



**CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE
SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, May 19, 2010**

Pursuant to due notice the Special Commission meeting was held in the Commission Chambers at 360 E. Main St., Pahokee, Palm Beach County, Florida on Wednesday, May 19, 2010.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sasser at 12:30 p.m. Invocation was by Commissioner Walker followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Officials attendance was recorded as follows:

<u>Roll Call:</u>	Mayor J.P. Sasser	Present
	Vice Mayor Henry Crawford	Present
	Commissioner Keith Babb	Present @ 12:34 p.m.
	Commissioner Allie Biggs	Present
	Commissioner Diane Walker	Present
	City Manager Matthew Brock	Present
	City Attorney Gary Brandenburg	Via Telephone
	Sgt. At Arms: Lt. R. Alonso	Absent
	City Clerk Susan Feltner	Present

1. Approval of Agreement with Bauer Foundation for the lease and remodel of the old high school building.

Mayor Sasser addresses the Commission and advises:

- This meeting is regarding the Bauer Foundation and the old high school building
- As you can see they are already working on cleaning the building up, and covering the holes in the floor
- To prepare for their engineer to do an assessment on the building
- In regards to a lease and legal, it will be done after their assessment
- They have already secured the rear of the building
- In front of the Clerk is the original plans for the renovation into city hall, for those who would like to view the plans
- The plans are sealed, but are old and would have to be brought up to code
- Bauer has proposed to go back to the original architect and bring it up to speed
- Last night gave the City Attorney contact information for the Bauer group
- Bauer has a twenty (20) month contract with the Corp of Engineers
- Proposal is to lease the building for two (2) years
- In lieu of monthly rent, they will rehab the building to our city hall specifications
- As soon as possible they would like to go into the ground floor for office space
- Feels that the plans we have are an excellent starting spot
- Wants the Commission to be aware of what is going on
- Met with the Colonel after the Bauer group, they had a workforce meeting at PNC Bank

Mayor Sasser continues:

- They are committed to hiring local people
- Sent a letter of recommendation for the Bauer Group
- Was advised that when they start construction they are going to need thirty-five (35) people/laborers
- Bauer Group has been purchasing supplies here locally between Pahokee & Belle Glade
- It is my understanding that they go in and do the plumbing and electrical first, then put up partition walls
- Bauer advised that no corners would be cut.
- Bauer group already employs some of our local citizens
- Bauer stated that they would provide boots and masks for the thirty-five (35) employees needed.

Mayor Sasser inquires of the City Attorney of the motion that needs to be made.

City Attorney Brandenburg stated:

- The Commission should move approval to allow them access for purposes of assessing the building for future construction and authorize the city attorney to negotiate a lease.

Approval to Allow Bauer Foundation access for the purposes of assessing the building for future construction and authorizing the City Attorney to negotiate a lease.

Motion by Commissioner Biggs. Second by Commissioner Walker


Motion carried unanimously.

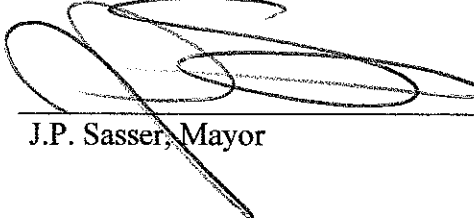
Commissioner Walker addresses the Commission and states:

- As it relates to the plans, currently it shows the Commission Chambers on the second floor
- Recommends that the Chambers moved to the lower floor.

Mayor Sasser recommends that each Commissioner have a list to address any ideas and/or issues that will then be presented to the Bauer Foundation.

There being no further business of City to discuss, Mayor Sasser adjourns the meeting at 12:48 p.m.


Attest: Susan Feltner, City Clerk


J.P. Sasser, Mayor