

**MINUTES
CITY OF LAKE WORTH
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 6, 2018 -- 6:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Triolo on the above date at 6:00 PM in the City Commission Chamber located at City Hall, 7 North Dixie Highway, Lake Worth, Florida.

1. **ROLL CALL:** Present were Mayor Pam Triolo; Vice Mayor Scott Maxwell; and Commissioners Omari Hardy, Andy Amoroso and Herman Robinson. Also present were City Manager Michael Bornstein, City Attorney Glen Torcivia and City Clerk Deborah Andrea.
2. **INVOCATION OR MOMENT OF SILENCE:** by Pastor Carlos Betancourt from Church of God on behalf of Vice Mayor Scott Maxwell.
3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** led by Commissioner Herman Robinson.
4. **AGENDA - Additions/Deletions/Reordering:**

Item N was deleted from the Consent agenda and moved to New Business Item B. Item 4 of the Lake Worth Electric Utility (LWEU) Consent Agenda was moved to Item 2 New Business.

Action: Motion made by Vice Mayor Maxwell and seconded by Commissioner Amoroso to approve the agenda as amended.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Triolo, Vice Mayor Maxwell and Commissioners Hardy, Amoroso and Robinson. NAYS: None.

5. **PRESENTATIONS:** (there is no public comment on Presentation items)

A. Proclamation regarding National Surveyors Week

Mayor Triolo read the proclamation and presented it to Jim Sullivan, Florida Surveying and Mapping Society District 6 Director

6. **COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS AND COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Robinson: thanked the staff who made the City look great for the Street Painting and Finnish Festivals. He spoke about the upcoming meeting regarding the beach complex and requested that residents would present their ideas. He urged the Commission to ask the State representatives to change the gun laws.

Commissioner Amoroso: attended the Palm Beach County League of Cities and BDB meetings at the new campus in the Glades to the Tullis Site where recycled products were made from sugar cane. He announced the St. Patrick's Day Parade and Easter egg hunt which would need volunteers. He said that the gay pride flag had been raised tonight and there would be a huge event next week at Bryant Park.

but some island operations (this is when the City is isolated from FPL) would have to be delayed. He reported that the 138kV switch did not open which would result in the power having to be shut off tonight in order to have it operational. He said that there would be benchmarking of electric utility performance and the street lights restoration was progressing well.

B. CONSENT AGENDA:

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Amoroso to approve the Consent Agenda.

- 1) Agreement with TEAMWORKnet, Inc. for electrical engineering design and protective relay modeling services
- 2) Agreement with E.C. Fennell, P.A. for electrical engineering design and electric system modeling services
- 3) Approval of Agreement with Utility Financial Solutions, LLC for additional rate consulting services
- 4) (Moved to New Business 2) Ratification of Emergency Purchase from Service Electric Company (SEC)
- 5) Approval of current fiscal year purchases exceeding \$25,000 to A.R.E. Utility Construction, Inc.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Triolo, Vice Mayor Maxwell and Commissioners Hardy, Amoroso and Robinson. NAYS: None.

C. PUBLIC HEARING:

There were no Lake Worth Electric Utility Public Hearing items on the agenda.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1) Participation in the Florida Municipal Power Agency (FMPA) Solar Energy Project

Action: Motion made by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Amoroso to approve participation in the Florida Municipal Power Agency Solar Energy Project.

Ed Liberty, Electric Utility Director, reported that the FMPA began this project as a public effort to get contractors to developers and would provide administrative service to the project. He said that the seller would be NextEra and there will be multiple buyers; the City would own a unit of renewable energy credit with a contract price for the 20-year term beginning in June 2020 of approximately four cents a kilowatt hour.

Comments/requests summary:

1. Commissioner Amoroso asked about the cost for the life of the project.

Mr. Liberty replied that the price would remain the same.

2. Commissioner Hardy asked about the cost savings per kilowatt hour and what would keep the City from purchasing more. He also asked how likely it would be to have this in the future.

Mr. Liberty replied that as the technology would advance, the City might be able to purchase more in the future and that the cost was about \$1.70 a megawatt hour which was well below the residential rate and the savings would range from half to one and a half million dollars per year based on the current energy costs.

3. Mayor Triolo asked about the OUC contract.

Mr. Liberty responded that some of the City's power would be supplied by solar power which would provide five to six percent of our renewable energy. He presented particulars of the project such as the participants and the requested entitlements. He also spoke about the tax credits involved.

Jacob Williams, FMPA General Manager and CEO, explained that the tax credit would sunset if construction had not begun by 2020 so time was short by which to do an additional project.

Mayor Triolo announced that this was the time for public comment.

Peggy Fisher said that the Electric Utility Advisory Board (EUAB) had discussed the issue and had received the most recent documents. She read Lisa Maxwell's comments which read that the EUAB had not read nor reviewed this document.

Mr. Liberty commented that the EUAB reviewed previous documents; the documents had only minor changes and updates would be given to the EUAB.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Triolo, Vice Mayor Maxwell and Commissioners Hardy, Amoroso and Robinson. NAYS: None.

2) (moved from Item 4 on the LWEU Consent Agenda) Ratification of Emergency Purchase from Service Electric Company (SEC)

Action: NO MOTION NOR SECOND was made to approve the Ratification of Emergency Purchase from Service Electric Company (SEC).

Comments/requests summary:

1. Commissioner Amoroso requested that Mr. Liberty would speak about any items involving more than a million dollars and asked what the emergency had been.

Mr. Liberty replied that the GT 2 failed and required an emergency repair. He said an emergency crew required to work on hot lines avoiding island ops; the result was that the number of island ops was reduced and the City saved fuel dollars. He reported that the contractors were nationally known experts and the City was not able to complete the work.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Triolo, Vice Mayor Maxwell and Commissioners Hardy, Amoroso and Robinson. NAYS: None.

13. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

City Attorney Torcivia did not provide a report.

14. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:


City Manager Bornstein did not provide a report.

15. ADJOURNMENT:


Action: Motion made by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Amoroso to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 PM.

Vote: Voice vote showed: AYES: Mayor Triolo, Vice Mayor Maxwell and Commissioners Hardy, Amoroso and Robinson. NAYS: None.

ATTEST:


Deborah M. Andrea, City Clerk




Pam Triolo, Mayor

Minutes Approved: April 3, 2018

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