

CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE **COMMISSION WORKSHOP MINUTES** Tuesday, September 23rd, 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 September 23, 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. Luty

City Clerk Anika Sinclair

Present

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Present @ 6:23 p.m.

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Present @ 6:36 p.m.

Present

Absent

Present Present

Topic:

Commission Meeting Agenda, September 23, 2014

Report of the City Manager

City Manager Moore mentioned the Memorandum, which requests the Commission's approval to piggyback on County contract to purchase computers and related equipment.

Consent Agenda

City Manager Moore advised Resolution 2014 – 41 regard the garbage and trash removal rates will increased by 2.5%. Resolution 2014 – 42 is for the fee changes that will be made at the Port Mayaca Cemetery. Resolution 2014 – 43 regards the changes that were made to the cost of the Parks and Recreation Cafeteria, Senior Room and Conference Room. Resolution 2014 – 44 is in reference to the Building Department fee schedule and Resolution 2014 – 45 is in regards to the lease agreement by and between the City of Pahokee and Family Care Training Center, for the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) courses on the City of Pahokee's premises. The CNA courses will be Monday through Thursday, and the rent will be \$600 per month. The Lease Agreement will be effective October 1st, 2014.

Proclamations

City Manager Moore stated he would like to present the Certificate of Appreciation to Bevin Beaudet, at the Palm Beach County Water Utilities Advisory Board meeting on Friday, September 26th, 2014.

Presentations

City Manager Moore announced that the Palm Beach County School District will present an update regarding the plans for the school grades in the Glades area. Palm Beach County Black Nurses Association would like to partner with the City of Pahokee during the Health Fairs and the Community Relations Advisory Board will be present at the Regular Scheduled Commission Meeting.

Old Business

City Manager Moore stated he and City Attorney Brandenburg have reviewed companies that can do a study for the Pahokee Campground and Marina. City Attorney Brandenburg will inform the City of Pahokee for the cost of the study. City Manager Moore advised he provided the Expenditure Report for the Gymnasium Renovation Project. In regards to the Economic Development Initiative, the Medical Records Company plans to open within the next two (2) weeks, and they will appear before the Commission next month.

Mayor Walkes gave an update on the Florida Youth Chamber of Commerce Charity and the Total Building Needs, Inc. He requested for City Manager Moore and Mrs. Washington, Director of Community Development, to search for grants for training.

New Business

City Manager Moore advised the Credit Card Bill is attached to the expenses.

City Manager Moore announced the upcoming dates:

Palm Beach County League of Cities Monthly Meeting and Luncheon at Gaines Park – September 24th, 2014 Pahokee High School's Homecoming Parade – September 26th, 2014 Pahokee Rotary Mixer at the Pahokee Campground and Marina – October 2nd, 2014 Open House at the West Tech Center – October 9th, 2014 City of Pahokee's Health Fair – October 11th, 2014 Veteran's Day – November 11th, 2014

Commissioner Babb inquired if the personal information that was collected for the Homecoming Parade will be filed or destroyed. Babb inquired about the paint selection for the gymnasium and suggested that old plans for projects be reviewed and discussed before the initiation of the projects

City Manager Moore advised he will follow up with the High School and the paint selection was made during planning period. He announced that the grant applications for the \$9,000,000 and the \$210,000, for roads, have been submitted.

Mayor Walkes inquired about the Funeral Home.

City Manager Moore advised he will follow up with Calvin, Giordano & Associates, Inc. The area has always been zoned as residential.

Mayor Walkes mentioned that there is a STOP sign missing at the intersection of East Main Place and Barfield Highway.

City Manager Moore advised he has requested for Mr. Johnson, Director of Public Services, to identify all of the areas where signs are missing, in the City of Pahokee. A plan will be developed in an effort to replace the missing signs.

Commissioner Babb inquired about the mowing schedule for the property at the Pahokee Plaza and the Airport in Pahokee.

Mayor Walkes advised the County is aiming to annex the property to the City of Pahokee. He stated the County does not have the manpower to mow the property. Mayor Walkes requested for City Manager Moore to forward the County's response to the Commissioners and advised he has reached out to Commissioner Santamaria.

Commissioner Babb inquired about the projected date for the entryway signs and the picnic area at the Pahokee Campground and Marina.

City Manager Moore stated the City of Pahokee is waiting on the Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT's) approval. An application has been submitted to the Army Corp of Engineers for the FEMA Project at the Pahokee Campground and Marina. City Manager Moore advised the primary work to be done is the pavilions and the long-term issue would be the bathrooms because of the sewer pipe. He advised he has spoken with Palm Beach County, Congressman Alcee Hastings, and Lieutenant Colonel Greco regarding funding for placing the sewer line back in.

Mayor Walkes stated he met with Todd Bonlarron regarding the flood maps. The Army Corp of Engineers is not willing to certify the work that has been done to the Herbert Hoover Dike as safe. He requested for City Manager to reach out to Congressman Alcee Hastings in regards to this matter.

Commissioner Babb stated the citizens will have to seek out flood insurance.

Vice Mayor Walker requested for City Manager Moore to invite the FEMA staff to the City of Pahokee.

City Manager Moore advised he has requested for them to host the event at the City of Pahokee, but was advised they would have to review their budget.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Walkes adjourns the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

Colin O. Walkes, Mayor

ATTEST: Anika Sinclair, City Clerk