



**CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE  
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, February 8, 2011**

Pursuant to due notice the regularly scheduled Commission meeting was held in the Commission Chambers at 360 E. Main St., Pahokee, Palm Beach County, Florida on Tuesday, February 8, 2011.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sasser at 7:00 p.m. Invocation was by Commissioner Babb followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Official attendance was recorded as follows:

<b><u>Roll Call:</u></b>	Mayor J.P. Sasser	Present
	Vice Mayor Henry Crawford	Present
	Commissioner Keith Babb	Present
	Commissioner Allie Biggs	Absent
	Commissioner Diane Walker	Present.
	City Manager Derrek Moore	Present
	City Attorney Gary Brandenburg	Present
	Sgt. At Arms: Lt. R. Alonso	Present @ 7:05 p.m.
	Deputy Clerk Rashonda Warren	Present

**Additions, Deletions and Approval of Agenda Items:**

Deletions: Item F - 4 – Consent Agenda – Resolution 2011-06 – Budget Amendments

**Approval of the Agenda Items.**

**Motion by Commissioner Babb. Second by Commissioner Walker.**

**Motion carried. Four (4) Ayes. One (1) absent.**

**Approval of Minutes:**

Item E – 1- Regular Commission Meeting – January 25, 2011

**Approval of January 25, 2011 Regular Commission Meeting Minutes.**

**Motion by Commissioner Babb. Second by Commissioner Walker.**

**Motion carried. Four (4) Ayes. One (1) absent.**

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**Consent Agenda:**

**F-1. RESOLUTION 2011-03** – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AMENDMENT 001 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH PALM BEACH COUNTY FOR CDBG FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$110,716, FOR THE PURPOSE OF INITIATING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS WITHIN THE CITY OF PAHOKEE.

**F-2. RESOLUTION 2011-04** – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING VARIOUS BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO THE 2010-2011 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET.

**F-3. RESOLUTION 2011-05** – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE DISTRICT FOUR LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF PAHOKEE AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

**F-4. RESOLUTION 2011-06** – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING VARIOUS BUDGET AMENDMENTS TO THE 2010-2011 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET.

**Approval of Consent Agenda.**

**Motion by Commissioner Walker. Second by Commissioner Babb.**

**Motion carried. Four (4) Ayes. One (1) absent.**

**Report of the Mayor:**

Mayor Sasser advises on an update regarding SR 715. Mayor Sasser has provided photographs of the work in progress. The roadway will be open in the next few days.

Mayor Sasser also advises on the guardrail issue along SR 80. The project will cost 4.3 million and construction should begin in December 2011, and will take approximately 6 (six) months.

Mayor Sasser inquires if there are any questions from the audience.

Jeff Tarr of 173 S. Flame Ave., Pahokee, Fl. advises:

- On the Old Conners Highway, formerly known as US 98, there is a three (3) mile stretch of roadway towards Canal Point that there is no guardrail.

Mayor Sasser advises that the City Manager will look into it.

**Report of the City Manager:**

City Manager Moore calls upon Mrs. Mattie Crawford for a brief presentation.

Mrs. Mattie Crawford of 1447 ½ E. 7<sup>th</sup> St., Pahokee, Fl. 33476 advises:

- February is Black History Month
- The Pahokee Heritage Festival will run over 3 (three) days beginning Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> with a concert at the Pahokee High School Auditorium, tickets are \$10.00.
- Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Festival in the Park at Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Park. Encourages local vendors to participate.

**Report of the City Manager continued:**

Mrs. Mattie Crawford continues:

- On Sunday February 27<sup>th</sup>, there will be a 2 (two) hour Gospel fest at the Marina.
- Encourages all churches and choirs to participate.
- Encourages attendance from the audience.

City Manager Moore advises:

- Parks & Recreation Department holds a Black History program each year. It will be held in the cafeteria on February 26, 2011. It is a fundraiser to provide a trip for the seniors and the kid's college tour.
- Have received notice from County Commissioner Jess Santamaria regarding the Glades Community Forum at the Dolly Hand Center. This will be on February 22, 2011.
- Advises that Palm beach County Days are March 8 & 9, 2011.
- Both of the above events fall on regular Commission meeting days.
- Florida Rural Conference reservations have been made.
- Upcoming conferences: Preventing Crime in the Black Communities and in August, the Florida League of Cities Conference.
- Tomorrow Leadership Glades of Palm Beach County will be at the marina from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
- Advises that he and the Mayor will be meeting with FDOT on Feb. 22, 2011 regarding repairs on SR 715 and SR 15/US 441.
- Advises that he has met with USDA, they will be coming back in August to do a visioning.
- Regarding retaining three (3) employees, Area on Aging has advised that they have funding available, will bring back proposal, CDBG funds not used last year have rolled over into this year, those funds will be used to retain employees.
- Requests at sometime, would like to review the credit card policy.

Mayor Sasser requests that the Commission make a decision regarding the February 22<sup>nd</sup> and March 8<sup>th</sup> meetings.

Mayor Sasser advises that he will attend the Glades Forum on February 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Cancel the March 8, 2011 Commission meeting due to Palm Beach County Days.**

**Motion by Commissioner Walker. Second by Commissioner Babb.**

**Motion carried. Four (4) Ayes. One (1) absent.**

Commissioner Walker requests that a letter be sent to County Commissioners regarding dates selected for meetings planned in the Glades.

City Manager Moore advises that he has expressed this concern verbally, but he will follow up with a letter.

**Report of the City Attorney:**

City Attorney Brandenburg advises that he has no report.

**Citizens Comments:**

Jeff Tarr of 173 S. Flame Ave., Pahokee, FL. 33476 advises:

- Would like to publically recognize Mr. Kenneth Holley of the Code Enforcement Department for his dedication and professionalism.

George Moreno of 497 S. Barfield Hwy., Pahokee, Fl. 33476:

- Requests for his property to be rezoned.
- Is having trouble operating his business.

City Manager Moore advises that Mr. Holley has been in contact with Calvin & Giordano regarding this issue and the property across the street. Calls upon Mr. Holley to come forward and provide an update.

Mr. Holley advises that he has been in contact with Calvin & Giordano. Mr. Moreno's property is currently zoned Single Family 7, and it would require a Land Use Amendment. Still do not have a total cost for the Land Use Amendment.

City Manager Moore advises that when we receive the information from Calvin & Giordano, he will advise Mr. Moreno and the Commission. Requests that Mr. Moreno come into the office to meet again.

Hal Stankard of Lake Okeechobee Outpost:

- Thanks Commissioner Biggs and Commissioner Walker for their upcoming attendance and presentation to the Rotary Club.
- Thanks the Mayor and Commission for their support regarding the Florida Rural Economic Conference.
- Advises Mayor that he will be speaking at the conference for 5-6 minutes.
- Advised that he will be speaking at the Governor's Conference.
- Thanks Commission for Resolution 2011-03 on tonight's agenda.

Tim Campbell Owner of Pahokee Beach RV Park located at 297 West Main St., Pahokee, FL.:

- Inquires if the Marina is a campground?
- Inquires if the Marina is legal to have tenants year round?

Vice Mayor Crawford advises that when the City operated the Marina, tenants were permitted only six (6) months continuous.

Mayor Sasser advised that he understood that there were not to be any year-round tenants.

City Manager Moore advises that he will look into the situation, and advise the Commission and Mr. Campbell.

**Citizens Comments continued:**

Zina Eldaghar of Canal Point:

- Canal Point has been having a lot of burglaries lately
- Thanks Lt. Alonso and the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, they have been very aggressive and we see them every night.

**Correspondence/Comments and Concerns of the City Commissioners:**

Vice Mayor Crawford:

- Thanks the Mayor and Commissioners fro standing tall as it relates to the temporary ramp issue at the marina.
- Thanks the City Attorney for looking out for the best interest of the City.
- Appreciates everyone attendance, we can work together to solve any problems.

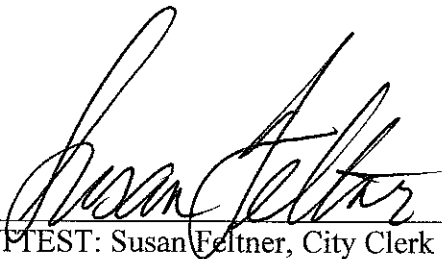
Commissioner Walker:

- Encourages all to support the Pahokee Heritage Festival
- Concerned about the violent activities in our community.
- Need to focus on bringing jobs to our community.
- It takes all of us to make a difference in our community.

Mayor Sasser:

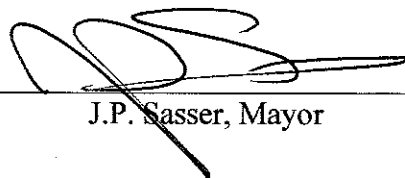
- Thanks Mrs. Mattie Crawford for planning the Pahokee Hertitage Festival, hopes it becomes an annual event.
- Thanks Mr. Moore for providing important upcoming meeting/conference dates.
- Reminds Commissioners of Ms. Dianne Schultz, she is a key person at the Florida Rural Conference, will be happy to work with us.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Sasser adjourns the meeting at 8:07 p.m.



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A FTEST: Susan Feltner, City Clerk



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J.P. Sasser, Mayor