

CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE COMMISSION WORKSHOP MINUTES Tuesday, May 27th, 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 May 27th, 2014.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Walkes at 6:10 p.m.

Official attendance was recorded as follows:

Roll Call:

Mayor Colin Walkes

City Commissioner Keith Babb Commissioner Allie Biggs

Commissioner Felisia Hill

Vice Mayor Diane Walker

City Manager Derrek Moore
City Attorney Gary Brandenburg

Sergeant At Arms Lt. Poston Deputy City Clerk Rashonda Warren Present

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Present @ 6:15 p.m.

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Absent

Present

Topic:

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Consent Agenda

City Manager Moore stated Resolution 2014 - 15 is the combination of the KABOOM Grant and the grant received from County Commissioner Santamaria, for the Commissioner's Park Improvements. The project will consist of playground equipments, two (2) picnic pavilions, tables, and grills.

Old Business

City Manager Moore advised he has spoken to Senator Latvala and Senator Abruzzo, in regards to Roads and Streets funds. One million dollars have been allocated for Roads and Streets, but Governor Rick Scott's signature is pending for the approval of the allocated funds. City Manager Moore stated one million dollars have been allocated for the Glades areas and nine million dollars have been allocated for five (5) Cities, which includes Pahokee, Belle Glade, and South Bay. Applications will have to be submitted to Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for access to the nine million dollars. Senator Abruzzo advised the one million dollars will be distributed and divided based on the population of the three (3) Cities in the Glades area. City Manager Moore announced Senator Abruzzo will meet with the Commissioners to discuss the nine million dollars application, and his plans for the upcoming years. The date of the meeting with Senator Abruzzo will be forthcoming.

Mayor Walkes encouraged the Citizens to reach out to Governor Rick Scott, for support of the Glades area, as well as to encourage him to sign the allocation.

Commissioner Babb suggested that documentation and plans be presented to Senator Abruzzo, to express how the City of Pahokee plans to utilize the funds, the City of Pahokee's dire need of the funds, and the City of Pahokee's appreciation of the funds.

Commissioner Babb and Commissioner Hill both expressed that the funds should be need based, as opposed to being population based.

Barbara Davis, District Secretary of Representative Rader's Office, advised Representative Kevin Rader will meet with the Commissioners and City Manager Moore. The date of the meeting will be forthcoming.

City Manager Moore announced that the City of Pahokee has received fifteen thousand dollars from the Hill Foundation for the Independence Day Fireworks Celebration and Staff will continue to raise funds for the 2014 Back to School Bash. An Invitation to Quote (ITQ) was advertised for the Generator and the bids have been received, but Palm Beach County is mandating rebidding on the project, due to updates and a missing signature on documentation. City Manager Moore announced that some of the City of Pahokee's staff will meet with Palm Health Care, along with residents and young people, on May 26th, 2014, in regards to the Health Grant that Palm Health Care District will be sponsoring. City Manager Moore announced that Rashonda Warren has obtained her Code Enforcement I Certification and Elea Dean has received her Director's Credentials.

Commissioner Babb suggested that Staff receive an incentive or a raise after they have obtained credentials that could enhance their job performance.

Vice Mayor Walker requested a list of the credentials and/or degrees that Staff has received within the last two (2) months.

Commissioner Biggs requested that the Commission receive an update regarding the Marina Agreement.

Vice Mayor Walker inquired if there is a clause in the agreement, which gives a timeframe for the Marina Restaurant to be opened.

City Attorney Brandenburg advised there is no contract; therefore, there is no clause providing an opening date. If the Commission decides that the Marina Agreement process is taking too long, then the Commission may reject the proposal and negotiate with the next party. City Attorney Brandenburg advised he and City Manager Moore met with Mr. Lambert on April 17th, 2014 and Mr. Lambert did not follow up until April 23rd, 2014, with the significant issues that he has submitted. City Attorney Brandenburg discussed the issues that Mr. Lambert presented.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Walkes adjourns the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

ATTEST: Anika Sinclair, City Clerk