



JANUARY 4, 2011
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
(CNMB-CC MINUTES TAPE #461)

1. ROLL CALL OF THE CITY OFFICIALS

The meeting was called to order at 7:42 p.m. Present at the meeting were Vice Mayor Barbara Kramer, and Council Members Philippe Derose, McKenzie Fleurimond, Phyllis S. Smith, and Councilwoman Beth E. Spiegel. Also present were Acting City Manager Roslyn Weisblum, City Attorney Darcee S. Siegel, and Interim City Clerk Joanne M. Callahan. Mayor Myron Rosner and Councilman Frantz Pierre were not in attendance.

2. INVOCATION

Rabbi Avrohom Anton, Samuel Scheck Hillel Community Day School, led the invocation.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Rosner led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. REQUESTS FOR WITHDRAWALS, DEFERMENTS AND ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Interim City Clerk Callahan reported various corrections to the minutes as presented by Council Members prior to the meeting and at the meeting. Councilwoman Spiegel and Councilwoman Smith requested to come back to the minutes because there was a vote in question.

5. PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS

- 5.1** Certificate of Appreciation to Jimmy Moise, Le P'Ti Club, for Participation in the 2010 Snow Fest/Street Parade - Councilman McKenzie Fleurimond
- 5.2** October 2010 Employee of the Month to Jimmie Davis, Sr. Construction Manager, Public Works Division - Presented by Councilman Frantz Pierre

6. APPOINTMENTS

- 6.1** Councilwoman Beth E. Spiegel as Liaison to the Commission on the Status of Women

Motion made by Councilman Derose, seconded by Councilman Fleurimond, to appoint Councilwoman Beth E. Spiegel as Liaison to the Commission on the Status of Women. By consensus, all voted in favor of the motion. **(Motion carried 5-0).**

6.2 Councilman McKenzie Fleurimond as Liaison to the Police & Fire Pension Board and to the Multi-Cultural Committee

Motion made by Councilman Derose, seconded by Councilwoman Smith, to appoint Councilman McKenzie Fleurimond as Liaison to the Police & Fire Pension Board and to the Multi-Cultural Committee. By consensus, all voted in favor of the motion. (**Motion carried 5-0**).

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- 7.1 September 7, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 7.2 September 13, 2010 Special Meeting Minutes
- 7.3 September 14, 2010 Special Meeting Minutes
- 7.4 September 14, 2010 Budget Meeting Minutes
- 7.5 September 21, 2010 Special Meeting Minutes
- 7.6 September 28, 2010 Special Meeting Minutes
- 7.7 September 28, 2010 Budget Meeting Minutes
- 7.8 September 28, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 7.9 October 5, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 7.10 October 19, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 7.11 November 2, 2010 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 7.12 November 16 Regular Meeting Minutes
- 7.13 **Resolution No. R2011-1**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S SOUTH FLORIDA FEC RAILWAY CORRIDOR PROJECT (FROM JUPITER TO MIAMI) AND ITS AFFILIATED REGIONAL AND COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AGENCIES; ACKNOWLEDGING POTENTIAL STATION LOCATIONS; AND ACKNOWLEDGING THE CITY'S COMMITMENT TO THE PROJECT TO ENHANCE MOBILITY IN THE SOUTHEAST FLORIDA REGION.

7.14 Resolution No. R2011-2

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH, FLORIDA, ANNUALLY RECOGNIZING A LOCAL VETERAN FOR HIS OR HER DEDICATED SERVICES AND COMMITMENT TO OUR NATION AND TO THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI BEACH EACH YEAR AT BOTH THE CITY'S MEMORIAL DAY AND VETERANS DAY CEREMONIES.

Motion made by Councilman Derose, seconded by Councilwoman Smith, to approve the Consent Agenda with the amended minutes as noted. By consensus, all voted in favor of the motion. **(Motion carried 5-0).**

8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Acting City Manager Weisblum wished everybody a Happy and Healthy New Year and thanked the employees for all of the dedication and hard work. She introduced the City's new Code Manager Eric Wardle. He spoke of the importance of educating the Public. Councilwoman Smith asked him to use Channel 77 and make it a priority of getting the word out. Councilwoman Spiegel inquired as to when the City would receive the Census results. Acting City Manager Weisblum reported in the month of February.

9. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Siegel reported that Procurement was in the process of going out for bid on a new Red Light Camera system with possible new locations. She also reported that managers who were not a part of the collective bargaining could waive the current plan and agree to go into a Tier 2. She noted that she had distributed copies to the Council regarding the legal opinion on the salary issue. City Attorney Siegel wished her son, Alex, a Happy 21st Birthday and a Happy and Healthy New Year to all.

9.1 Litigation List - *No Discussion*

10. MAYOR'S DISCUSSION – *None*

11. PUBLIC COMMENT

Interim City Clerk Callahan read the rules for Public Comment.

Bert Kehren, 3302 NE 171 Street, North Miami Beach, FL, spoke about violations of the Charter relating to micromanaging. He stated positive and negative comments about the Council Members and his confidence in Acting City Manager Weisblum. He also spoke about the meeting for the City Clerk selection.

Rolland Veilleux, 13730 Highland Drive, North Miami Beach, FL, spoke negatively about the City administration gave examples of the recent issues of funds lost. He also spoke about the raising of taxes and increasing the water rates and cutting services.

Robert Taylor, 1951 NE 157 Terrace, North Miami Beach, FL, thanked the City for the holiday decorations and Mayor Rosner for his holiday message on the benches. He spoke positively about the employees. Mr. Taylor also reported homeless people putting up tents on the east side of West Dixie Highway, on the north side of the bridge. He also reported that NMB Retired Lt. Al Sturtz was in the hospital.

Charles Loeb, 16800 NE 15 Avenue #112, North Miami Beach, FL, spoke about opening the Library on Tuesday and Thursday evenings and his opposition to R2011-1. He also spoke about public transit improvements and the state transit conference.

Yona Lunger, Vice President, NMB Chamber of Commerce, 1870 NE 171 Street, North Miami Beach, FL, spoke about an overwhelming amount of break-ins in his neighborhood. He explained that

his own patrolling led to the arrest of 3 kids who were ringing doorbells as a distraction and breaking into homes. He commended the Police Department and Miami-Dade County Police for its quick response and recognized several individual officers for their efforts.

Melissa Raspberry, a victim of a burglary in North Miami Beach, commended the police officers and staff for their professionalism and response to the break-in.

Richard Riess, 23 NW 169 Street, North Miami Beach, FL, spoke about the list of employees that received raises and the lack of response to the Budget regarding cuts. He also spoke negatively about Snow Fest.

Bruce Lamberto, 3420 NE 165 Street, North Miami Beach, FL, thanked the City for the holiday decorations. He noted no budget workshop yet, that pension reform was underway. Mr. Lamberto suggested a Citizens Budget Advisory Board and urged the Council to think before handing out money.

12. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

13. WAIVER OF FEE – *None*

14. BUSINESS TAX RECEIPTS – *None*

15. LEGISLATION – *None*

16. CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councilwoman Spiegel announced the following: City Clerk Interviews tomorrow; Pension Workshop Thursday; January 10th Planning and Zoning Meeting at 6:00 p.m. and Commission on the Status of Women; January 20th Energy Performance Contract Workshop; and January 26th Quarterly Budget Report and Financial Systems Workshop. She thanked the Residents who contact, inform and educate the Council. She wished everyone Happy and Healthy New Year.

Councilwoman Smith a Happy and Healthy and a good 2011. She wished NMB Retired Lt. Al Sturtz a successful surgery. Councilwoman Smith also thanked Former Councilman Jules Littman, of Stop Hunger, who had donated 300 blankets. She spoke about pension reform and accountability. She thanked the Public for the criticism, good and bad, and spoke about the City Manager position and salary. She hoped 2011 would be a better year for everyone and North Miami Beach. Councilwoman Smith reminded everyone about the Economic Development meeting on the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Councilman Fleurimond thanked the Residents for attending the meeting. He directed Staff to speak with Residents who came to the meeting about their water bill. He spoke again about giving direction to Staff regarding an approval for the Gun Mount on 19th Avenue as a historic site, so the City can acquire state funding for the refurbishment. He spoke of volunteers needed for the Multi-Cultural Committee meetings and the Redevelopment Advisory Board. He announced that El Nuevo Herald and WPVT were hosting a screening of a documentary called Nou Bouke on Haiti's Past, Present and Future and the Earthquake that occurred on January 10, 2010. The event was taking place on Tuesday, January 11th at 6:30 p.m. at the Little Haiti Cultural Arts Center. WPVT will also be showing the documentary on January 13th at 8:00 p.m. on Channel 2 with a live question and answer session with local experts and the director. Councilman Fleurimond thanked the Resident and employees for their

assistance and noted that his door was always open. He added a Happy New Year to all.

Councilman Derose reported that that Staff was in the process now of receiving a bid for the Gun Mount renovations, per the Beautiful Committee. He gave prayers to NMB Retired Lt. Al Sturtz and wished everyone a Happy New Year. Councilman Derose spoke about his wish to continue to respect others; to work side by side with his colleagues and Staff on the budget; to reducing spending and taxes; and to continue to apply for federal funding for projects to improve the quality of life in North Miami Beach.

Councilwoman Kramer wished a speedy recovery to NMB Retired Lt. Al Sturtz and congratulated City Attorney Siegel for being listed a top government lawyer for 2011. She wished City Attorney Siegel's son, her own mother-in-law and Ms. Rasberry's mother all a Happy Birthday. Councilwoman Kramer welcomed the City's new code enforcement director and looked forward to him bringing the City to its beautiful best. She said she looked forward to 2011 with our City moving to a positive place. She wished everyone a Happy and Healthy prosperous New Year.

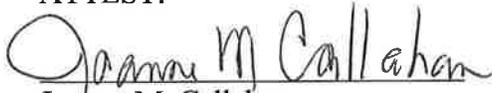
Chief Rafael Hernandez spoke of NMB Retired Lt. Al Sturtz's triple bypass surgery.

17. NEXT REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING -- Tuesday, January 18, 2011

18. ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m. on a motion made by Councilman Derose and seconded by Councilwoman Smith. By consensus, all voted in favor. **(Motion carried 5-0).**

ATTEST:

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Joanne M. Callahan
Interim City Clerk