



**CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, June 10th, 2014**

Pursuant to due notice the regularly scheduled Commission workshop meeting was held in the Commission Chambers at 360 E. Main St., Pahokee, Palm Beach County, Florida on June 10th, 2014.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Walkes at 7:10 p.m.
Official attendance was recorded as follows:

<u>Roll Call:</u>	Mayor Colin Walkes	Present
	City Commissioner Keith Babb	Present
	Commissioner Allie Biggs	Present
	Commissioner Felisia Hill	Present
	Vice Mayor Diane Walker	Present
	City Manager Derrek Moore	Present
	City Attorney Gary Brandenburg	Present
	Sergeant At Arms Lt. Poston	Present
	Deputy City Clerk Rashonda Warren	Present

Mayor Walkes thanked State Representative Rader for attending the meeting.

Additions, Deletions and Approval of Agenda Items

Additions

Consent Agenda:
Resolution 2014-17

Old Business:

Customer services emergency equipment
Resolution 2014-18

Approval of Additions, Deletions, and Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Biggs. Second by Commissioner Hill.

Motion carried unanimously

Citizen Comments

Angela Anderson explained that how her truck was cited for being parked on City property. She moved the vehicle to her car port, within three (3) days. She went to Special Magistrate, but she felt she was in compliance, prior to going to Special Magistrate. She requested a reason as to why she received a fine.

City Attorney Brandenburg explained that the Special Magistrate allows individuals to present their case prior to deciding on the Order of finding(s). The Commission does not have authority to overturn the Special Magistrate. The violation presented to the Special magistrate was for an inoperable vehicle.

Ms. Warren advised the vehicle is inoperable, the tires are flat, and the tag is expired. Ms. Warren granted Ms. Anderson an extension, per Ms. Anderson's request. Ms. Warren advised the vehicle was inoperable for at least five (5) months.

Commissioner Biggs advised she is aware that the Commissioners do not have the right to overturn the Special Magistrate, but it is the Commission's duty to listen to the citizens' complaints and be compassionate towards the citizens.

City Manager Moore stated that Ms. Anderson has met with Ms. Warren's supervisor and has filed a complaint. He explained that Ms. Anderson should provide her information to City Attorney Brandenburg.

Mayor Walkes thanked Ms. Anderson for bringing forth the information.

Consent Agenda

1. **RESOLUTION 2014-16- A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH S. VITALE PYROTECNICS IND., INC FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING A FIREWORK DISPLAY**
2. **RESOLUTION 2014 – 17- A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH ASSURANCE POWER SYSTEMS, DATED SEPTEMBER 24TH , 2013, EXTENDING THE TIME FOR PERFORMANCE UNDER THE AGREEMENT.**

Approval of Consent Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Babb. Second by Vice Mayor Walker.

Motion carried unanimously.

Presentations

State Representative Rader stated his three pledges, the first was to try to show up as much as possible to these commission meetings. The second was to hire someone to be out in the Glades, Barbara Davis. Third pledge is to try to bring a large amount of jobs. It admitted that that is a rather large project that he is still working on. He spoke about the Glades budget for the year. Representative Rader mentioned that they were provided 426,000 dollars for West Tech Construction Academy, giving people without a GED or Diploma a chance to work. He went on to say that for the first time ever the state of Florida has put money together for the roads. He said that there are a lot of water projects this year. He mentioned that a part of his office is constructed from a piece of water pipe that came from the Glades area. He assured that if you were to see this piece of pipe you would appalled in the amount of rust in it. He ended saying that they now have money to replace these pipes. A nine million dollar appropriation, Rural Areas of Critical Economic Concern, was discussed. He said that for the past years the small cities such as Pahokee and South Bay are in big counties has gotten no money. This will allow them to get more money.

Mayor asked what rationale are they giving to block gambling considering that gambling offers jobs in Pahokee.

Representative Rader said that the gambling issues concern the big destination casino and others. He included that Disney hates gambling the most. Disney fears that gambling is taking money away from them. Representative Rader says that a year before it was too late to split the money but promised to split it this year. But he is not too sure on how to split it.

Mayor Walkes mentioned the passing of a previous Mayor Alvis Davis and his mother in law.

Citizen asked could there be a picture of the deceased mayor in the Commission Chamber.

Approval of Alvis Davis Proclamation and picture in Commission Chamber

Motion by Vice Mayor Walker. Second by Commissioner Babb.

Motion carried unanimously.

Report of the Mayor

Mayor Walkes requested that \$1,200, in \$100 increments from his salary, be donated to two (2) high school students that are the Valedictorian and Salutatorian, effective October 1, 2014. Mayor Walkes also advised he would to donate \$50 per month to the Pahokee Make Over. Mayor Walkes advised that he spoke to the City Manager and the City Attorney Brandenburg, in reference to this matter.

City Manager Report

NBA camp starts June 23, 2014 through June 27, 2014. He wanted to make sure there was transportation for all children. He wanted to update us to say that the senior citizens are going on there their trip, leaving Friday. Donations are being taken. Senator Abruzzo will be coming on the 24th. And Ms. McKinley will be here tomorrow. He also mentioned that these commissioners worked hard to get money in Tallahassee. He also said the Pahokee is eligible to get some of Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) money which is nine million dollars. City Manager Moore also said that he's asked Nick Uhren to come meet and talk about how they could get more money. He also said that equipment was donated to the City Hall. They are assessing the items now.

Old Business

1. Marina Agreement- Discussed in the workshop
2. Employee Survey - Data is being compiled.
3. Gymnasium Renovation Project- in progress
4. Rejection of ITQ 2014 – 01 Community Center Generator

City Manager Moore advised the bidder's signature was missing from the proposals.

Approval to Reject ITQ 2014 - 01

Motion by Vice Mayor Walker. Second by Commissioner Hill.

Motion carried unanimously

New Business:

1. **Marketing Firm-** City Manager Moore requested permission to begin a RFP process for a marketing firm.

Approval for RFP for Marketing Firm

Motion by Vice Mayor Walker. Second by Commissioner Biggs.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. **City's Slogan** – City Manager Moore advised a survey would be circulated to establish a new slogan.
3. **RESOLUTION 2014 – 18 – COUNTY RESOLUTION – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN PALM BEACH COUNTY AND THE CITY OF PAHOKEE.**

Approval of Resolution 2014 – 18

Motion by Vice Mayor Walker. Second by Commissioner Hill.

Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comments:

Marcia Hardney advised the Pahokee Committee requested MPO to visit the Glades. She announced MPO is developing a plan to work on transportation development, including bike trails and pedestrian walk ways. She also mentioned that MPO only deals with federal roads.

Commissioners Comments:

Commissioner Biggs suggested City of Pahokee set aside money for a lobbyist. Commissioner Biggs inquired about the status of renaming Rardin Avenue to East Lake Village Blvd. that is between Fifth Street and McClure Blvd. Commissioner Biggs said that there was a law that is helping small cities in large counties. Commissioner Biggs has a proclamation from the School District in memory of East Lake High School and the alma mater will be placed in the new Fire Station in memory of East Lake High School. Commissioner Biggs advised that Ms. Louise Snead requested a Letter of Support for remodeling her building at East Main and Mill Road for a day care.

Approval for Letter of Support to help Snead

Motion by Vice Mayor Walker. Second by Commissioner Hill.

Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Babb thanked Ms. Warren for being a great Code Enforcement Officer. He requested for the Staff to listen to the citizens and to be more compassionate.

Vice Mayor Walker stated for clarification, the Commissioners told Senator Abruzzo that the City of Pahokee did not have money for a lobbyist, which is the reason why he agreed to be the lobbyist for the City of Pahokee. She inquired about the role of the Deputy City Clerk, in the absence of the City Clerk, asked if the Deputy City Clerk may be reached for access to the City Hall, and expressed her concern, in regards to the Commission not having keys to the City Hall. Vice Mayor Walker thanked everyone who assisted with the Youth Empowerment Summit and advised that it was a success.

City Manager Moore replied that the role of the Deputy City Clerk is to assist the City Clerk and act as the Clerk in her absence.

Mayor Walkes inquired as to why the Commissioners do not have access to keys.

City Manager Moore stated there is no reason why the Commissioners do not have a key. Only one commissioner had a key in the past, it was rarely used, and it was not used on the days that City Hall was closed. City Manager Moore will email City Attorney Brandenburg for guidance.

Commissioner Hill agreed with Commissioner Biggs, in regards to setting aside money for a lobbyist and bid all good night.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Walkes adjourns the meeting at 9:23 p.m.



Colin O. Walkes, Mayor



ATTEST: Anika Sinclair, City Clerk