

MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
October 6, 2015
6:30 PM
Government Center
6601 Main Street
Miami Lakes, Florida 33014

1. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Pizzi called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL:

The Town Clerk, Gina M. Inguanzo, called the roll with the following Councilmembers present: Tim Daubert, Tony Lama, Ceasar Mestre, Frank Mingo, Nelson Rodriguez, Vice Mayor Manny Cid and Mayor Michael Pizzi.

3. MOMENT OF SILENCE

The Mayor called for a moment of silence.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Miami Dade County Commissioner Esteban Bovo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

Miami Dade County Commissioner Esteban Bovo presented the Mayor and Council with a donation to fund the Town's Senior Programs for the next six months.

The Mayor and Council recognized Officer Anthony Baez by presenting him with the Officer of the Quarter Award.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Claudia Vergara, President of the Breanna Vergara Foundation, spoke about the importance of children receiving EKG screenings to prevent sudden heart failure and also announced that the Breanna Vergara 5K will take place on December 13th.

The Mayor recognized the students from Bob Graham Education Center which were present to learn about local government.

Gabriel Nodal thanked the Council for supporting the Bob Graham Civics Team's initiatives.

Jaqueline Hernandez, teacher at Bob Graham Education Center and head of the CEA program, announced that the team won 4th place at the national competition “We the People”

Kevin Morejon, spoke on behalf of Jorge Garcia, on the issue of grandfathering a code issue on his property.

Kevin Morejon spoke about a traffic sign in the Lake Patricia shopping center area.

Roberto Alonso, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, spoke about World Stroke Day which will be on October 24th and also announced that the Campaign kick-off to educate and bring awareness the community will be held at the opening of Fire Station 64.

Claudia Luces spoke about civility and in opposition to the taxpayers paying for the Mayor’s legal fees.

Armando Varona spoke in support of item 13F.

Carlos Alvarez spoke in opposition to the residents paying for the Mayor’s legal fees.

Adrienne Chiron spoke about the Town Moover and creating bus stops for the Moover.

Marilyn Ruano stated her concerns and opposition to the town’s residents paying for the Mayor’s legal fees.

Claudia Luces spoke about the Town’s Insurance Company denying the Town’s claim for the Mayor’s legal fees.

Carol Wyllie spoke about the Transportation Summit recommendations and made some recommendations west of the Palmetto.

The Mayor called for a short recess.

Vice Mayor Cid called the meeting to order. The Town Clerk called the roll and all were present.

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

Mayor Pizzi pulled item 12.A.

Councilman Mestre requested that item 16.A be heard directly following the Consent Agenda.

Councilman Daubert pulled items 10.B, 10.C, and 10.D from the consent calendar.

8. APPOINTMENTS:

Councilman Rodriguez appointed Andrew Quiñones to the Cultural Affairs Committee. Mayor Pizzi removed Chris Norwood and appointed Leticia Delgado to the Youth Activities Task Force.

The Mayor called for the vote and all were in favor.

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

No Committee Reports were presented.

10. CONSENT CALENDAR:

The Mayor made a motion to adopt the remaining item on the consent agenda and to adopt the order of business. Councilman Mestre seconded the motion and all were in favor.

A. Approval of Minutes:

September 1, 2015 Regular Council Meeting
September 10, 2015 First Budget Hearing
September 28, 2015 Second Budget Hearing

Approved on consent.

- B. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER, UNDER CONTRACT 2016-01 TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT TO CONTINUE THE SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH INOBBAR, L.L.C. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$71,280; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER 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; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Rey)**

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to adopt the resolution. The motion received a second from Councilman Mestre and all were in favor.

- C. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER, UNDER CONTRACT 2016-04, TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT TO CONTINUE THE SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT AND RELATED SOFTWARE FEES WITH TYLER TECHNOLOGIES, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$140,000; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER 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; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Rey)

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to adopt the resolution. The motion received a second from Councilman Lama and all were in favor.

- D. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER, UNDER CONTRACT 2016-03, TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT TO CONTINUE THE SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, INC. IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$20,000; AUTHORIZING THE TOWN MANAGER 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; PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF RECITALS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Rey)

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to adopt the resolution. The motion received a second from Councilman Lama and all were in favor.

11. ORDINANCE-FIRST READING:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, AMENDING ARTICLE IV, DIVISION 3, SECTION 13-444, DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN CODE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Pizzi)

The Town Attorney read the title of the ordinance. Mayor Pizzi made a motion to approve the ordinance on first reading. Councilman Mestre seconded the motion. The Town Clerk called the roll and all were in favor.

12. RESOLUTIONS:

- A. A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES, FLORIDA, APPROVING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR IMPROVEMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE TOWN OF MIAMI LAKES FROM THE TRANSPORTATION SUMMIT; DIRECTING THE TOWN MANAGER TO INTEGRATE THESE RECOMMENDATIONS INTO THE TOWN'S STRATEGIC PLAN; DIRECTING THE TOWN MANAGER TO PURSUE IMPLEMENTATION OF THESE RECOMMENDATIONS AS APPROPRIATE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. (Rey/Lama/Rodriguez)

The Town Attorney read the title of the resolution.

Councilman Lama made a motion to adopt the resolution. Councilman Rodriguez seconded the motion.

Councilman Lama requested that the Town Manager include Mrs. Wyllie's 3 recommendations during the discussion with FDOT: 1. Extend right hand turn lane on the perimeter road by the fire station 2. Left turn at 82nd and Oak Lane 3. Traffic light at 79th

The Mayor called for the vote and all were in favor.

13. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Miami Lakes Police Department (Cid)

The Vice Mayor made a motion to express the Council's support of the Police Force. Councilman Mingo seconded the motion all were in favor.

B. Support our law enforcement by hanging blue ribbons in their honor! (Rodriguez)

Councilman Rodriguez made a motion encouraging town residents to tie blue ribbons on the columns of their homes to express their support of the Police Force. Councilman Mestre seconded the motion and all were in favor.

C. Intent of our Town Charter (Mingo)

Councilman Mingo made a motion to schedule Council Workshops to discuss the Town's Charter. The motion received a second from Councilman Lama and all were in favor.

D. Protecting Youth from Accessibility and Exposure to items commonly referred to as "Drug Paraphernalia" (Mestre)

Councilman Mestre made a motion directing the Town Attorney to come up with language that can be implemented town-wide to restrict the placement of such items to make it less accessible to children. Councilman Lama seconded the motion and all were in favor.

E. Miami Lakes Economic Growth Act (Pizzi, Mestre)

Mayor Pizzi made a motion to schedule a Workshop to include Business Leaders and Staff to review the Code to better assist with business owners. The Mayor withdrew his motion.

The Mayor made a motion for the Town Manager and Brandon Schaad to meet with the sponsors of this item to identify any Code Revisions that may assist the

businesses in expediting permits and for the Town Manager to designate an expeditor and point of contact for the businesses. The motion received a second from Councilman Mestre and all were in favor.

F. Wall facing major streets and avenues (Cid)

Vice Mayor Cid made a motion directing staff to explore alternatives to allow non-conforming uses when a repair is being done strictly for aesthetic purposes. Councilman Mestre seconded the motion and all were in favor.

G. Blocking of roads by utility companies (Rodriguez)

Councilman Rodriguez made a motion that the fines be increased for utility companies when not in compliance. The motion received a second from Councilman Mestre and all were in favor.

H. Miami Lakes Unity & Civility Act (Pizzi)

Mayor Pizzi deferred this item.

I. Cellular Antennas in Our Parks (Rodriguez)

Councilman Rodriguez made a motion directing staff to return with legislation modifying the Code to allow cellular antennas on the light posts in the parks. The motion received a second from Mayor Pizzi and all were in favor.

J. Miami Lakes Volunteer Services Program (Pizzi)

Mayor Pizzi deferred this item.

14. MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS:

A. Loving Soles 3rd Annual Shoe Drive (Lama)

Councilman Lama asked the Council to support this initiative and invited them to the event that will be taking place in November 2015.

B. Opening of the Fire Station (Pizzi)

Mayor Pizzi deferred this item.

C. Senior Services (Pizzi)

Mayor Pizzi deferred this item.

D. County Water & Services Issues (Pizzi)

Mayor Pizzi deferred this item.

15. MANAGER'S REPORT:

A. Appointment of the Vice Mayor Policies & Procedures

The Town Clerk presented the policy and procedure to annually elect a Vice Mayor as per the Charter.

Councilman Mingo made a motion to adopt the policy and procedures. Vice Mayor Cid seconded the motion and all were in favor.

B. Legislative Priorities

The Town Manager presented the Town's legislative priorities which the lobbyist will be requesting state funds.

Councilman Rodriguez made a motion that communication be disseminated to the appropriate parties expressing the Council's opposition to changing the Town's Elections to odd number years. Councilman Lama seconded the motion and all were in favor.

C. Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Policy

Tony Lopez, Director of Operations, presented the proposed the Sudden Cardiac Arrest Awareness Policy.

16.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

A. Mayor Pizzi's Litigation Against the Town of Miami Lakes

Mayor Pizzi recused himself.

The Town Attorney requested that Lydecker Diaz Law Firm be hired for continued representation in the three lawsuits filed by the Mayor against the Town.

Councilman Mestre made a motion that the Town enter directly into an agreement with Lydecker Diaz Law Firm for an amount of \$50,000 to represent the Town against the lawsuits filed against the Town by Mayor Pizzi and for the checks to be signed by the Vice Mayor and the Town Manager. Councilman Mingo seconded the

motion. The Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 6-0. Mayor Pizzi had recused himself.

The Town Attorney requested an Executive Session to discuss these lawsuits.

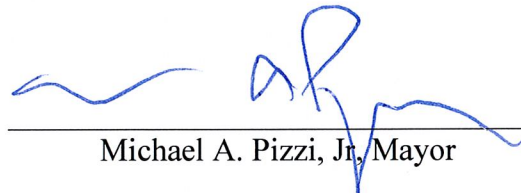
Councilman Mingo made a motion directing the Town Attorney to offer, in writing, to Mr. Pizzi full assignments of our rights under the Town's insurance company for full release of the people of Miami Lakes. Councilman Lama seconded the motion. The Town Clerk called the roll and the motion passed 6-0. Mayor Pizzi had recused himself.

17. The Town Attorney gave a report on the lawsuits filed by Mayor Pizzi against the Town.

ADJOURMENT:

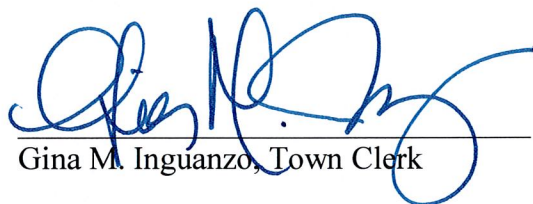
There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting adjourned at 10:35 pm.

Approved this 3rd day of November 2015.



Michael A. Pizzi, Jr., Mayor

Attest:



Gina M. Inguanzo, Town Clerk