



Town Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, July 08, 2025 at 7:00 PM

706 NE Cholakka BLVD

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jiana Williams called the meeting to order 7:03 pm

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO FLAG

ROLL CALL

Mayor Jiana Williams present

Mayor Pro-Tem Kevin Putansu absent with notice

Commissioner David Massey present

Commissioner Judy Galloway present

Commissioner Ken Wessberg present

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made and seconded (Wessberg/Massey) to approve the consent agenda as submitted; passed 4-0

1. Agenda Approval
2. Regular Commission Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2025

GUESTS

3. Micanopy Brand Library Update

Micanopy Librarian Wendy Schneider gave a verbal report and provided handouts.

4. Willie Mae Stokes Community Center

Bishop Christopher Stokes, Willie Mae Stokes Community Center, gave a verbal report.

CITIZEN'S FORUM

Public Comment (public comments limited to 2 minutes per speaker, please)

Patty Crass, the parade was fun as always. Welcome to our new physicians.

Gail Davis, Gazebo looks great; the dedication was great. She questioned the handicap access of the gazebo. Commissioner Wessberg responded that we couldn't do the handicap access as they used the original foundation.

Mallory Pfaffly, Hello, they are practitioners and neighbors.

Bud DesForges, Great parade. He missed the dedication as they were wrapping up the cookie sales, which earned \$190.00 for the museum.

Wendy Schneider stated that our library assistant, Cindy, is retiring, and we have a new library assistant.

Stoney Slaton, Good evening. The parade was nice. Good fireworks. He discussed several public safety items, including a street limit sign on Chokolka Blvd, a 20 mph speed limit between town hall and Tahota Ave, and another sign near Magnolia Ave on Chokolka Blvd. Repaint the white line on Seminary Ave and Co Rd 234 for safety.

Administrator Samario responded to Mr. Slaton that we have adequate speed limit signs. We are looking at a canopy sign instead. Maybe people will pay attention before hurting their car. Tree canopy signs will show the height of upcoming limbs.

Gail Davis was impressed that the Sheriff showed up for the parade as well as the supervisor of elections.

Preston Crider questioned the congested area/pedestrian crossing the road signs.

TOWN COMMISSION LIAISON REPORTS

5. Alachua County League of Cities

Florida League of Cities conference is in August 2025.

6. Alachua County Children's Trust

Mayor Willaims gave a verbal report.

7. Thrasher Warehouse Board

Bud DesForges, President, Thrasher Warehouse Board, stated that their new commissioner liaison missed their last meeting. Chuckles. They had a good work day before July 4, 2025.

CITIZEN BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

8. Planning and Historic Preservation Board

Administrator Samario stated that we do not have a formal report.

July 15, 2025 - 6:00 pm, Planning & Historic Preservation Board Special Called Meeting - Concept review meeting, Micanopy Area Cooperative School.

9. Tree Committee

The Tree Committee, Paul Cohen, has not met recently in Gary Hunt's absence.

TOWN ATTORNEY REPORT

Nothing to report

REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS AND REPORTS

Administrator Samario explained that the reports are not ready this month and will be available next month.

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

10. Voting Delegate for Florida League of Cities Annual Conference

Administrator Samario stated the need to have a commissioner voting delegate for the Annual conference of the Florida League of Cities.

Mayor Williams will be honored to take on this task.

11. Upcoming Meetings & Events

July 22, 2025, 6:00 pm - Budget Workshop

August 4, 2025, 6:00 pm - Community Potluck

August 12, 2025, 6:00 pm- Budget Workshop

Upcoming meetings - informational

12. Upcoming Chlorine Burn

Upcoming Chlorine Burn - Flyer attached.

NEW BUSINESS

13. Joint Water & Policy Board Appointee

Sara Samario discussed the need to appoint a commissioner to the Joint Water & Policy Board.

Commissioner David Massey was nominated for this task.

14. Location Release Agreement

Administrator Samario presented a filmmaker's location agreement to film in Micanopy from November 1 to 21, 2025, with a reshoot on December 15, 2025. The contract expires on December 15, 2025. For further information, please refer to the agreement in the meeting packet.

Discussion ensued at length.

Motion made and seconded (Wessberg/Massey) to accept the location agreement with the town receiving recognition in the credits; passed 4-0

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

15. Proposed Facility Use Policy

Administrator Samario presented the facilities use agreement at Town Hall.

Discussion ensued at length.

Motion made and seconded (Massey/Galloway) to accept the agreement as written; passed 4-0

TOWN COMMISSIONER REPORTS

16. Commissioner (Seat 1) Judy Galloway

Commissioner Judy Galloway, Good evening. She is so happy that everyone is here and hopes that everyone enjoyed the parade. She encourages everyone to be prepared for hurricane season and offers prayers for those in Texas affected by the flooding. Bless you and thank you.

Thank you to Commissioner Wessberg for the outstanding job on the gazebo.

17. Commissioner (Seat 3) David Massey

Commissioner David Massey stated that the parade was grand. The dedication was great. He's happy to be here.

18. Commissioner (Seat 4) Kevin Putansu

Absent with notice.

19. Commissioner (Seat 5) Ken Wessberg

Thank you to Patty Polk, David Holton, and everyone who made July 4, 2025, a success.

As you know, we lost an advocate for Micanopy as Sandy Tyson passed away. He recommends placing a plaque in her honor on a bench near the gazebo. God bless everyone.

MAYOR (SEAT 2) JIANA WILLIAMS REPORT

Mayor Jiana Williams thanked everyone for being here.

We were approved for our State Appropriations for our water project. This will lower our cost to the project. Thank you to everyone for advocating for us. Thank you for trusting the process.

August 9, 2025, Willie Mae Stokes Community Center presents a back-to-school bash; free music, supplies, food, and bounce houses.

The Franklins have been a big part of the Haynes Memorial Cemetery.

Please be safe in all that you do.

ADJOURN

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Mayor Jiana Williams adjourned the meeting 8:35 pm