

PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Rob Baldwin, followed by a Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Roll Call: Present were Councilmembers Jeril Cohen, Pamela Gunn, John Pietrowski, and Wanda Schwerer; Mayor Rob Baldwin, Vice Mayor Leslie Ford Notaro, City Manager Nancy Gonzalez, City Clerk Patricia Gentry, and Community Improvement Officer William "Jack" White. Councilmember Mitchell Krach and City Attorney Paul Marino were unable to attend.

1. Approval of Agenda.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Pietrowski and seconded by Councilmember Schwerer to approve the Agenda.

Motion passed 6-0.

2. Approval of July 6, 2015, City Council Meeting Minutes.

MOTION was made by Councilmember Schwerer and seconded by Councilmember Gunn to approve the July 6, 2015, City Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion passed 6-0.

3. Citizens Comments. (Each speaker will be recognized once and will be limited to a (3) three minute presentation on any subject that is not on the Agenda)

Seeing no one, Citizens Comments was closed.

Regular Agenda:

4. Request City Council's authorization to enter into an Agreement between the City of Belleair Beach and Bob Gualtieri, as Sheriff of Pinellas County, for a renewal period of one year commencing on October 1, 2014, and concluding September 30, 2016, at a cost not to exceed \$443,712.36. (City Manager) (see backup)

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Notaro and seconded by Councilmember Cohen to enter into an Agreement between the City of Belleair Beach and Bob Gualtieri, as Sheriff of Pinellas County, for a renewal period of one year

commencing on October 1, 2014, and concluding September 30, 2016, at a cost not to exceed \$443,712.36.

Motion passed 6-0.

5. Update on Code Enforcement by Community Improvement Officer Jack White.

Community Improvement Officer White gave updates on properties that had not been in compliance. He presented pictures to Council that had been given to him anonymously regarding a home on Aleta Drive. Mr. White visited the property, spoke with the homeowner and determined there was no violation at that address. He stated 2192 Louisa Drive was in foreclosure and he is in contact with Cyprex Services. The house at Gulf and Causeway Boulevards is now in foreclosure and the bank has sent an insurance adjuster and then will be addressing the issues. He had visited the construction sites in the City, had asked the contractors to clean up the properties, and they had done so. City Manager Gonzalez advised that the City has 5 to 6 site plans for construction of new homes and Mr. White and Mr. Godfrey will be working on them.

Mayor Baldwin thanked Mr. White.

6. Consideration of reappointment to the Belleair Beach Park and Recreation Board. (City Clerk) (see backup)

MOTION was made by Councilmember Pietrowski and seconded by Councilmember Schwerer to reappoint Mr. Alan Mintz to the Belleair Beach Park and Recreation Board.

Motion passed 6-0.

7. Consideration of reappointment to the Belleair Beach Board of Adjustment. (City Clerk) (see backup)

MOTION was made by Councilmember Schwerer and seconded by Vice Mayor Notaro to reappoint Ms. Martha Matthews Vasquez to the Belleair Beach Board of Adjustment.

Motion passed 6-0.

8. Continued discussion on undergrounding of utilities citywide.

Discussion followed regarding a possible workshop; keeping the momentum going; finding sources of funding; and adding the item to next month's agenda.

9. Mayor and Council Comments.

Councilmember Pietrowski offered his condolences on the passing of Mr. Godfrey's mother. He also spoke regarding the fact that there was no insulation in the ceiling of the building and consideration of a discussion to install it; and asked if there were any interest in moving the City Council meeting time up as other cities had done.

Councilmember Gunn had no further comments.

Councilmember Schwerer stated the BIG-C had sent a letter to the Legislature requesting that the annual ethics training be amended to be required upon election or reelection. Sea turtle lighting was discussed. The Florida Shore & Beach Preservation Association would be having their 59th Annual Conference in September. [Vice Mayor Notaro would be attending]

Vice Mayor Notaro stated former Mayor Mortensen had told her the quality of the new videos on the website have been wonderful and are well worth the cost. Ms. Notaro attended the SLOC advocacy team meeting regarding issues to be addressed with the Legislators, such as the communication service tax, the importance of Home Rule, and public records request abuses. She would be attending the FLOC Annual Conference in Orlando and hoped to get contacts for help with beach nourishment.

Mayor Baldwin asked City Manager Gonzalez to find out how much sand had been lost during the recent storms. Ms. Gonzalez stated she speaks with John Bishop of the County frequently regarding the erosion and the next nourishment, and will ask him about the status of the beach.

10. City Attorney Comments.

City Attorney Marino was unable to attend.

11. City Manager Comments.

City Manager Gonzalez advised she had received the County's emergency housing ordinance in December and would be discussing it at the next Council meeting. She had also received a letter from Pinellas County Property Appraiser Pam Dubov and Tax Collector Diane Nelson requesting municipalities enter into an agreement with them and a third party company regarding homestead tax fraud. She had requested that Pam Dubov come to discuss the issue at the September meeting.

Vice Mayor Notaro stated Clearwater would be building a parking garage which may alleviate the parking problem. Discussion followed regarding the traffic going to Clearwater Beach through Belleair Beach and the sign that had been requested regarding an alternate route to Clearwater Beach.

ADJOURN

MOTION was made by Councilmember Pietrwoski to adjourn the meeting.

Motion passed 6-0.

Date Approved

APPROVED: _____
Rob Baldwin, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Patricia A. Gentry, CMC, City Clerk