

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL
1000 CITY CENTER CIRCLE
PORT ORANGE, FLORIDA
MARCH 16, 2020

THE SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING of the City of Port Orange was called to order by Mayor Donald O. Burnette at 6:30 p.m.

Silent Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present:

Council Member Marilyn Ford
Council Member Chase Tramont
Council Member Scott Stiltner
Vice Mayor Drew Bastian
Mayor Donald Burnette

Also Present:

City Manager Jake Johansson
City Attorney Matthew Jones
City Clerk Robin Fenwick

DISCUSSION ITEMS

4. COVID-19 Planning, Preparation and Action Discussion

Jake Johansson, City Manager, provided information from the City Manager's meeting with the County this morning, as well as information from the Florida Department of Health. He spoke regarding the events that have already been cancelled and provided options for Council to consider regarding City business.

a. Resolution No. 20-12 - Declaration of Local State of Emergency

Mayor Don Burnette read Resolution No. 20-12.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-12

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PORT ORANGE, VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA, DECLARING A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY COMMENCING MARCH 16, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.; RATIFYING EMERGENCY MEASURES TAKEN IN RESPONSE TO THE LOCAL EMERGENCY; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion to approve Resolution No. 20-12 was made by Vice Mayor Drew Bastian and Seconded by Council Member Chase Tramont.

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Sarah Jones, citizen, asked that as little business as possible be conducted during this state of emergency.

Robert Reinhausen, citizen, would like to see Council ensure stability for all citizens regarding the impact.

Debbie Connors, Port Orange/South Daytona Chamber of Commerce, said the Chamber is extremely concerned for the small businesses. The Chamber has cancelled many events and meetings through April. They are researching funding options. They're offices are locked but their phones are up. They are available to help.

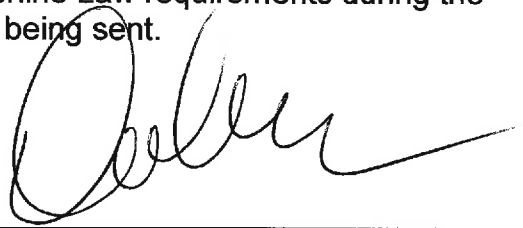
Jennifer Card, Chamber President, asked citizens to remember small businesses during this state of emergency. Businesses are still open for business and need citizens to make it through.

Mr. Johansson answered questions of Council.

Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Matthew Jones, City Attorney, provided details of the letter he is requesting Council send to the Governor regarding relaxing the Sunshine Law requirements during the state of emergency. Council supported the letter being sent.

ADJOURNMENT - 6:37 p.m.



Mayor Donald O. Burnette

Attest:



Robin Fenwick, MMC
City Clerk