

CITY OF ATLANTIS  
260 ORANGE TREE DRIVE, ATLANTIS, FLORIDA  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
MINUTES  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15, 2009

Mayor Manny Fernandez called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

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

Vice Mayor Fred Furtado moved to approve the minutes of the Organizational Meeting and Council Meeting held on March 18, 2009. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Catherine Higgins. Motion carried 4-0.

City Attorney Keith Davis read by title only Resolution No. 09-09 – A resolution authorizing the city manager to negotiate for banking services and open all appropriate banking accounts in the name of the City of Atlantis with TD Bank; Authorizing the signatories on the account(s) to be the Mayor and all council members as well as the city manager; providing an effective date; and for other purposes. Councilmember Michael Dahlgren motioned to approve the resolution. Vice Mayor Fred Furtado seconded the motion. Pierre Rodriquez of TD Bank spoke briefly about their services. Motion carried 4-0

Mayor Fernandez asked for comments from the public.

Pat Thorne of 540 Woodland Circle thanked the council and city staff for their quick action on installing a sign at Alpine Drive. Mrs. Thorne addressed traffic on Pinetree Court and Alpine Drive and requested a stop sign be installed there.

Leslie Leckrone of 569 South Country Club Drive commended city staff and City Manager Mo Thornton for an excellent job on the 50<sup>th</sup> celebration. Council members also thanked Mrs. Leckrone for her hard work on the 50<sup>th</sup> and with the City's Easter Egg Hunt. Mrs. Leckrone reminded residents the new library on Lantana Road will be opening on April 25, 2009.

Mr. Ivan Goldberg commented on the joyous perfection 50<sup>th</sup> celebration on April 4, 2009.

Mr. William Craig Mitchell asked that the city look into the property at 205 JFK Drive, a commercial property that can be seen from the residential areas of the city. Mr. Mitchell's concerns are that the property is not up to minimum property standards.

Mrs. Nancy Wolfe of 465 Pinetree Ct. asked what happened to the gate at the west entrance and who assumed the costs of repairs. City Manager Mo Thornton and Chief Mangold answered her questions.

City Manager Mo Thornton reported on the last League of Cities meeting she attended. The county will pass a proclamation naming June 19, 2009 City of Atlantis Day. City Manager Thornton encouraged all of the council to attend the BCC Meeting on May 5, 2009 where it will be adopted. The next meeting will be held at the Pahokee Marina. The league will be awarding scholarships. The League's Financial Committee met today and there will be no due increases. City Manager Thornton invited all council members to participate in the installation of officers' banquet on May 29, 2009. City Manager Thornton commented on the success of the 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration. She will keep the committee assembled for future events in the city, as it was nice to see people socializing and getting to know one another.

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

City Attorney Davis reported no new action on the Dual Tax Lawsuit.

Councilmember Catherine Higgins thanked City Manager Thornton for an excellent job on the 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration. She has had nothing but positive reactions from the residents on the event. Councilmember Higgins also encouraged residents to purchase the 50<sup>th</sup> Memory Books available at City Hall. Vice Mayor Fred Furtado expressed his concerns about several homes in the city not maintaining minimum property standards and the appearance of rust on the fountain at the Club House and Congress Ave entrance. City Manager Thornton reported that the fountain motor was out for repair and the homes were being addressed at this time. Vice Mayor Furtado also expressed his appreciation on the 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration. Councilmember Michael Dahlgren reported on the budgets and balance sheet and so far the city is on track. Councilmember Dahlgren also commended department heads on controlling budgets and staying on track. Mayor Fernandez thanked all city staff for an excellent job on the 50<sup>th</sup> Celebration and also thanked the Country Club staff for an excellent job. Mayor Fernandez commented on how proud he is of the city and its staff.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 PM

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Jude Cochran, City Clerk

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Mayor Manny Fernandez

Note: A mechanical recording has been made of the foregoing procedures of which these minutes are a part, and is on files in the office of the City Clerk.