

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING
CITY COUNCIL, VENICE, FLORIDA

April 30, 2013

A Special Meeting of the City Council to consider Ordinance No. 2013-11, Extending the City's Consent to the Inclusion of the Incorporated Area of the City of Venice in the Sarasota County Emergency Medical Services Municipal Service Taxing Unit, and to approve a topic for the June 10, 2013 joint meeting with the Sarasota County Board of County Commissioners was held this date in Council Chambers at City Hall. Mayor Holic called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

ELECTED OFFICIALS AND OTHERS PRESENT

Roll was called with the following elected officials present: Mayor John Holic, Vice Mayor Bob Daniels, and Council Members Jim Bennett, Jeanette Gates, Kit McKeon, and Dave Sherman. Emilio Carlesimo was absent.

Also present: City Manager Ed Lavallee, City Clerk Lori Stelzer, Assistant City Attorney Kelly Fernandez, and for certain items on the agenda: Fire Chief James Warman.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Holic.

I. ORDINANCE NO. 2013-11, EXTENDING THE CITY'S CONSENT TO THE INCLUSION OF THE INCORPORATED AREA OF THE CITY OF VENICE IN THE SARASOTA COUNTY EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES MUNICIPAL SERVICE TAXING UNIT (MSTU) – APPROVED AND ADOPTED

Ms. Stelzer read the ordinance by title only.

Mr. McKeon **moved** that Ordinance No. 2013-11 be placed on final reading. **Seconded** by Mr. Bennett. MOTION CARRIED ON VOICE VOTE UNANIMOUSLY.

Mayor Holic opened the public hearing and Ms. Stelzer stated that no written communications had been received.

No one in the audience came forward to speak.

Mayor Holic closed the public hearing.

Mr. Daniels **moved** that Ordinance No. 2013-11 be approved and adopted. **Seconded** by Ms. Gates.

ROLL CALL: MR. MCKEON, YES; MS. GATES, YES; MR. DANIELS, YES; MR. SHERMAN, YES; MR. BENNETT, YES; MAYOR HOLIC, YES. MOTION CARRIED.

II. APPROVE TOPIC FOR JUNE 10, 2013 JOINT MEETING WITH THE SARASOTA COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Mayor Holic outlined his request for the additional topic for the joint meeting, and suggested a fixed fee instead of a percentage for the MSTU.

Chief Warman discussed the number of city fire engine calls.

Mayor Holic advised that Sarasota County collects \$600.000 per call and suggested charging the county \$200.00 per call for Venice fire engines.

Chief Warman suggested charging the standard Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) rate in the amount of \$75.00 to \$100.00 per hour plus personnel costs.

Discussion followed regarding justifying fee amounts, Nokomis Fire Department use of City of Venice fire trucks, mutual aid agreements, and obtaining input from the EMS Advisory Board.

(2:11) Earl Midlam, Nokomis resident, briefed council members on the EMS Advisory Board and advised that they report to the Sarasota County Board of County Commissioners. Mr. Midlam also commented on mutual aid agreements.

Council discussion continued regarding fire boat calls, calls outside of city limits, existing interlocal agreements (ILA), and mutual aid agreements.

There was **consensus** to incorporate into the ILA a fixed fee for sending out city fire engines with county ambulances.

Mr. Lavallee indicated that staff would report on FEMA rates at the May 14, 2014 city council meeting.

Discussion ensued concerning the City of Venice being represented on the EMS Advisory Board.

Ms. Stelzer stated she would research establishment of the EMS Advisory Board and appointment of Venice's representative.

III. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before council, the meeting was adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

ATTEST:

Mayor – City of Venice

City Clerk