

CITY OF BRADENTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 9, 2012
8:30 A.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 8:30.m. on Wednesday, May 9, 2012.

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

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

Councilman Ward III Patrick Roff was in Washington D.C. lobbying on behalf of the Florida League of Cities.

Ecumenical invocation was led by Pastor Tom Winter of Elwood Park Baptist Church.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Poston.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Poston.

PROCLAMATIONS:

Teen Pregnancy Prevention and Sexual Health Awareness Month – May 2012

The proclamation was accepted by Mary Ann Legler of Healthy Teens Coalition.

Code Enforcement Officers' Appreciation Week – June 4-8, 2012

The proclamation was accepted by Volker Reiss, Compliance Manager, and the Code Enforcement team composed of Victor Perez, Barbara Hogan, Cheryl Landers, Mark Runnals, and Kimberly Murphy.

PRESENTATIONS:

Representative Jim Boyd – Legislative Recap

Rep. Boyd gave an overview of the recent actions of the state legislature. As constitutionally mandated, the state budget had been balanced, even though they had initiated the process with a shortfall of \$2 billion. Some things had to be cut; however, the following things were accomplished:

- Manatee Technical Institute Assisted
- University of South Florida Campus Assisted
- Beach Re-Nourishment
- No New Taxes
- Less Regulations & Red Tape
- Retained Local Business Tax Licensing
- Automobile Insurance Reform
- House Bill 947 - Violent Felons With Firearms – Increase In Mandatory Sentencing
- Redistricting - Each House Must Have Approximately 156,000 Constituents

Mireya Eavey, Executive Director of CareerEdge – Community Planning Award

Mireya Eavey thanked Mayor and Council for their vision in helping to establish this monumental program which is getting national attention. It is a model for the entire state of Florida and which won an award from the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council. To date, \$8 million in wages has been realized through CareerEdge's efforts. In addition, Mireya has been invited to be part of the Clinton Initiative and will participate in workforce discussions.

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Manatee County Commissioner John Chappie took the opportunity to express his thanks for the decisive actions the City has taken to improve the downtown corridor, Ware's Creek, the Riverwalk, the Pink Palace, the Historic Courthouse, and more. He stated that the cooperative partnership between the City and County makes great things happen.

Manatee County Commissioner Michael Galen, speaking as a private citizen, thanked the staff of the Utility Billing Department for their professionalism and helpfulness in a billing situation he had recently experienced. He specifically thanked Customer Service Representatives Pat Schilling and Regina Carswell. He also extended his appreciation to Chief Radzilowski and the Bradenton Police Department for the excellent service they have provided in his neighborhood.

Carl Callahan

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Minutes from April 11 Council meeting
- B. Department of Corrections Work Squad Contract
- C. Request from South Florida Museum to close parking spaces on the east side of 10th Street West for Snooty's Birthday Celebration on July 21st.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A - C was made by Councilwoman Barnebey, seconded by Councilman Byrd, and approved 4:0. *(Councilman Roff was excused.)*

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

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

Carl Callahan, City Clerk & Treasurer

Resolution 12-22

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BRADENTON, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF ITS REFUNDING REVENUE BOND, SERIES 2012 IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF NOT TO EXCEED \$1,975,000 TO REFUND AN OUTSTANDING LOAN, AS MORE FULLY DESCRIBED HEREIN; AUTHORIZING THE PRIVATE NEGOTIATED SALE OF THE SERIES 2012 BOND TO BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY PURSUANT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF A LOAN AGREEMENT WITH THE FLORIDA MUNICIPAL LOAN COUNCIL AND BRANCH BANKING AND TRUST COMPANY; APPROVING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF SAID LOAN AGREEMENT; MAKING SUCH DETERMINATIONS AS ARE REQUIRED TO AFFORD THE SERIES 2012 BOND "BANK QUALIFIED" STATUS; PROVIDING CERTAIN OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE ISSUANCE OF THE SERIES 2012 BOND; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mr. Callahan said this action will save the City \$20,000-\$25,000 per year over the next 10 years.

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 12-22 and authorize the mayor to execute the agreement was made by Councilman Gallo, seconded by Councilman Byrd, and approved 4:0. *(Councilman Roff was excused.)*

BUSINESS BY APPOINTMENT - None scheduled.

COUNCIL REPORTS

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

Councilwoman Marianne Barnebey, Ward II: Councilwoman Barnebey announced that there will be a tea held by Community Haven which supports camps for children and encouraged all to contact them for further information. She also stated that she will be participating in a fashion show and dinner on May 19th at Ward African Methodist Episcopal Church (AME) to raise funds for the church's summer youth program. Finally, she also urged everyone to come out on May 21st for a community meeting at the Central Library at 6:30 p.m. to discuss future library planning.

Councilman Bemis Smith, Ward IV: Nothing to report.

Councilman Harold Byrd, Ward V: Nothing to report.

Mayor Wayne Poston: Offered kudos to Chief Radzilowski and the Bradenton Police Department for their good work in making numerous arrests in a case involving food stamp fraud.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Carl Callahan: Stated that the Police Actuary Report had just been received and would be discussed at the next City Council meeting to go over details about the pension plan.

Chief Edwards: Nothing to report.

Chief Radzilowski: Nothing to report.

Claude Tankersley: Announced that there will be various brief road closures in the area due to the Ware's Creek project and utility relocation. Of longer duration will be the 9th Avenue bridge replacement project anticipated to run from June through November.

Tim Polk: Nothing to report.

Bill Lisch: Nothing to report.

There being no further business, Mayor Poston adjourned the meeting at 9:21 a.m.

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