

CITY OF ATLANTIS
260 ORANGE TREE DRIVE
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2010

Mayor Michael C. Dahlgren called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Present: Mayor Michael C. Dahlgren, Vice Mayor David Kintz, Mayor Pro Tem Catherine Higgins, Councilmember Fred Furtado, Councilmember Manny Fernandez, City Manager Mo Thornton, City Attorney Keith Davis, Police Chief Robert G. Mangold, Utilities Director Steve Mazuk and City Clerk Jude M. Cochran.

Vice Mayor David Kintz made a motion to approve the minutes from the Final Budget hearing and the City Council Meeting on September 15, 2010. Councilmember Fred Furtado seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney Davis read by title only Resolution 10-25, a Resolution updating the schedules of fees and charges. There was lengthy discussion regarding the fee for the park use on weekends. The Mayor asked if there was anyone wishing to speak on this matter: Keller Lanahan of 256 North Country Club, Jackie Taylor of 404 South Country Club Drive, Leslie Leckrone of 569 South Country Club Drive and Sally Weber of 312 Fairway Court all gave comments and suggestions. Vice Mayor David Kintz made a motion to approve the resolution. Councilmember Manny Fernandez seconded the motion. Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Dahlgren wished a happy birthday to Edward Nabhan, who couldn't be present this evening to accept a proclamation.

Mayor Dahlgren asked for comments from the public: Pat Thorne of 540 Woodland Circle commented on the garbage services being provided by the present company. She also commented on the white fly attacking a hedge on Lantana Road leaving the branches bare. Ivan Goldberg of 244 Orange Tree Drive commented on the County Board of Ethics Commission and is opposed to council signing on with them. Kristen Puhalainen from the Palm Beach County League of Cities thanked the city for hosting the annual scholarship tournament at the Atlantis Golf Club. She also informed council that the next meeting will be held in Royal Palm Beach at the Culture Center on October 27, 2010, the Legislative Round Table will take place in November and the Tri-Cities Annual Barbeque will take place on December 10, 2010 in Pahokee.

City Manager Mo Thornton gave the City Manager's Report. She informed council that the tennis court resurfacing job has failed. There was a lengthy discussion on whether or not to replace the court or try to repair it. Council would like additional pricing on replacement. She also discussed recommendations from the city engineer Jay Foy regarding projects for city streets. City Manager Thornton updated council on the current lawsuit with Lake Worth Utilities. There will be a joint public meeting with all eight entities to discuss the conflict. She also informed council that Ty and Marie Tynan have resigned as Masters of Ceremony for the Holiday on Wheels Parade, and suggested council fill their positions. The Spring Fling is planned for April 2, 2010 and Southern Waste Systems has pledged ten thousand dollars for all of the city's annual events.

Chief Robert Mangold gave the police activity report for the month of September.

City Attorney Keith Davis updated council on the depositions of Sergeant Amason and Officer Velez in the wrongful death suit at JFK Medical Center.

Mayor Dahlgren asked for Council comments: Councilmember Fernandez gave the City and Utilities financial reports and congratulated the city for getting the budget within a percent point. Vice Mayor Kintz commented on the current situation at the park and agrees that something needs to be done to make the residents feel welcome when using the park. Mayor Pro Tem Higgins thanked everyone for the hard work on the Fall Festival, especially Keller Lanahan and Collene Walter. The event was nice and everyone had fun. She thanked Chief Mangold for setting up a meeting with Thomas Shea, a group of residents and police personnel to discuss the current crime prevention plan. She encouraged residents to call the police if they see anything unusual or out of place in the city. Mayor Pro Tem Higgins stated she has received some complaints about the current garbage company and hope that we can get them to improve. She also commented on the park situation and hopes we can modestly upgrade the park building without having to spend a lot of money. She thanked everyone for coming and reminded them of the upcoming Holiday Home Decoration Contest. Councilmember Fred Furtado commented the current garbage services and said unlike the few people that have complained he has positive feed back from residents about them. Their prices are down from the previous company and they provide good personal service. Councilmember Furtado commented on the current situation at the park and would like to see some sort of permit issued for residents who use it on weekends. Mayor Dahlgren commented on the new security guard company. He reminded everyone about the Halloween Party on October 31, 2010. Councilmember Fernandez commented on the situation at the park. He also thanked Keller Lanahan, Leslie Leckrone and the volunteers who worked on the Fall Festival event.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Jude M. Cochran, City Clerk

Michael C. Dahlgren, Mayor

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