

CITY OF PAHOKEE



MINUTES

City Commission Regular Meeting

Tuesday, April 26, 2022, at 6:00 PM

Pahokee Commission Chambers
360 East Main Street
Pahokee, Florida 33476

CITY COMMISSION:

Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor
Clara Murvin, Vice Mayor
Derrick Boldin, Commissioner
Juan Gonzalez, Commissioner
Sara Perez, Commissioner

CITY STAFF:

Rodney Lucas, Interim City Manager
Jongelene Adams, Deputy City Manager
Tijauna Warner, City Clerk
Burnadette Norris-Weeks, Esq., City Attorney
Lynne Ladner, Interim Finance/Human Resource Director

[TENTATIVE: SUBJECT TO REVISION]

MINUTES

A. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Commissioner Derrick Boldin
Commissioner Juan Gonzalez
Vice Mayor Clara Murvin
Commissioner Sara Perez
Mayor Keith Babb

Interim City Manager Rodney Lucas

City Attorney Burnadette Norris-Weeks

City Clerk Tijauna Warner via phone

1. **Palm Beach County Commission on Ethics** - Christie Kelley (Executive Director) & Gina Levesque (Intake and Compliance Manager)
2. **Recognition of the City of Pahokee's 100th Anniversary** - Shwanda Barnette, Ambassador, Florida League of Cities

C. ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. Lucas requested adding a Supplemental Grant Agreement from FDOT regarding Barfield Highway extending the construction schedule from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 with the City Attorney completing a resolution after the vote. Mayor Babb suggested placing this item under 3(e).

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to add Supplemental Grant Agreement to item 3(e),
Seconded by Commissioner Boldin. Motion Passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Vice Mayor Murvin,
Commissioner Perez, Mayor Babb

Mayor Babb requested amending the agenda to add Mr. J. Mann (JPDT) to give an update on the Marina Restaurant's status.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to amend the agenda to add Mr. J. Mann to give an update on the Marina Restaurant, Seconded by Commissioner Boldin. Motion passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Vice Mayor Murvin,
Commissioner Perez, Mayor Babb

Mr. J. Mann gave a brief update on the Marina Restaurant. He advised just at the end of last month, he went to Tallahassee and the agreement was approved by the State. Mr. Mann advised they're now in the process of hopefully bringing Muck Tavern to the City of Pahokee this summer and doing everything in their power to get vendors out here to bring the Tavern to the top. He invited everyone to their grand opening which will be coming next month or around the 4th of July. Mr. Mann thanked everyone for their support.

1. **FY 2019-2020 Annual Audit Report**

Mr. Roderick Harvey (HTC) presented the FY 2019 - 2020 Annual Audit Report through PowerPoint and a discussion ensued in reference to the City's financial status and upcoming audits.

D. CITIZEN COMMENTS/PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS – All Items on Agenda (3 Minutes)

Mr. Carl Morrison (resident) thanked Commissioner Murvin for being on the right track in reference to city employees' salaries and advised that everyone who works for the City of Pahokee will make at least \$15 per hour. He advised it should be a priority to find coverings for all the lawnmowers to help protect the employees. Mr. Morrison requested the Commission to set up quarterly Town Hall Meetings. He suggested a city ordinance stating no chicken or pig farms in this community.

E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None.

F. CONSENT AGENDA

None.

G. REGULAR AGENDA

None.

1. ORDINANCE(S) & PUBLIC HEARING:

None.

2. RESOLUTION(S):

Resolution 2022 - 12 Table.

A. RESOLUTION 2022 - 13 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH IMAGINE THAT PERFORMANCE, LLC EXHIBIT "A"; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ms. Norris-Weeks read Resolution 2022 - 13 into the record.

Mr. Lucas gave a brief explanation of Resolution 2022 - 13 and a discussion ensued regarding the Imagine That Performance, LLC Agreement, staff, and the City's Organization Chart.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to approve Resolution 2022 - 13, Seconded by Commissioner Boldin. Motion passed 4-1.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Boldin, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Perez, Mayor Babb

Voting Nay: Commissioner Gonzalez

B. RESOLUTION 2022 - 12 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH COASTAL NETWORK SOLUTIONS, LLC EXHIBIT "A"; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ms. Norris-Weeks read Resolution 2022 - 12 into the record.

Mr. Lucas explained the reasoning for Resolution 2022 - 12 and a discussion ensued regarding the Coastal Network Solution, LLC Agreement.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to approve Resolution 2022 - 12, Seconded by Commissioner Boldin. Motion passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Perez, Mayor Babb

C. RESOLUTION 2022 - 14 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENT NO. 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,884,832.00 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021–2022, SET FORTH IN COMPOSITE EXHIBIT “A” ATTACHED HERETO; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ms. Norris-Weeks read Resolution 2022 - 14 into the record.

Mr. Lucas explained the reasoning for Resolution 2022 - 14 and a discussion ensued regarding funding allocations.

Motion made by Commissioner Boldin to approve the City's Re-organization Chart, Seconded by Vice Mayor Murvin. Motion passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Perez, Mayor Babb

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin, Seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez. Motion passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Perez, Mayor Babb

3. OTHER AGENDA ITEMS PRESENTATION:

A. Inframark Infrastructure Management Services (Public-Private Partnership) - Robert Koncar

Mr. Robert Koncar provided information to the City Commission in reference to Inframark with a PowerPoint. Mr. Koncar explained Inframark has specialized in providing services to municipal governments and special districts in the State of Florida for over thirty-five years. He advised the Public Private Partnership model is a proven method for providing high quality municipal services. This approach allows a municipal government to contract for a specific Scope of Services provided by a private contractor, utilizing the contractor's own personnel.

B. Financial Literacy Month Proclamation

Mrs. Norris-Weeks read Financial Literacy Month Proclamation into the record.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to approve the Financial Literacy Month Proclamation, Seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez. Motion passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Perez, Mayor Babb

C. May 2022 Mental Health Awareness and Trauma-Informed Care Month Proclamation

Mrs. Norris-Weeks read May 2022 Mental Health Awareness and Trauma-Informed Care Month Proclamation into the read.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to approve the May 2022 Mental Health Awareness and Trauma-Informed Care Month Proclamation, Seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez. Motion passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Perez, Mayor Babb

Mayor Babb presented the May 2022 Mental Health Awareness and Trauma-Informed Care Month Proclamation to Ms. Annie Ifill (Healthy Glades).

Ms. Adams explained the Supplemental Grant Agreement from FDOT regarding Barfield Highway extending the construction schedule from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023 and a discussion ensued regarding the project.

Motion made by Commissioner Perez to approve the Supplemental Grant Agreement from FDOT regarding Barfield Highway extending the construction schedule from June 30, 2022 to June 30, 2023, Seconded by Commissioner Boldin. Motion passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Perez, Mayor Babb

H. REPORT OF THE MAYOR

Mayor Babb announced that we are accepting applications for the American Rescue Plan Act Advisory Committee and informed staff to go ahead and submit a plan to the State. He informed everyone that the City of Pahokee didn't receive any funding from legislation this year. Mayor Babb suggested allocating some of the ARPA funds to general funds to pay PBSO, so that can free up funding for housing repair and other services for the residents similar to how Belle Glade allocated their funds.

Commissioner Perez questioned funding for painting and a discussion ensued regarding different funding projects.

Mayor Babb announced several commissioners attended a celebration for Marsha Andrews in Belle Glade honoring her dedication to the Glades, that we are two weeks away from Cinco De Mayo, and we are having a Muck City Hall of Fame at the Dollyhand Cultural Arts Center on the 5th of June at 7 pm. He thanked staff and residents for coming out to participate in the Great American Cleanup. The City of Pahokee will be hosting a Job Fair on the 12th of May at the Eddie Rhode Gymnasium. Mayor Babb informed everyone that there have been at least two (2) developers looking into building a hotel where the Old City Hall Site. He advised the city is looking into a public-private partnership to renovate the Old High School as the New City Hall. Mayor Babb requested using some of the surtax funding to get a digital marquee for City Hall and get the second entryway sign. He reminded staff to continue looking into exploring annexation and if it's feasible.

I. REPORT OF THE CITY MANAGER

Mr. Lucas announced the Strategic Planning Retreat on May 13th at the marina and inquired if the Mayor and Commissioners were available. Also, their availability for May 31st for Board Development with Major General Nixon to come back down and a discussion ensued regarding the events.

Mr. Lucas announced he looking into a summer internship program partnering with CareerSource.

Ms. Adams announced a Financial Literacy Workshop on the 29th from 6 pm to 7 pm in the Senior Room at Parks & Recreation. The Western Cities Athletic League is having their banquet on April 30th from 12 pm to 2 pm in Everglades Prep Cafeteria.

J. REPORT OF THE CITY ATTORNEY

Mrs. Norris-Weeks gave a brief overview of the draft ordinance provided to the Commission about the rules and procedures at the commission meeting. Discussion ensued regarding the changes/amendments to the rules and procedures.

K. NEW BUSINESS:

None.

L. OLD BUSINESS:

None.

M. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None.

N. ADJOURN (BY MOTION AND APPROVAL OF MAJORITY PRESENT)

Motion made by Commissioner Perez to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Vice Mayor Murvin. Motion passed unanimously.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Perez, Mayor Babb

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:28 p.m.

Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: Tijauna Warner, City Clerk