

CITY OF APOPKA

Minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on April 19, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., in the City of Apopka Council Chambers.

PRESENT: Mayor Joe Kilsheimer
Commissioner Billie Dean
Commissioner Diane Velazquez
Commissioner Doug Bankson
Commissioner Kyle Becker
City Attorney Cliff Shepard
City Administrator Glenn Irby

PRESS PRESENT: Teresa Sargeant - The Apopka Chief
Reggie Connell, The Apopka Voice

INVOCATION: Mayor Kilsheimer introduced Pastor John Fisher of First United Methodist Church of Apopka, who gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Kilsheimer said on April 18, 1775, Paul Revere and William Dawes set off on their historic ride to warn patriot leaders in Concord, New Hampshire that British troops had been dispatched to seize their arms. They rode through the countryside to Boston and rallied the minutemen to take up arms and fight against the British with the cry "The British are coming." Part of the long rehearsed plan was to place lanterns in the steeple of Boston's Old North Church to alert the minutemen of British troop movement, "One if by land, two if by sea." On that evening, Paul Revere placed two lanterns in the steeple and the militia met the British troops at Concord at about 5:00 a.m. on April 19. In that confrontation, the "shot heard around the world" was fired and the brief Battle of Lexington began the American Revolution. He asked everyone to reflect upon the vision, vigilance and gallantry of our American Patriots as he led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 1. City Council regular meeting March 15, 2017.**
- 2. City Council regular meeting March 29, 2017.**

MOTION by Commissioner Velazquez, and seconded by Commissioner Becker to approve the minutes of March 15, 2017, and March 29, 2017 regular Council meetings. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Kilsheimer, and Commissioners Dean, Velazquez, Becker, and Bankson voting aye.

AGENDA REVIEW: Glenn Irby, City Administrator advised there were no changes.

PUBLIC COMMENT/STAFF RECOGNITION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Public Comment:

Tony Foster said he was proud of Apopka for so many reasons and said we have many hidden gems in Apopka. He introduced Ms. Zita Ross. Ms. Ross said she recently relocated to Apopka

and was loving this cherished city. She stated she has been in the Orlando area for well over eighteen years and worked for Visit Orlando for most of that time. She recently became semi-retired and works on special projects from home. She said her background has been sales and marketing and hopes to be able to assist Apopka and utilize her skills to partnership and help Apopka achieve some of their goals.

Mark Washington, Coach at Wolf Lake Middle School, and Alex Washington, Physical Education Teacher at Apopka Elementary School spoke on behalf of Cooper Palms Sportsplex, saying they were residents in Apopka and they would like to take an opportunity to give back to the community. Their idea is to hold a City of Apopka based summer basketball youth camp to keep the youth safe, active, and out of trouble during the summer break. They will be meeting with Mr. Cooper again to finalize pricing. They said they were asking for any financial assistance to be able to help youth unable to pay for the opportunity to participate.

Mayor Kilsheimer said Petey Vergos is one of the most remarkable bowlers in the United States. He presented Petey with a special award recognizing him for his outstanding historic bowling career at Apopka High School.

Proclamation:

Mayor Kilsheimer read a proclamation recognizing the Apopka High School Bowling Team and Coaches for winning four consecutive state championship titles and a national title. He proclaimed April 19, 2017, to be Apopka High School Bowling Team Day in the City of Apopka, presenting each member and coach with a proclamation.

Presentations:

1. Presentation of New York Stair Climb and Pensacola Beach Firefighter Challenge Teams.
Chief Carnesale said on March 17, 2017, Apopka firefighters traveled to New York City to participate in the St. Patrick's Day Parade and the New York City Memorial Stair Climb of 72 floors of the No. 4 World Trade Center. The climb was in full bunker gear, as well as wearing their air packs. Each firefighter climbed in memory of a lost 9/11 FDNY firefighter. He introduced the Apopka team that participated. Once they were done, they came back down and learned there were ten firefighters that did not show up to climb in memory of a lost firefighter. Apopka volunteered to climb again in memory of these ten lost firefighters. They climbed a second time and carried an American Flag with them as they climbed the second time.

Chief Carnesale said last weekend a lot of these same firefighters traveled to Pensacola Beach to participate in the Pensacola Beach Firefighter Challenge. He reviewed pictures of the competition. Fifty firefighters participated in this event representing five states. Apopka had two teams participating and won first place overall and second place overall in the competition. Renee Beasley had the fastest time for a female, Dillon Spencer had the fastest time for his age group, Sean Knapp had the fastest time for his age group, and Scott Herald had the fastest time they had ever seen. Sean Knapp also took the second place time. At this time he showed a video of both events. Chief announced that this group will be competing next month in the Scott Firefighter Combat Challenge in Apopka at the Sam's Club.

2. Presentation of a 9/11 Firefighter Memorial Painting to the Apopka Fire Department.

Jose Molina thanked the Mayor Kilsheimer, Commissioner Velazquez and Ed Velazquez for their efforts in making the 9/11 memorial a reality in Apopka. He thanked the Apopka Fire Department for their support and contributions at their annual WTC Golf outing and for their participation in the New York City Memorial Stair Climb. He advised that all proceeds from the golf outing were donated to the National Fallen Firefighter's Foundation. Retired New York City Firefighter Joey Ruiz and Retired New York City Detective Ed Velazquez unveiled a Firefighter Memorial Painting by Paul Walsh that was presented to the Apopka Fire Department in memory of the 343 Firefighters and 60 Police Officers, and 8 EMTs that made the ultimate sacrifice.

CONSENT (Action Item)

1. Authorize a Private Street Traffic Enforcement Agreement with Overlooks at Parkside Condo Association.
2. Authorize a Police Department Illegal Narcotics and Related Criminal Activity Agreement.
3. Award three pre-qualified General Contractor firms a continuing service contract.
4. Award two Geotechnical & Environmental Engineering Services Contracts.
5. Award a design engineering and hydrogeology services contract to Reiss Engineering for the deepening of Well #4.
6. Approve the purchase of PVC pipe for the Schopke Road reclaimed water main extension.
7. Approve the renewal of a wastewater residual transport & disposal contract with Shelly's Environmental Systems.

MOTION by Commissioner Becker, and seconded by Commissioner Velazquez, to approve the seven items on the Consent Agenda. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Kilsheimer, and Commissioners Dean, Velazquez, Becker, and Bankson voting aye.

BUSINESS

1. **Final Development Plan – Cooper Palms Commerce Center – Office/Warehouse**

Mayor Kilsheimer announced this was a quasi-judicial hearing. Witnesses were sworn in by the clerk.

David Moon, Planning Manager, provided a brief lead-in of the FDP for the Office/Warehouse on Lot 6 of the Cooper Palms Commerce Center. He reviewed the location of the site and said the proposed building was 7,500 square feet. The Planning Commission recommended approval at their meeting on April 9, 2017. DRC also recommends approval.

Mayor Kilsheimer opened the meeting to a public hearing. No one wishing to speak, he closed the public hearing.

MOTION by Commissioner Bankson, and seconded by Commissioner Dean to approve the Final Development Plan for Cooper Palms Commerce Center, Office/Warehouse. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Kilsheimer, and Commissioners Dean,

Velazquez, Becker, and Bankson voting aye.

PUBLIC HEARINGS/ORDINANCES/RESOLUTION

1. **Resolution No. 2017-08 – Amending the budget for FY October 1, 2016 – September 30, 2017.** The City Clerk read the title as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF APOPKA, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2016, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2017, PROVIDING FOR A BUDGET AMENDMENT.

Pam Barclay, Finance Director, said the Resolution is required to amend the FY 2017 Budget for carry forward appropriations, use of reserves, and additional grant funding awarded. The three exhibits to the resolutions reflect these amendments. She advised these have previously been approved by Council.

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MOTION by Commissioner Becker, and seconded by Commissioner Velazquez, to approve Resolution No. 2017-08. Motion carried unanimously with Mayor Kilsheimer, and Commissioners Dean, Velazquez, Becker, and Bankson voting aye.

CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

Cliff Shepard, City Attorney, said he gave a presentation on CRAs last week during a workshop and at the end of the presentation he expressed the dire situation that we were finding ourselves in with the legislature. He reported Suzanne Kidd wrote a very detailed letter and followed up with phone calls. He advised the bill has been substantially changed, however, the fight is not over. He thanked Ms. Kidd for her action.

Commissioner Dean asked that the bus stop at the entrance of Errol Estates be cleaned.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Kilsheimer reported the Fisher Plantation referendum for annexation was approved with 67 yes votes and 27 no votes.

Mr. Irby advised the Orange County garbage is collected on the non-ad valorem taxes and the residents are paid through the year. He said it is possible for the City to take over the accounts if the County is agreeable.

Mr. Irby advised there was a mandatory pre-bid conference on the Splash Pad. There were several companies that showed and asked several questions. At the time bids were due, none were received. He stated they reached out to all of the companies asking specific questions. The people that attended the pre-bid were people that represented contractors who routinely bid on splash pad jobs, but they are always in conjunction with an engineer. He reported he has an appointment with an engineer who has built three splash pads to discuss options.

Mayor Kilsheimer said he had put the meeting start time for the evening council meetings on the table for discussion a few meetings ago with the idea of starting the meetings at 6:00 p.m. versus 7:00 p.m. He proposed making this change and asked for input from Council.

Following discussion, it was the consensus to leave the second meeting of the month at 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Joseph E. Kilsheimer, Mayor

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Linda F. Goff, City Clerk