

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

April 22, 2009

The City of Bradenton City Council met in regular session in the City Hall Council Chamber, 101 Old Main Street, Bradenton, Florida on April 22, 2009 at 6:00 p.m.

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

City Officials: Carl Callahan, City Clerk and Treasurer; 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 Staci Cross, Information Technology Director.

Press: The Herald.

“MAYOR FOR THE DAY”- Sadie Montanus, Bradenton Christian School Sophomore.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Poston.

Ecumenical invocation was led by Councilman Byrd.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by “Mayor for the Day Sadie Montanus.”

Councilman Gene Gallo and Human Resources Director Carolyn Moore were excused from the meeting.

PROCLAMATIONS

NATIONAL ARBOR DAY PROCLAMATION – APRIL 24, 2009

PRESENTATIONS

Royal Sara-Mana Club Debutantes Recognition

Mayor Poston recognized debutantes **Starcee Brown**, daughter of city employee Mitch Brown and Brenda Quintance; and **Javisha Strong**, daughter of city employee Jimmy Strong and his wife Felicia .

Appreciation and recognition for Lewis Park Bridge Reconstruction

Councilwoman Barnebey thanked Eagle Scout **Tyler Shore**, for the reconstruction of the bridge in Lewis Park.

Mr. Callahan administered the oath to any individuals who wished to speak on any non-agenda items and during the public hearings.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Rocco Salvatori, Bradenton firefighter thanked the Public Works and Utilities Department for their prompt attention in fixing a broken main sewage pipe in front of his house.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a) City Council Minutes of April 8, 2009.
- b) Election Services Agreement.
- c) Resolution 09-30 CDBG Substantial Amendment.
- d) Resolution 09-31 Reappointing Jason Taylor to the Planning Commission.
- e) Forfeiture Fund – Undercover Drug Enforcement Techniques Training for two detectives cost \$2,100.

- f) COPS Hiring Recover Program Application.
- g) 09 Justice Assistance Grant Application.
- h) Safe Routes to School Grant Application.
- i) Mid-year budget adjustments.
- j) Four - FDOT American Recovery and Reinvestment Act Agreements Re: Sidewalks.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA WITH ITEMS A–J was made by Vice Mayor and Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Byrd and carried 4-0 for approval. Councilman Gallo was excused from the meeting.

BUSINESS/ADVERTISING, PETITIONS, HEARINGS AND COMMUNICATIONS

No business was requested.

NEW BUSINESS BY DEPARTMENT HEADS, CITY ATTORNEY AND COUNCIL

Carl Callahan

RESOLUTION 09-32

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, ESTABLISHING A "RED FLAG" POLICY FOR THE CITY OF BRADENTON, PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Callahan gave a brief overview of the request to approve a city policy effective May 1, 2009 establishing rules to adopt the Identify Theft Prevention Program.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 09-32 was made by Councilwoman Barnebey, seconded by Councilman Roff and carried 4-0 for approval, Councilman Gallo was excused from the meeting.

Tim Polk

GRANTS DIVISION UPDATE

Jeana Winterbottom gave a PowerPoint update of the following recent applications:

1. Neighborhood Stabilization Program
 - ~Foreclosed and abandoned properties
2. Florida Boating Improvement Program
 - ~Downtown Public Day-docking
3. Recreational Trails Program
 - ~Multi-use trail with pedestrian footbridge for Norma Lloyd Park
4. Department of Highway Safety Program
 - ~Driving under the influence initiatives
5. Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Program
 - ~School Resource Officer Job Retention
6. COPS Hiring Recovery Program
 - ~Sworn Officer Job Retention

Ms. Winterbottom gave a brief overview of requested funding amounts, the progress of grants awarded, and future projects.

Following the presentation questions and answers were discussed on various grants.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Councilman Gene Gallo, Ward I: Excused from the meeting.

Councilwoman Marianne Barnebey, Ward II: Attended the JROTC Military Ball where she was awarded a trophy for supporting the JROTC programs.

Councilwoman Barnebey stated Manatee Children's Services would be holding a fundraising event Friday, April 24th at Palma Sola Botanical Park.

Councilman Patrick Roff, Ward III: Reported Sherry Berry from Tropicana had met with CSX Railroad to work out the issue of train whistles in the early morning hours.

Councilman Roff attended a ceremony at Manatee High School for Earth Day.

Councilman Roff stated the Adopt-a-Shore Wares Creek Cleanup had been a success.

Vice Mayor and Councilman Bemis Smith, Ward IV: Stated Deputy Chief Tokajer was the President of the Manatee Children's Services Board and encouraged everyone to attend the event on Friday.

Councilman Harold Byrd, Jr., Ward V: Stated he had attended a Tourist Development Council (TDC) meeting at the beautifully renovated Pirates' City complex.

Councilman Byrd stated the Ward V community continues to meet to discuss and focus on the concerns of violent crimes. He stated there were focus groups to help the youth to obtain jobs for the summer.

Mayor Wayne Poston: Reminded everyone of this week's Hernando de Soto Heritage Festival festivities beginning with the Dignitaries Reception at the South Florida Museum on Thursday, April 23rd the De Soto Ball on Friday, April 24th, ending with the Grand Parade on Saturday, April 25th.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Carl Callahan: Stated the Wednesday, May 6th Council Workshop would be meeting at the Pirates' City complex at 8:30 a.m. then move into a budget workshop.

Chief Souders: Nothing to report.

Staci Cross: Nothing to report.

Chief Radzilowski: REQUEST TO DONATE FOUR (4) IN-CAR VIDEO'S THAT NO LONGER WORK TO THE POLICE ACADEMY.

Discussion: The academy would try to repair the systems.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST TO DONATE 4 IN-CAR VIDEO'S THAT NO LONGER WORK TO THE POLICE ACADEMY was made by Councilman Roff, seconded by Vice Mayor and Councilman Smith and carried 4-0 for approval, Councilman Gallo was excused from the meeting.

Councilwoman Barnebey announced the Riverview Neighborhood Association would meet on Thursday, April 30th at the Manatee River Garden Club.

Claude Tankersley: Gave a brief update of the FDOT Manatee Avenue project, Council had authorized him to hire design engineers for under \$25,000 and the project proposal had come in at \$23,600.

Mr. Tankersley stated after meeting with FDOT to discuss the 9th Avenue Wares Creek Bridge, they had proposed a schedule to design and create a bid package to be awarded by March, 2010 with construction beginning in June or July, 2010.

Tim Polk: Nothing to report.

Bill Lisch: Read the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, APPROVING HIGHWAY LIGHTING, MAINTENANCE AND COMPENSATION AGREEMENT CONTRACT NUMBER AM833 WITH THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) TO COMPENSATE THE CITY OF BRADENTON FOR MAINTAINING LIGHTS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Discussion: The red light fines collected would pay for itself as a survey of all traffic lights in the city had been done listing a significant increase of traffic lights.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 09-37 was made by Councilman Roff, seconded by Councilman Byrd and carried 4-0 for approval, Councilman Gallo was excused from the meeting.

Chief Radzilowski stated that the installation of red light photo runner systems would begin, and a ground breaking ceremony would be announced with plans to educate the public via an awareness program.

Mayor Poston stated that a legislative bill was currently being considered which would give the state part of the red light runner fines collected. He stated for a \$150 fine for running a red light, \$40 was going to the state, \$20 elsewhere, and \$90 going to the city with the city having to pay the vendor out of the \$90.

Carolyn Moore: Excused from the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Poston 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.