

**FRUITLAND PARK CITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 5, 2013**

MEETING STATISTICS. A special meeting of the Fruitland Park City Commission was conducted in the Commission Chambers of City Hall, 506 West Berckman Street, Fruitland Park, Florida on Thursday, September 5, 2013 beginning at 6:06 p.m

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. Commissioner Gunter delivered the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Vice Mayor Kelly.

ROLL CALL. Mayor Bell asked Acting City Clerk Marie Azzolino to call the roll.

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT. Commissioner John L. Gunter, Jr., Commissioner Chris Cheshire, Commissioner Albert O. Goldberg, Vice Mayor Sharon Kelly, Mayor Christopher J. Bell

MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS/OTHERS PRESENT. Interim City Manager (ICM) Rick Conner, Police Chief (PC) Terry Isaacs, City Treasurer (ACT) Susan Parker, Community Development Director (CDD) Charlie Rector, Recreation Director, and City Clerk (ACC) Marie Azzolino.

01. SHADE MEETING CLOSED – ATTORNEY-CLIENT MEETING –Pursuant to F.S. 286.011 (8) to discuss settlement negotiations or strategy related to CASE # 2013 CA 000400. Present at the Shade meeting is Vice Mayor Sharon Kelly, Commissioner Gunter, Commissioner Goldberg, Commissioner Cheshire, Mayor Bell, Interim City Manager Rick Conner, Attorney Scott Gerken, Attorney Mike Roper and Court Recorded Susan Davis.

Re-Open Special Meeting:

02. OLD BUSINESS:

- (a) Mayor Bell announced No action taken on the Richardson Lawsuit.
- (b) Public Hearing & Workshop on “The Villages” scheduled for September 19, 2013 at the Casino Building at 7:00pm.
- (c) City Clerk’s position: Rick Conner stated there were some things that needed to be checked out. Everything seems to be in order but have a probation period of 6 months instead on three and a 90 day evaluation on both Esther and Tannette. The Commission agreed on this proposal.

03. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT – Rick Conner (ICM) asked Chief Isaacs to speak about the donation of a three wheel bike to a Fruitland Park resident. Sergeant Sirolli went on Face book and was able to get a three wheel bike with a motor to give to the resident so he could go to get his groceries and not have to walk back and forth. Rick Conner (ICM) stated that Michelle Yoder (Recreation Director) came back from conference with some great ideas. Michelle made contacts with the supplier and was able to get four soccer goals instead of two for Cales field at a quarter of the cost. Rick Conner (ICM) stated he would like to schedule an internal workshop, in the conference room, on the 12th before the regular commission meeting. Scott Gerken (CA) wanted to make sure there is enough room for residents since this is a public meeting.

Rick Conner (ICM) stated that Colin Baenzinger has scheduled October 10th to present the applicants for the position of City Manager. Mayor Bell stated that the announcement of the new City Manager will be on October 17th, and the interviews will be held October 11th.

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Rick Conner stated that Acting City Clerk, Marie Azzolino will send out an email with all the dates of upcoming meetings and events. Mayor Bell thanked (ACC) Marie Azzolino for a great job as Acting Clerk Clerk.

04. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT – Nothing

05. COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS:

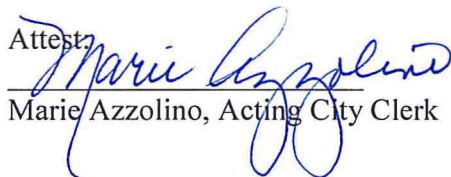
- a) Commissioner Gunter – Nothing
- b) Vice Mayor Kelly – Would like a reporter to do an interview about our views on the Richardson Lawsuit.
- c) Commissioner Cheshire –Nothing
- d) Commissioner Goldberg - Nothing

06. MAYOR BELL'S COMMENTS. - Nothing

09. ADJOURNMENT. There being no further business to discuss, Commissioner Cheshire moved to adjourn the regular meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.



Christopher J. Bell, Mayor

Attest:


Marie Azzolino, Acting City Clerk