

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
April 28, 2010**

APPROVED BY  
May 12, 2010  
CITY COUNCIL

The City of Bradenton City Council met in regular session in the City Hall Council Chamber, 101 Old Main Street, Bradenton, Florida on April 28, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

**Present:** Councilman Ward I Gene Gallo; Councilwoman Ward II Marianne Barnebey; Councilman Ward III Patrick Roff; Councilman Ward IV Bemis Smith and Vice Mayor and Councilman Ward V Harold E. Byrd, Jr.

**City Officials:** Carl Callahan, City Clerk and Treasurer/Chief of Staff; Claude Tankersley, Public Works Director; William Lisch, City Attorney; Mark Souders, Fire Chief; Michael Radzilowski, Police Chief; Tim Polk, Department of Planning and Community Development Director, and Carolyn Moore, Human Resources Director.

**Press:** The Herald and The Bradenton Times.

Mayor Wayne Poston was excused from the meeting.  
Staci Cross, Information Technology Director was excused from the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd.  
Ecumenical invocation was led by Pastor Jim La Duke, Loving Hands Ministries.  
Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd.

PROCLAMATIONS

NATIONAL ARBOR DAY – APRIL 30, 2010

NATIONAL AMERICORPS WEEK – May 8-15, 2010

PRESENTATIONS

*Mr. Callahan administered the oath to any individuals who wished to speak on any non-agenda items.*

CITIZEN COMMENTS

No one came forward.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Minutes of April 14, 2010 City Council meeting.
- b) SWFWMD Contract Amendment - Reservoir Expansion.
- c) SWFWMD Contract Amendment - Wares Creek 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue West Bridge Replacement.
- d) **Resolution 10-24** – Reappointment of **Jeanne Nelson** to the Affordable Housing Advisory Board.
- e) **Resolution 10-25** - Appointment of **Vincent Foderingham** to the Central CRA.
- f) **Resolution 10-26** - Authorizing Mayor Poston to sign the Debris Management Services Agreement.
- g) Norma Lloyd Park Fencing – Expenditure of Park Impact Fee Funds.
- h) **Resolution 10-27** – Supporting the H.R. 4812, Local Jobs for America Act.

**MOTION TO REMOVE item h for discussion and approve items a-g was made by Councilman Roff, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and passed 5-0 for approval.**

Councilman Roff gave a brief overview of a trip he was planning next week to Washington, D.C. on behalf of and paid for by the Manasota League of Cities to lobby for a bill that would provide work for one billion people by directing \$75 billion toward the cause of maintaining and providing local jobs. \$52 billion would be directed to cities with populations of 50,000 or more.

Councilman Roff wished to get the city into a position to receive a portion of that available funding.

Discussion: Concern about where the funding was to come from was expressed.

**MOTION TO APPROVE item h – Resolution 10-27 was made by Councilman Roff, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and passed 3-2 for approval with Councilman Smith and Councilman Gallo in opposition.**

#### BUSINESS/ADVERTISING, PETITIONS, HEARINGS AND COMMUNICATIONS

None.

#### NEW BUSINESS BY DEPARTMENT HEADS, CITY ATTORNEY AND COUNCIL

Tim Polk

##### **RESOLUTION 10-22**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING MAYOR POSTON TO ENTER INTO AN INTERJURIDICTIONAL AGREEMENT WITH MANATEE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 10-22 was made by Councilman Roff, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and passed 5-0 for approval.**

##### **RESOLUTION 10-23**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING MAYOR POSTON TO ENTER INTO A DEVELOPER AGREEMENT WITH MANATEE COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 10-23 was made by Councilman Roff, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and passed 5-0 for approval.**

Chief Souders

#### **SHARED FACILITIES AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA AND MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA.**

Chief Souders gave an overview of the Shared Facilities Agreement which had been previously discussed and approved to lease Fire Station #3 to the county for use by a county EMS crew and ambulance. (see Minutes of January 27, 2010)

**MOTION TO APPROVE the Shared Facilities Agreement between the City of Bradenton and Manatee County was made by Councilman Gallo, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and passed 5-0 for approval.**

#### COUNCIL REPORTS

**Councilman Gene Gallo, Ward I:** Stated he had received positive comments on how well the DeSoto Parade had gone and asked Chief Radzilowski his opinion of the parade.

Chief Radzilowski stated he received no reports of any major problems. The barricades along the parade route worked very well and having the extra walkers with each float helped greatly.

Chief Radzilowski stated next year he and Manatee County Sheriff Brad Steube would be asking for a mutual aid agreement with the other police departments in Manatee County for parade assistance.

Councilman Gallo voiced his disagreement with the selection process that the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) used to select a firm for the extension of Riverwalk to Tarpon Point. Councilman Gallo stated it was vitally important to use firms within the city for various city projects. He stated firms in the city pay city taxes and they should have priority in the bid process.

Councilman Gallo stated the county adopted a resolution that ensures that special consideration be given to local firms in any bid process. He asked that the city consider adopting a similar resolution and asked City Attorney Bill Lisch to draft a resolution to bring it to the May 5, 2010 Council workshop.

The full Council was in agreement to support Councilman Gallo's request that Bill Lisch draft a resolution and bring it to the next workshop for discussion.

**Councilwoman Marianne Barnebey, Ward II:** Thanked all those who lobbied on behalf of public libraries and thanked Manatee County Commissioner John Chappie (in the audience) for his support and the support of the county for using state aid wisely for our local public libraries.

Councilwoman Barnebey stated that the senate and house had agreed to place a minimal amount of money in the state funds which were needed in order to qualify for federal funds.

Councilwoman Barnebey asked everyone to thank their legislature and Governor Crist for their support of the public library bill.

**Councilman Patrick Roff, Ward III:** Stated during his stay in Washington DC he would be working closely with lobbyists to request support on the following local issues:

1. The GIS Stormwater bill that would track runoff.
2. The AFIS Automated Fingerprint ID System.
3. Funding for the remainder of the \$950,000 to complete the United Community Center.

Councilman Roff complimented the police department for apprehending a ring of juvenile delinquents suspected in several burglaries in Ward III.

**Councilman Bemis Smith, Ward IV:** Voiced his opinion about the selection process that the DDA used to select the firm for the Riverwalk project. He stated that although he agreed with Councilman Gallo, he also felt it was important to find a balance regarding the overall cost and quality of a project versus hiring a firm just because the firm was within the city limits.

**Vice Mayor and Councilman Harold Byrd, Jr., Ward V:** Stated he supports Councilman Roff in his endeavors with the Manasota League of Cities to support local jobs.

Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd stated he supported hiring local businesses to help boost the local economy and that he would support making this a preference for all city projects.

Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd thanked the county and all the volunteers who had helped out during the last surge to encourage people to send in their questionnaires for the 2010 census.

Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd stated he would like to address the large number of vacant, foreclosed houses and suggested that something be done to help get youth involved during the summer to assist in getting those houses back into shape.

**Mayor Wayne Poston:** Excused absence due to the passing of his father-in-law.

The Council sent their condolences to the Poston family at this time of sorrow.

### DEPARTMENT HEADS

**Carl Callahan: REQUEST FOR TWO BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS** regarding federal grant programs: 1. The Shelter Plus Care Grant and 2. The Florida Home-Buyer Opportunity Program (FLHOP). He stated there were no changes in the programs.

No discussion followed.

**MOTION TO APPROVE** the request for two budget adjustments regarding two federal grant programs was made by Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd, seconded by Councilwoman Barnebey and passed 5-0 for approval.

**Chief Souders:** Nothing to report.

**Staci Cross:** Excused from the meeting.

**Chief Radzilowski:** Nothing to report.

**Claude Tankersley:** Announced that after interviewing 5 applicants, the Utility Manager position left vacant due to the retirement of Carl Taylor had been awarded by unanimous decision to Ken Stephens, the current superintendent of the Wastewater Plant.

**Tim Polk:** Stated he would bring forth at the next City Council workshop two items for discussion on raising building fees and development fees.

Mr. Polk stated he was reviewing the possibility of reconstructing the city's housing programs that handle rehabilitation and replacement of housing. He stated that many of the rehabs were costing approximately \$40,000. He stated it would need to be reviewed more closely for replacement. He stated this would affect Wards III, IV and V.

**Bill Lisch:** Nothing to report.

**Carolyn Moore:** Nothing to report.

### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Vice Mayor and Councilman Byrd adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

NOTE: This is not a verbatim record. An audio CD or DVD recording of the meeting is available for a fee upon request.