

CITY COMMISSION MEETING – EXECUTIVE SESSION

MINUTES

MARCH 18, 2019

2:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT:

Al Johnson, Mayor
Melinda Pletcher, Vice Mayor
Terri Finnerty, Commissioner
Doug Izzo, Commissioner
Ward Friszolowski, Commissioner

ALSO PRESENT:

Wayne Saunders, City Manager
Andrew Dickman, City Attorney
Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk

Also present was Odelsa Flores-Dickman, Esq. with Dickman Law Firm; Scott Albee, Esq.; and a court reporter.

1. Announcement of Litigation

- a. Chmielewski v. City of St. Pete Beach
 - (1) Case No. 8:13-cv-03170-JDW-MAP; Middle District of Florida
 - (2) Case No. 16-16402; 11th Circuit Court of Appeals

Mayor Johnson announced the commencement of an attorney-client executive session.

2. Adjourn to Executive Session

Mayor Johnson adjourned the meeting to an attorney-client executive session.

3. Reconvene to Public Session

Mayor Johnson announced the conclusion of the executive session and reconvened the meeting to a public session.

4. Discussion and Possible Action

a. Chmielewski v. City of St. Pete Beach

- (1) Case No. 8:13-cv-03170-JDW-MAP; Middle District of Florida –
Order to Pay Trial Fees

Commissioner Finnerty moved to authorize the City Manager to pay the attorney fee judgement in the amount of \$687,817.15 from the General Fund Reserve after an amendment is done by ordinance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Friszolowski and unanimously approved by an individual roll call vote.

- (2) Case No. 16-16402; 11th Circuit Court of Appeals –
Settlement of Appellate Fees and Other Fees

Commissioner Friszolowski moved to approve the settlement for attorney fees, expert fees, and costs in the amount of \$401,682.25 and authorize the City Manager to pay this amount from the General Fund Reserve after an ordinance is brought forward to transfer the funds. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Pletcher and unanimously approved by an individual roll call vote.

- (3) Demand for Financial Contribution from Public Risk Management

Commissioner Friszolowski moved to instruct the City Manager to make a written demand to Public Risk Management for a contribution as a result of its contested settlement of Count One based on the City Attorney's analysis. The motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Pletcher and unanimously approved by an individual roll call vote.

5. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Attest:


Rebecca C. Haynes, City Clerk


Alan Johnson, Mayor

Minutes approved on: 4-9-2019