

CITY COUNCIL CAPITAL PROJECTS AND MARINA BUDGET WORKSHOP
CITY OF BELLEAIR BEACH
June 5, 2019
5:30 P.M.

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

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

Roll Call: Present were Councilmembers Robyn Ache, Marv Behm, Dave Gattis and Rita Swope; Vice Mayor Glenn Gunn, Mayor Joseph A. Manzo, City Manager Lynn Rives, City Clerk Patricia Gentry, Finance Officer Melanie Kruszona, and Community Services Administrator Kyle Riefler. Councilmember Jody Shirley arrived at 6:04pm.

1. Discussion and review of Capital Projects and Marina FY 2019/2020 Budget.

Vice Mayor Gunn requested to add an item to the Agenda for discussion and comments regarding Monday night's Council Meeting.

Mayor Manzo asked if there were any objection to add the item and to discuss it now as the workshop would be long.

There were no objections.

Vice Mayor Gunn: As I replayed the mental video tape of Monday night's Council Meeting, I think we could have done better. I don't think the conduct and decorum of the session was what we want to project as a Council and interaction with people. We could have been more flexible in the things we did and toned down the conversation.

Councilmember Ache: I completely agree. Immediately before the recess was called, I almost stood up to ask for calm because the children in the audience looked terrified. I understand tempers and passion, but we need to figure out a way to do it in a calmer way.

Councilmember Swope: I also heard a lot from the Community after the meeting - that we invite the children to the meetings, and this is what they are seeing - it does need to change.

Councilmember Behm: The City Attorney should have waited with his comments, with children in the audience, I agree we need to calm down, we can accomplish more that way.

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Councilmember Gattis: I agree with the comments made. I would also like to remind everyone that the people who are no longer on Council helped to make this place to what attracted us here and even if we don't agree with their opinions, we owe them the greatest respect and admiration for bringing us here.

Mayor Manzo: As the chairperson of these meetings I have the duty to enforce decorum, and decorum is a two-way street. By the City Code we are to follow *Robert's Rules of Order*.

Mayor Manzo discussed the previous Council meeting further.

Vice Mayor Gunn: It's the tone, the goal is to be a collegial body creating an atmosphere of working together. If the mindset coming into the meeting was adversarial, that was the result. The other thing that didn't help and was inflammatory was the agenda item for moving forward the 30-day notification of termination. I think we got the result we should have expected, and we should have thought that through. When it gets to a shouting match it's time to take a recess.

Councilmember Behm: Unfortunately, the audience doesn't understand it's not termination – it's putting the job out for bid.

Councilmember Ache to Mayor Manzo: My impression is that it has been the same for twenty years and that can't go on, you have to adapt and change. I think we're all in agreement that we're willing to work together and now that I know, we'll help you out as far as when things are getting out of control, call a point of order and stop it.

Mayor Manzo: To Councilmember's Gattis' point, I have respect for prior Councilmembers opinions, but feel they were being used. I will not hold another meeting until there is a Deputy present. The meeting was potentially dangerous and there was no PCSO Deputy here until later because the Deputy on duty was sick.

Councilmember Gattis: I think whether the confrontation had occurred or not we would have voted the exact same way.

Mayor Manzo: I want to thank each person on this Council – in my opinion we made the right decision. The behavior of this Council has been exemplary.

Councilmember Swope: On a different subject – as you brought up, there's no secrets in this room. At the last work session I noticed we were videoing. Do we know when that's going to be put online, because I don't know that we normally video work sessions.

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Mayor Manzo: That was not a video by the City and there's a request pending at this point. Somebody made a request to me. I'll answer it when I finish the research on that. It's not my video, I'll tell you that, so, but the request was made of me.

Mayor Manzo: The next thing is the discussion of the Capital Projects and Marina budgets for 2019-2020.

City Manager Rives: From the survey to City Council and the survey to the Residents the rankings were pretty much in agreement for priorities.

Budget discussion ensued.

7:05pm Mayor Manzo called for a 10-minute recess.

7:15pm Meeting reconvened.

City Manager Rives reviewed the take-away from the discussion:

- Have an engineer develop a long-term street paving plan
- Remove the generator from the budget at this time
- Remove the larger transfer switch for generator
- Bayside Park – remove if no grant is received
- Tennis Courts – remove if no grant is received – still need fence repair
- Discuss buoys with Belleair Shore

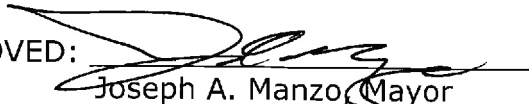
City Manager Rives: Budget numbers will be revised prior to the next meeting.

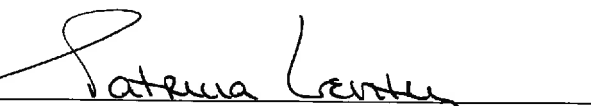
ADJOURN

MOTION was made by Vice Mayor Gunn and seconded by Councilmember Gattis to adjourn the meeting.

Motion passed 7-0.

July 1, 2019
Date Approved

APPROVED: 
Joseph A. Manzo, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Patricia A. Gentry, City Clerk