CITY OF BRADENTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
Feb. 27, 2013
6:00 P.M
MINUTES

The City of Bradenton City Council met in regular session in the City Hall Council Chamber, 101 Old Main Street, Bradenton, Florida, at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 27, 2013.

Present: Mayor Wayne Poston; Vice Mayor/Councilman Ward I Gene Gallo; Councilman Ward II Gene Brown; Councilman Ward IV Bemis Smith; Councilman Ward V Harold Byrd, Jr.; and **Mayor for the Day, Trenton Johnson** of Bradenton Christian School

City Officials: Carl Callahan, City Clerk & Treasurer/Chief of Staff; Michael Radzilowski, Police Chief; Dave Beauchamp, Public Works; William Lisch, City Attorney; Chuck Edwards, Fire Chief; and Tim Polk, Department of Planning & Community Development Director.

The ecumenical invocation was led by **Pastor Don Sturiano**, Kingdom Life Christian Church.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Mayor for the Day, Trenton Johnson,** 3rd grade, Bradenton Christian School.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Johnson.

Councilman Patrick Roff was excused as he was in Washington D.C. lobbying with the Florida League of Cities. Claude Tankersley, Public Works Director, was out with an excused absence.

PROCLAMATIONS: None.

PRESENTATIONS: "Embracing Our Differences" Art Display on Riverwalk

Michael Shelton, Executive Director, Coexistence, Inc., gave a PowerPoint presentation which explained the public art program which features art created by children from around the world and is displayed for children from area schools as well as for the general public. The art is carefully selected to represent those pieces which carry powerful messages about embracing differences and various social issues. This will be the first year that the display will be featured on the Bradenton Riverwalk and will be available for viewing throughout the month of April, 2013.

Carl Callahan administered the oath to anyone wishing to speak on any non-agenda items and during the public hearings.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Request from Police Department to use Forfeiture Funds for SWAT Team Equipment
B. Line Item Budget Adjustment for Police Department
C. Amendment and Supplement to Interlocal Agreement

MOTION TO APPROVE Consent Agenda Items A-C was made by Vice Mayor/Councilman Gallo, seconded by Councilman Byrd, and approved 4:0. (Councilman Roff was excused.)

BUSINESS/ADVERTISING, PETITIONS, HEARINGS AND COMMUNICATIONS – None.

NEW BUSINESS BY DEPARTMENT HEADS, CITY ATTORNEY, AND CITY COUNCIL – None.

BUSINESS BY APPOINTMENT - None scheduled.

COUNCIL REPORTS

Vice Mayor/Councilman Gene Gallo, Ward I: Nothing to report.

Councilman Gene Brown, Ward II: Thanked the department heads and board members who have been helping him get familiar with city business and activities.

Councilman Bemis Smith, Ward IV: Nothing to report.

Councilman Harold Byrd, Ward V: Nothing to report.

Mayor Wayne Poston: Mayor Poston presented a Certificate of Achievement and the Key to the City to Mayor for the Day, Trenton Johnson.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Carl Callahan: Mr. Callahan stated that word had been received that KABOOM Imagination Playground grants were once again available. Local partners had been sent out to see if there was any interest in attempting to obtain this grant money. United Community Centers had expressed interest in working with the City to obtain the matching grant which would supply indoor play equipment for UCC.

MOTION TO APPROVE WORKING WITH UNITED COMMUNITY CENTERS to apply for the KABOOM grant was made by Councilman Byrd, seconded by Vice Mayor/Councilman Gallo, and approved 4:0. (Councilman Roff was excused.)

Mr. Callahan then requested approval for the Pittsburgh Pirates to hold Pirate Fest on Saturday, March 9th, on 9th Street in front of McKechnie Field.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE REQUEST TO HOLD PIRATE FEST on Saturday, March 9th, at McKechnie Field, was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Brown, and approved 4:0. (Councilman Roff was excused.)

Lastly, Mr. Callahan expressed his thanks and appreciation to all the parties involved in getting McKechnie Field ready for the start of Spring Training.

Deputy Chief Ezell: Nothing to report.

Chief Radzilowski: Requested approval to donate two police vehicles slated for auction to the Police Academy instead.

MOTION TO APPROVE DONATION OF TWO POLICE VEHICLES TO THE POLICE ACADEMY was made by Vice Mayor/Councilman Gallo, seconded by Councilman Byrd, and approved 4:0. (Councilman Roff was excused.)

Dave Beauchamp: Nothing to report.

Tim Polk: Nothing to report.

Bill Lisch: Nothing to report.

There being no further business, Mayor Poston adjourned the meeting at 6:21 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.