

MINUTES
Miami Lakes Chamber of Commerce Meeting with Council
October 6, 2015
5:45 p.m.
Community Conference Room
6601 Main Street, Miami Lakes, FL 33014

1. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 5:46 pm.

Present at the meeting were: Marta Diaz, Mara Falero, Elsa Reus, Magaly Rubio, Sara Suarez, Nicole Singletary, Carmen Stewart, Carol Wyllie, Jack McCall, Alex Rey and the following councilmembers: Tim Daubert, Tony Lama, Ceasar Mestre, Frank Mingo, Nelson Rodriguez and Vice Mayor Cid. Mayor Michael Pizzi joined the meeting at 6:15 pm.

2. Business Items Discussed:

1. Chamber to be Recipient of Marketing Dollars-

Chamber expressed their concerns regarding the \$150,000 proposed donation and taxation consequences. Ms. Carol Wyllie and Councilman Ceasar Mestre gave an explanation on how the Marketing Dollars idea evolved. After much discussion, the Chamber did not agree to be the recipient.

2. Town Representation on Chamber Board-

Vice Mayor Cid explained that the Board of the Miami Lakes Chamber should include a (non-voting) Town Staff member. All Councilmembers agreed and reiterated that it should not be an elected official as the Chamber should not be used as a vehicle for policy. There was an open discussion regarding the importance of having the ability of free and open conversation without a political figure in attendance. Ms. Carol Wyllie, the Town Manager and all Councilmembers agreed that the member or "Liaison" should be appointed by the Town Manager.

3. Youth Activity Task Force Employment Initiative-

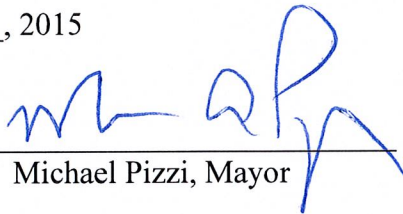
Vice Mayor Cid explained his interested in wanting some kind of "Summer Training Program" and Job Fair for the Town's Youth Activity Task Force. Some examples on what the training would include: resume preparation, simple professional steps during interview process, etc. A recommendation for Ms. Lynn Matos and Ms. Nicole Singletary to further discuss with Chamber was agreed upon.

3. Actions to be Taken:

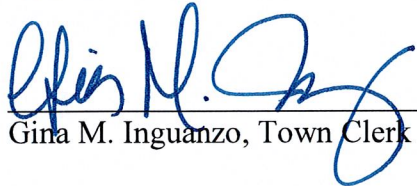
1. Mr. Raul Gastesi, Town Attorney, to call Ms. Magaly Rubio from the Chamber of

- Commerce to discuss details of proposed partnership.
2. Mr. Alex Rey, Town Manager, will call Carmen Elias, CPA, to discuss her taxation concerns.
 3. Follow-up on Chambers' position regarding the agreement and marketing company.
 4. Town Representation on Chamber Board will be discussed by the Chamber's Executive Board members in private.
 5. The Chamber, Ms. Nicole Singletary, and Ms. Lynn Matos will meet and discuss Employment Initiatives.

Approved this 3rd day of November, 2015


Michael Pizzi, Mayor

Attest:


Gina M. Inguanzo, Town Clerk