

CITY OF ATLANTIS  
260 ORANGE TREE DRIVE  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
Wednesday, December 16, 2009

Mayor Manny Fernandez called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Present: Mayor Manny Fernandez, Vice Mayor Fred Furtado, Mayor Pro Tem David Kintz, Councilmember Michael C. Dahlgren, Councilmember Catherine Higgins, City Manager Mo Thornton, City Attorney Trela White, Utilities Director Steve Mazuk, Police Chief Robert G. Mangold, and City Clerk Jude M. Cochran.

Vice Mayor Fred Furtado made a motion to approve the minutes from the City Council Meeting on November 18, 2009. Councilmember David Kintz seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney Trela White read by title only the second and final reading of Ordinance 410, an ordinance amending Chapter 4, providing for regulation of paint colors. Councilmember Michael Dahlgren made a motion to approve the ordinance. Vice Mayor Fred Furtado seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney Trela White read by title only the second and final reading of Ordinance 411, an ordinance amending Chapter 15, providing for a permit when painting. Councilmember David Kintz made a motion to approve the ordinance. Councilmember Michael Dahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney Trela White read by title only Resolution 09-37, a resolution adopting a fee schedule to provide for landscaping, painting and mailbox permit fees. Councilmember David Kintz made a motion to accept the resolution. Councilmember Michael Dahlgren seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney Trela White read by title only Resolution 09-38, a resolution authorizing the mayor to sign an agreement with the Supervisor of Election for Municipal Elections. Councilmember Catherine Higgins made a motion to accept the resolution. Councilmember David Kintz seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney Trela White read by title only Resolution 09-39, a resolution naming the park at 101 North Country Club Boulevard, Sunset Park. Councilmember Michael Dahlgren made a motion to accept the resolution. Councilmember David Kintz seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney Trela White read by title only Resolution 09-40, a resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an Engagement Letter for legal representation. Attorney White explained to Councilmembers that this engagement letter is regarding the Lake Worth Utilities issues and Atlantis will be joining 5 other cities who have already signed the letter for representation. Councilmember Michael Dahlgren made a motion to accept the resolution. Councilmember David Kintz seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

In Miscellaneous Business, Councilmember Catherine Higgins made a motion to appoint Michael Dahlgren as the regular member to the Issues Forum and Fred Furtado as an alternate. Councilmember David Kintz seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Fernandez asked for comments from the public: Mr. Craig Mitchell commented 261 North Country Club Drive commented that the home at 308 Fairway Court is parking a commercial vehicle

in the drive each night and they have a dead tree in their yard. Chief Mangold will look in to this matter.

City Manager Mo Thornton gave reported on the League of Cities report. She informed Councilmembers that the half cent tax that was levied in 2005 will expire in 2010. Applications for the William Cruickshank Scholarships are available from the League of Cities. The city audit is almost done and will be presented in January. The bid for the tennis courts will be going out before the holiday and will be on the January Agenda. There will be a Pension Board meeting on December 21, 2009. Our Golf Cart Parade was a huge success this year, we served 950 meals and had 35 Carts participate. Congress Avenue widening project is going to bid in March of 2010. City Manager Thornton reminded everyone of the Home Decorating Contest on Sunday, December 20, 2009.

Chief Robert Mangold gave the police activity report for the month of November.

City Attorney Trela White gave a report on the County's new Ethics Ordinance.

Councilmember Catherine Higgins said she was going to ask about the tennis courts, but her question was already answered. She did ask if the city was sending out code enforcement letters about landscaping. She has received many positive comments about the lights on the homes in the city. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy and Safe Holidays. Vice Mayor Fred Furtado said that he received many accolades on the Golf Cart Parade. He thought the parade was a great function and only had one comment for next year; he thinks a police officer should be present at the snow pile to ensure the safety of the smaller children. Councilmember Michael C. Dahlgren thanked everyone for their hard work on the Golf Cart Parade. Councilmember Dahlgren commented on the work being done by Bellsouth on JFK Drive and that he would like to make sure they clean up the landscaping if they haven't already. He commented on the tax money starting to come in. On the expense side of the budget some departments, like the police department seem higher and that's because of the longevity pay that was paid out. Mr. Dahlgren also said he was glad that something was being done about the Lake Worth Sewer issue. Mayor Pro tem David Kintz thanked Mo Thornton, Steve Mazuk and Chief Mangold for their hard work on the Golf Cart Parade. Mr. Kintz wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. Mayor Fernandez said he felt staff did a phenomenal job with the Golf Cart Parade. Mayor Fernandez spoke about the Government's proposed Health Care Plan and how it would affect citizen's and doctors. Mayor Fernandez encouraged all residents to contact their Congressmen about the issue.

The Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

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Jude M. Cochran, City Clerk

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Mayor Manny Fernandez

Note: A mechanical recording has been made of the foregoing procedures of which these minutes are a part, and is on files in the office of the City Clerk