

**Minneola City Council  
Meeting Minutes  
Minneola City Hall  
November 15, 2022 at 6:30 PM**

The City of Minneola City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Pat Kelley. Also present were Vice Mayor Serviss, Councilor Debbie Flinn, Councilor Erick Hernandez (sworn into office during the meeting), Councilor Joe Saunders, Scott Gerken (City Attorney), Mark Johnson (City Manager), and Kristine Thompson (City Clerk).

**CALL TO ORDER**

**Mayor Kelley** called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

A moment of silence was observed, and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by **Vice Mayor Serviss**.

**AGENDA REVIEW**

**Scott Gerken** asked Council to consider tabling Item 8: Resolution 2022-20 until the December 6 City Council meeting in order to allow time for additional advertising.

**MOTION by Councilor Saunders, SECONDED by Councilor Flinn to table Item 8: Resolution 2022-20 – 201 W. Washington Street – Public Nuisance and Abatement to the 12/6 Council meeting.**

**AYE:** Serviss, Flinn, Kelley, Saunders

**NAY:** None

**MOTION PASSED: 4-0**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**PROCLAMATION**

**Mayor Kelley** read a proclamation honoring Councilor Kelly Price after her recent retirement.

**ELECTION RESULTS**

**Kristine Thompson**, City Clerk, read the 2022 election results from the Supervisor of Elections Office website which indicated Erick Hernandez was elected to Minneola City Council Seat 4. Debbie Flinn was unopposed and was reelected to Minneola City Council Seat 2.

**Council Seat 2:**

Debbie Flinn – Unopposed

**Council Seat 4:**

Paul F. Giacalone – 1,554 votes

Erick Joel Hernandez – 2,482 votes

**Scott Gerken** swore in Debbie Flinn to Seat 2 and Erick Joel Hernandez to Seat 4.**CITY MANAGER'S CONSENT AGENDA****Item 1: City Council Meeting Minutes – November 1, 2022****Item 2: Purchase Request – Fixed Equipment for New Fire Station****Item 3: Purchase Request – Fixed Furnishings for the New Fire Station****Item 4: Purchase Request – Purchase Request – Contract Extension with Government Services Group, Inc. (G.S.G.) for Fire Services Assessment Program Maintenance****Item 5: Surplus Equipment & Donation of Fire Department Equipment****Item 6: Purchase Request – Kimley-Horn Engineer Services for School Zone Reviews****MOTION by Councilor Flinn, SECONDED by Vice Mayor Serviss to approve the City Manager's Consent Agenda.****AYE:** Serviss, Flinn, Kelley, Hernandez, Saunders**NAY:** None**MOTION PASSED: 5-0****COUNCIL DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS****Item 7: Resolution 2022-21 FY 21-22 Amended Budget****Scott Gerken** read the resolution by title.**Mark Johnson** stated an amended budget is required within 60 days of the closing of a fiscal year. This records any revenue which is below or above the expected amount.**Public Comment**

There were no comments.

**MOTION by Vice Mayor Serviss, SECONDED by Councilor Hernandez to approve Item 7: Resolution 2022-21 FY 21-22 Amended Budget****AYE:** Serviss, Flinn, Kelley, Hernandez, Saunders

NAY: None

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

**Item 8: Resolution 2022-20 – 201 West Washington Street – Public Nuisance and Abatement**

Tabled until the December 6 City Council meeting.

**Item 9: Final Plat – Parkview at the Hills – Phase 3**

**Scott Gerken** swore in those wishing to speak on the item.

**Tim McClendon**, City Planner, asked Council to consider approving a final plat for Phase 3 of Parkview at the Hills. This phase consists of 146 lots and meets all city code requirements. The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended approval.

**Mayor Kelley** asked if Tract B was a retention area and if this phase would complete the subdivision.

**Tim McClendon** confirmed both.

**Scott Gerken** stated the opinion of title is expired. He asked Council if they chose to approve the plat tonight, it should be with the condition this is updated.

**Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

**MOTION by Vice Mayor Serviss, SECONDED by Councilor Flinn to approve Item 9: Final Plat – Parkview at the Hills – Phase 3 with the condition the opinion of title is updated.**

**AYE:** Serviss, Flinn, Kelley, Hernandez, Saunders

**NAY:** None

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

**Item 10: Ordinance 2022-22 – RaceTrac Petroleum, Inc. – Annexation – First Reading – Quasi-Judicial**

**Scott Gerken** read the ordinance by title.

**Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

**Item 11: Ordinance 2022-23 – RaceTrac Petroleum, Inc. – Comprehensive Plan – First Reading**

Scott Gerken read the ordinance by title.

**Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

**Item 12: Ordinance 2022-24 – City of Minneola – Annexation – First Reading – Quasi-Judicial**

Scott Gerken read the ordinance by title.

**Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

**Item 13: Ordinance 2022-25 – City of Minneola – Comprehensive Plan Amendment – First Reading**

Scott Gerken read the ordinance by title.

**Public Comment**

There were no public comments.

**FINAL PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**REPORTS****Mark Johnson**

- Informed council Mosaic Church would be using Trailhead Park for a picnic on Saturday.
- Spoke about including “High Point of Central Florida” on the new welcome signs which will be placed on Highway 27.
  - Vice Mayor Serviss asked if it would be routed foam.
  - Mark Johnson confirmed it would be. They plan to use metal signs at other point in the city.

**Scott Gerken**

- Advised the new and reelected council members of the Sunshine Law and informed them they could reach out to his office directly with any questions.

**Vice Mayor Serviss** spoke about Lake County Sheriff's Office's recent attention to homelessness. Lisa Harris, with Artworx's Murals on the Trail, sent her a message speaking about improvements to the number of homeless individuals seen on the trail.

**Mayor Kelley**

- Asked council to consider approving Nathan Focht as an alternate Planning and Zoning Commission member.

**MOTION by Vice Mayor Serviss, SECONDED by Councilor Hernandez to appoint Nathan Focht as an alternate Planning and Zoning Commission member.**

**AYE:** Serviss, Flinn, Kelley, Hernandez, Saunders

**NAY:** None

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

- Informed council he had met with Sunterra regarding what he considers a "town center". Mayor Kelley stated the developer would like to have a workshop to discuss council's vision for a town center.

**MOTION by Councilor Flinn, SECONDED by Councilor Hernandez, to adjourn.**


**AYE:** Serviss, Flinn, Kelley, Hernandez, Saunders

**NAY:** None

**MOTION PASSED: 5-0**

*(Meeting adjourned at 7:13 P.M.)*

**ATTEST:**

  
Kristine Thompson, City Clerk

