

1 **City of Minneola**  
2 **Council Meeting**  
3 **Minneola City Hall**  
4

**June 15, 2010**  
**6:30 P.M.**

5 The City of Minneola Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Pat Kelley. Present  
6 were: Councilman Rick Roderick, Councilman Victor Ortega, Vice Mayor Kelly Price,  
7 Councilman Joseph Saunders, Scott Gerken (City Attorney), and Jan McDaniel (City  
8 Clerk/ Acting City Manager).  
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10 A moment of silence was observed and the Pledge of Allegiance was lead by Vice Mayor  
11 Price.  
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13 **AGENDA REVIEW**  
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15 **Rick Roderick** requested Resolution 2010-07 be moved to the front of the agenda.  
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17 *Council agreed.*  
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19 **Victor Ortega** requested the City Manager Candidate discussion be moved  
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21 *Council denied the request.*  
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23 **AUDIENCE TO BE HEARD**  
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25 **Sue Cordova (Minneola resident)** suggested the Council consider looking at a current  
26 employee for the City Manager position, and urged the Council to raise the millage rate  
27 to ensure public safety coverage.  
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29 **Gary Tolley (Minneola resident)** agreed the millage rate should be raised.  
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31 **Gregg Christoff (Clermont resident; Minneola property owner)** stated he would only be  
32 in favor of a millage increase if his commercial property increased in value.  
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34 **David Yeager (Minneola resident)** agreed the millage rate should be increased to  
35 maintain the City and urged the Council to move forward with picking one of the recently  
36 interviewed candidates.  
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38 **Jim Frana (Minneola resident)** complained about the recently installed posts and cable  
39 that were installed to deter parking on the grass at the MAC.  
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41 **Council comments:**  
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43 **Rick Roderick** thanked Ms. Cordova for her opinion and stated he was ready to select  
44 one of the three candidates. He also replied to Mr. Frana by stating that the City will  
45 need funding to improve the MAC, and advised that he was working on obtaining  
46 funding for those improvements.  
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48 **Victor Ortega** thanked everyone for their comments.

1 **Kelly Price** also thanked the audience for their comments.

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3 **Joe Saunders** asked everyone to take into consideration the 31% drop in revenues in the  
4 last two years when considering the millage rate. He also stated no one from within City  
5 staff had applied for the City Manager position and urged the Council to move forward  
6 with approving a candidate from the recent interviews.

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8 **Mayor Kelley** thanked everyone for their comments and stated a budget workshop would  
9 be scheduled in the near future.

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11 **TAB 6 RESOLUTION 2010-07 SEU US Hwy. 27 Quasi-Judicial Hearing at 7:08**  
12 **p.m.** (moved up on the agenda at agenda review)

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14 **TAB 1 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

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16 **MOTION by Rick Roderick, SECONDED by Kelly Price to approve the minutes of**  
17 **June 1, 2010.**

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19 **AYE:** Roderick, Ortega, Kelley, Price, Saunders

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21 **NAY:** None

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23 **MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

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25 **TAB 2 CITY MANAGER CANDIDATE INTERVIEWS**

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27 **Rick Roderick** stated two of the candidates stood out for him, but after careful  
28 consideration he would support Mark Johnson.

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30 **MOTION by Rick Roderick, SECONDED by Kelly Price to nominate Mark**  
31 **Johnson pending contract approval.**

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33 **Victor Ortega** expressed his support for Mr. Arndt.

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35 **Kelly Price** expressed her support for Mr. Johnson.

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37 **Joe Saunders** stated he believed Mr. Johnson would be the best fit for Minneola and  
38 encouraged the Council to offer the position to Mr. Johnson.

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40 **Mayor Kelley** explained he would support whomever Council determined to be the new  
41 City Manager, but expressed interest in Mr. Arndt.

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43 **AYE:** Roderick, Price, Saunders

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45 **NAY:** Ortega, Kelley

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47 **MOTION PASSED: 3-2**

1 **TAB 3 LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT**

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3 Jan McDaniel requested Council appoint Mrs. Stephanie Gardner as the alternate for the  
4 Lake County Library Board.

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6 **MOTION by Rick Roderick, SECONDED by Kelly Price to appoint Mrs. Stephanie**  
7 **Gardner as the alternate for the Lake County Library Board.**

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9 **AYE:** Roderick, Ortega, Kelley, Price, Saunders

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11 **NAY:** None

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13 **MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

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15 **TAB 4 FLORIDA LEAGUE OF CITIES COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT**

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17 **Jan McDaniel** stated Mr. Roderick had volunteered to serve on the Florida League of  
18 Cities Policy Committee.

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20 **MOTION by Joe Saunders, SECONDED by Kelly Price to appoint Mr. Roderick to**  
21 **the Florida League of Cities Policy Committee.**

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23 **AYE:** Roderick, Ortega, Kelley, Price, Saunders

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25 **NAY:** None

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27 **MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

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29 A brief recess was called at 7:55 p.m.; the meeting reconvened at 8:04 p.m.

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31 **TAB 5 RESOLUTION 2010-06 CUP – 210 E. Washington Quasi-Judicial Hearing**  
32 **@ 8:10 p.m.**

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34 **TAB 6 RESOLUTION 2010-07 SEU – US Hwy 27 Quasi-Judicial Hearing @ 8:12**  
35 **p.m.**

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37 **TAB 8 TRADEMORE MINOR SUBDIVISION Quasi- Judicial Hearing @ 8:16**  
38 **p.m.**

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40 **TAB 9 RESOLUTION 2010-10 ISBA Response**

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42 **Scott Gerken** read Resolution 2010-10 by title only and explained that in the recent  
43 ISBA requests Clermont had not been included and this resolution would recognize  
44 Clermont as a participant.

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46 **MOTION by Kelly Price, SECONDED by Victor Ortega to approve Resolution**  
47 **2010-10 Interlocal Service Boundary Response.**

1 **AYE:** Roderick, Ortega, Kelley, Price, Saunders

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3 **NAY:** None

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5 **MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

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7 **REPORTS**

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9 **Jan McDaniel** explained her report (Exhibit A) as:

- 10 • City Facebook page was in the works to social network the City of Minneola  
11 • She and other consultants would be attending a meeting next week in Palatka to  
12 discuss the City's Consumptive Use Permit renewal.  
13 • US 27 project was moving forward  
14 • Asked for Council direction on the US 27 Hwy 27 Landscaping FDOT Grant.  
15 *Council determined to get bids for the project.*

16 **Tim Green** explained the plants were all Florida native with not many trees and the  
17 design is a low water use design. He cautioned the Council of the mowing the City  
18 would be responsible to maintain forever.

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20 **Scott Gerken** clarified that language stating that the City reserved the right to reject all  
21 bids, would be included in the bid documents.

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23 **Jan McDaniel** continued with her report:

- 24 • Stated the Minneola Alliance Church would be holding a block party in  
25 Ridgecrest Loop.  
26 • Informed Council that Minneola residents needed to apply for the Minneola COP  
27 program.

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29 **Council Comments:**

30 **Victor Ortega** asked Ms. McDaniel to send him an email regarding the Citizen's on  
31 Patrol program application and stated his intention was not to micromanage staff.

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33 **Rick Roderick** asked if everything was on track in the utility billing department. *Ms.*  
34 *McDaniel replied that everything was fine.*

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36 **Joe Saunders** asked for an update on the fire department room addition. Ms. McDaniel  
37 replied the footers had been poured and the work was moving forward but did not have a  
38 confirmed competition date.

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40 **Mayor Kelley** asked for information regarding the City Manager's contract. *Ms*  
41 *McDaniel stated the salary would be \$80,000.00 and that there are no "extras" such as*  
42 *moving expenses, extra insurance, etc. She explained a contract was being drafted, and*  
43 *with the City Attorney's ok, the document would be sent to Mr. Johnson for his signature.*

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45 **Council determined the length of the City Manager's contract would be two years.**

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47 **Scott Gerken** explained the contract should be on the July 6<sup>th</sup> agenda.

1 **COUNCIL REPORTS:**

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3 **Rick Roderick** stated the library was having very successful special sessions and noted  
4 that the improvements at the library were continuing on schedule. He urged the Council  
5 to continue to support the Minneola Schoolhouse Library.

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7 **Victor Ortega** requested a list of city owned property addresses.

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9 **Kelly Price** had no report.

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11 **Joe Saunders** had no report.

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13 **Mayor Kelley** thanked the staff for following up with Mooney Motorsports.

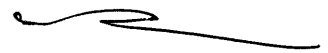
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15 **MOTION by Victor Ortega, SECONDED by Rick Roderick to adjourn.**

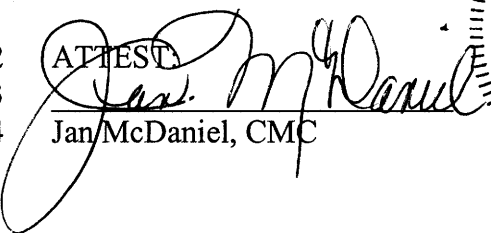
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17 **AYE:** Roderick, Ortega, Kelley, Price, Saunders

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19 **NAY:** None

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21 **MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

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23 *The meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.*

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Mayor Pat Kelley

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Jan McDaniel, CMC

