWN MANAGER TO EXECUTE ANY REQUIRED DOCUMENTS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Bocanegra) Deferred**

12. NEW BUSINESS

A. Revision of the Cone of Silence (Simon)

Councilmember Simon requested that the Cone of Silence be the topic of discussion at the regularly scheduled November Workshop.

B. Town Recycling Program (Pulido)

Vice Mayor Pulido requested that staff provide recycling bins at all Town events.

C. Noise Abatement and Over Flights (Perdomo)

Councilmember Perdomo made a motion to establish a noise abatement and over flight ordinance and directed the Town Manager to contact the Federal Aviation Association to form an agreement for the exclusive use of runway 12 for landing at the Opa-Locka Airport. The motion received a second from Councilmember Simon.

Councilmember Simon amended the motion and proposed that a resolution be drafted instead of an ordinance. Councilmember Perdomo accepted the amendment. The Mayor called for the vote and all were in favor.

D. Miami Lakes Green Certification (Pizzi/ Pulido)

Mayor Pizzi made a motion directing staff to bring back a detailed implementation plan to obtain Green Certification, in the form of a resolution at the next Council Meeting. The implementation plan must include the cost and process to implement the Green Certification Program. The motion received a second from Councilmember Meador and all were in favor.

E. Planning and Zoning Board (Lopez)

Councilmember Lopez made a motion that the Planning and Zoning Board be the topic of discussion at a regularly scheduled Council Workshop and that the Planning and Zoning Board be included. The motion received a second from Councilmember Collins. Mayor Pizzi amended the motion that the workshop only include the Council. Councilmember Lopez accepted the amendment and all were in favor.

F. Historical Committee Funding (Simon) Deferred

G. Amending the Town Charter (Meador/Pizzi)

Councilmember Meador made a motion to schedule a workshop to discuss amending the Town Charter. The motion received a second from Councilmember Simon and all were in favor.

H. Black Box Theatre (Perdomo)

Councilmember Perdomo directed the Town Manager to research the cost savings of the Black Box Theatre performing the Holiday Book Reading.

I. Autism- Awareness and Support (Pulido)

Vice Mayor Pulido made a motion directing staff to work together with Hope for Autism to identify ways to help the autism community and to bring any financial needs that may arise back before the Council. The motion received a second from Councilmember Simon and all were in favor.

J. Establishment of Miami Lakes Charitable Foundation Board (Pizzi)

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to create a Charitable Foundation Board consisting of seven members appointed by each Councilmember. The purpose of the Board would be to set policy and establish guidelines in the distribution of funds to charitable foundations from the Town's 501C foundation. He directed staff to create a resolution and to bring it back before the Council. The motion received a second from Councilmember Collins. Councilmember Collins amended the motion to call the entity a "trust" instead of a "board" to allow fundraising and the convening of events. The Mayor accepted the amendment, called for the vote, and all were in favor.

K. Committee Rules (Lopez) Deferred

L. Hispanic Heritage Month (Perdomo)

Councilmember Perdomo made a motion for the Town to recognize the month of October as Hispanic Heritage Month. The motion received a second from Councilmember Collins and all were in favor.

M. Code Revisions (Pizzi)

Mayor Pizzi made a motion directing staff to bring back language to amend the Land Development Code to address flag poles and the sale of liquor on Sundays. Councilmember Collins seconded the motion. Councilmember Simon amended the motion to include extending the Noise Ordinance till midnight on holidays. The Mayor accepted the amendment, called for the vote, and all were in favor.

N. Senior Mobility and Special Needs Board (Pizzi) Deferred

O. Re-Allocation of Funds (Economic Development Committee/ Bocanegra)

Magali Rubio spoke in favor of the re-allocation.

Jack McCall spoke in favor of the re-allocation of funds.

Cesar Mestre spoke in favor of re-allocating \$10,000 from the Economic Development Committee's budget, Jingle Down Main Street event, to be utilized for the Business Showcase.

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to re-allocate \$10,000 from the Economic Development Committee's budget, Jingle Down Main Street event, to the Miami Lakes Chamber of Commerce's Business Showcase. The motion received a second from Councilmember Perdomo. The Town Clerk called the roll and all were in favor.

Vice Mayor Pulido made a motion to extend the meeting for 10 minutes. The motion received a second from Councilmember Simon and all were in favor.

13. REPORTS

A. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

1. Appointments

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to nominate Cesar Mestre and Martha Diaz to the Economic Development Committee. Margarita Suazo, Lynn Matos, Jan Schneider, Mercy Palacios, Sean Martin, Jose Machado, Jack McCall, Robalando Padilla, and himself to the Cultural Affairs Committee. In addition, the Mayor nominated Cesar Mestre and Hector Diaz to the Public Safety Committee. Councilmember Collins seconded the motion and all were in favor.

2. Council Meeting and Agenda Procedures (Meador)

Councilmember Meador gave a report on the decorum practices of other municipalities.

3. Police K-9 (Pulido) Deferred

4. Pedestrian Crosswalk Signals on NW 154th Street and NW 79th Avenue and NW 82nd Avenue (Perdomo) Deferred

5. Veterans Ad Hoc Committee- Art in Public Places (Collins)

Vice Mayor Pulido made a motion to extend the meeting two minutes and all were in favor.

Councilmember Collins reported on the progress of the Veteran's Memorial mural and will submit the artist rendering to the Council at the November 10th Council Meeting.

6. Town Wide Fitness Initiative (Pizzi) Deferred

7. **Police Protection (Lopez) Deferred**
8. **Background Check Policy (Pulido) Deferred**
9. **Progress of 10th Anniversary Committee (Collins) Deferred**
10. **Economic Building Stimulus Incentive (Meador) Deferred**

B. MANAGER'S REPORT

1. **Landscape Area on 154th Street, between 77th Court and 79th Avenue- Deferred**
2. **Pedestrian Crosswalks- Deferred**
3. **New Businesses- Deferred**
4. **Lochness and 67th Ave.- Deferred**

C. ATTORNEY'S REPORTS

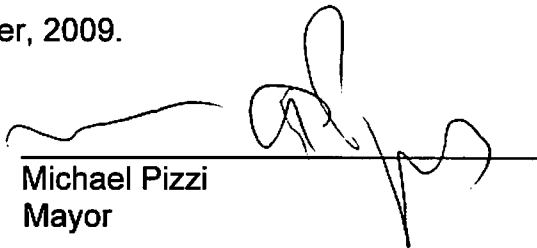
14. FUTURE MEETINGS

November 10, 2009 Regular Meeting, 6425 Miami Lakeway N, Miami Lakes 6:30 pm
December 8, 2009 Regular Meeting, 6425 Miami Lakeway N, Miami Lakes 6:30 pm

15. ADJOURNMENT

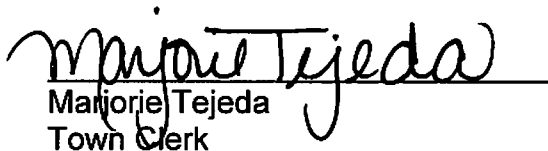
There being no further business to come before this meeting, it adjourned at 11:13 p.m.

Approved this 10th day of November, 2009.



Michael Pizzi
Mayor

Attest:



Marjorie Tejada
Town Clerk