

CITY OF BRADENTON
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 25, 2012
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, April 25, 2012.

Present: Vice Mayor/Councilman Ward I Gene Gallo; Councilwoman Ward II Marianne Barnebey; Councilman Ward III Patrick Roff; 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.

Ecumenical invocation was led by Shirley Baucom of CareNet Manasota.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Poston.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Poston.

PROCLAMATIONS: National Arbor Day – April 27

Linda Perez, Chairman of the Tree and Land Preservation Board, **Bill Swan**, landscaper/architect of the Manatee County Tree Canopy Program Coordinator, accepted the proclamation and announced that six trees would be planted on Arbor Day, April 27, at 1825 First Street as a kick-off of the Manatee Avenue re-canopy program.

Ingrid McClellan, Keep Manatee Beautiful, and **Dennis Perry**, City of Bradenton employee and creator of the idea, announced the Tree City USA mural which would be started on May 18th and encompass 400 square feet of wall area in City Hall to accommodate photos/plaques of notable trees. The mural was being done by a local mural artist, Faith Bradburn Keller, and funded by the Florida Forest Service.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE CREATION OF THE MURAL was made by Councilman Roff, seconded by Vice Mayor/Councilman Gallo, and approved 5:0.

PRESENTATIONS: None scheduled.

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Dino Provenza, 806 Buttonwood Drive, expressed his enthusiasm about the Riverwalk redevelopment project as a perfect sight for food vending kiosks and urged Council to consider establishment of specific areas for such facilities.

Carl Callahan

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Minutes from March 14 Council meeting
- B. Minutes from March 28 Council meeting
- C. Resolution 12-20 Appointing J.J. Lewis to the Police Pension Board
- D. Approval of Resolution 12-21 approving the post-project maintenance agreement between City and FDOT and authorizing the Mayor to sign the resolution and agreement

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS A - D was made by Councilwoman Barnebey, seconded by Councilman Smith, and approved 5:0.

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

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

Police Chief Michael Radzilowski

2012 Justice Assistance Grant Proposed Plan – PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing was opened to those in favor. None came forward.

The Public Hearing was opened to those opposed. None came forward. The Public Hearing was closed.

MOTION TO APPROVE THE 2012 JUSTICE ASSISTANCE GRANT PROPOSED PLAN was made by Vice Mayor/Councilman Gallo, seconded by Councilman Byrd, and approved 5:0.

BUSINESS BY APPOINTMENT - None scheduled.

COUNCIL REPORTS

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

Councilwoman Marianne Barnebey, Ward II: Encouraged everyone to come out to the Hernando de Soto Historical Society's Grand Parade on Saturday, April 28th.

Councilman Patrick Roff, Ward III: Said that he will be out for the next schedule Council meeting as he will be in Washington D.C. lobbying as a member of the Florida League of Cities primarily to urge retention of CDBG and highway funds. Expenses have been covered by the Manasota League.

Councilman Bemis Smith, Ward IV: Nothing to report.

Councilman Harold Byrd, Ward V: Nothing to report.

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Mayor Wayne Poston: Announced that RibFest had been a great event, and a good time had been had by all while also raising funds for the youth center.

Carl Callahan: Thanked everyone for taking the extra time to listen to the presentations given by the three contractor candidates for the McKechine Field Renovation Project. He also updated everyone that MUNIS is well on its way and will be gradually introduced into various departments.

Chief Edwards: Nothing to report.

Chief Radzilowski: Nothing to report.

Claude Tankersley: Nothing to report.

Tim Polk: Thanked Manatee County for passing the Tree Canopy Program and Courthouse Square Landscaping Program yesterday. As soon as an interlocal agreement is prepared, the County will also be partners with the City in the landscaping of the new Manatee Players Theatre. Mr. Polk also stated that he had received notification from the Congress of New Urbanism that the City of Bradenton had received the 2012 Richard H. Driehaus Charitable Lead Trust Form-Based Codes Award. Bradenton was one of only two cities in the country which had been awarded this honor. Mr. Polk will receive the award on May 11th at a ceremony in West Palm Beach. Mr. Polk also thanked the mayor and Council for their support of the FBC and for the public art program which will soon lead to the creation of a mural on the wall of the new bus transit station as it is nearing completion.

Bill Lisch: Informed everyone that the State of Florida had recently made a change to allow municipalities to submit their own traffic crash reports directly to the contracted company which the state sends them to and collect payment from the company directly. Formerly, the state would sell the reports to the company.

MOTION TO APPROVE SENDING TRAFFIC CRASH REPORTS TO DIRECTLY TO THE STATE'S CONTRACTED COMPANY was made by Councilman Smith, seconded by Councilman Roff, and approved 5:0.

There being no further business, Mayor Poston adjourned the meeting at 6:27 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.