

CITY OF PAHOKEE



MINUTES

City Commission Regular Meeting
Tuesday, July 25, 2023, 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 D. Lucas, City Manager
Jongelene Adams, Deputy City Manager
Tijauna Warner, City Clerk
Burnadette Norris-Weeks, Esq., City Attorney
Joseph R. Martin, Interim Director of Finance

[TENTATIVE: SUBJECT TO REVISION]

MINUTES

A. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Babb at 6:06 PM.

B. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Vice Mayor Murvin led the Invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.
Vice Mayor Clara Murvin
Commissioner Derrick Boldin
Commissioner Juan Gonzalez
Commissioner Sara Perez
Rodney D. Lucas, City Manager
Burnadette Norris-Weeks, City Attorney
Tijauna Warner, City Clerk

D. ADDITIONS OF EMERGENCY BASIS FROM CITY MANAGER, DELETIONS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

Mr. Lucas requested moving Item I(I) to the beginning of the Section I.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to approve the agenda with the amendment of moving Item I(I) to the beginning of Section I, Seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez. Mayor Babb called for questions. Motion passed unanimously.

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

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS / PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS / PRESENTATIONS / PROCLAMATIONS

(This section of the agenda allows for comments from the public to speak. Each speaker will be given a total of three (3) minutes to comment. A public comment card should be completed and returned to the City Clerk. When you are called to speak, please go to the podium or unmute your device, and prior to addressing the Commission, state your name and address for the record)

Mr. James Scott (*resident*) expressed concerns with a statement made by Ms. Adams.

Ms. Vaughn Jones (*resident yield time to Mr. Love*).

Mr. Robert Love (*non-resident*) gave thanks to everyone that provided support to the process of giving senior citizens funding and expressed concerns with Mr. Lucas conduct and responses.

Ms. Irma Shannon (*resident yield time to Mr. Love*).

Ms. Shelia Williams (*resident yield time to Mr. Love*) expressed concerns with a tree that needs cutting.

Ms. JoAnn Culberson (*resident yield time to Mr. Love*).

1. KidsFit Jamathon Day Proclamation

Ms. Norris-Weeks read KidsFit Jamathon Day Proclamation into the records.

Motion made by Commissioner Perez to approve KidsFit Jamathon Day Proclamation, Seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez. Mayor Babb called for questions. Commission Perez inquired if an invitation was received by anyone. Commission Gonzalez responded yes. Motion passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Commissioner Perez

2. Business of the Month - Healthier Glades (Ms. Annie Ifill)

Ms. Norris-Weeks read Business of the Month Certificate into the record.

Motion made by Commissioner Perez, Seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez. Mayor Babb called for questions. Motion passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Commissioner Perez

Commissioner Boldin presented Ms. Annie Ifill (Healthier Glades) with June Business of the Month.

F. CONSENT AGENDA

1. June 27, 2023 City Commission Meeting Minutes

2. RESOLUTION 2023 - 34 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE CITY CLERK APPOINTMENT OF NYLENE CLARKE AS THE DEPUTY CLERK.

3. RESOLUTION 2023 - 36 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE POLLING LOCATION AGREEMENT FORM BETWEEN PALM BEACH COUNTY SUPERVISOR OF ELECTIONS AND THE CITY OF PAHOKEE.

4. RESOLUTION 2023 - 37 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN REBEL RECOVERY FLORIDA INC AND THE CITY OF PAHOKEE FOR MOBILE HEALTH SUPPORT SERVICES; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion made by Commissioner Perez to approve Consent Agenda Items, Seconded by Commissioner Boldin. Mayor Babb called for questions. Motion passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Commissioner Perez

G. OLD BUSINESS (*discussion of existing activities or previously held events, if any*)

None.

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND/OR ORDINANCES

1. ORDINANCE 2023 - 6 (first reading) AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, SETTING THE CITY OF PAHOKEE'S MUNICIPAL ELECTION FOR MARCH 19, 2024 TO BE HELD CONCURRENTLY WITH THE STATE OF FLORIDA'S PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE PRIMARY ELECTION; SETTING QUALIFYING DATES; PROVIDING FOR REPRESENTATIONS AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mrs. Norris-Weeks read Ordinance 2023 - 06 into the record.

Public Hearing Opens 6:48pm

Mr. Love is not in favor of Ordinance 2023 - 06.

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Public Hearing Closed 6:51pm

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to approve Ordinance 2023 - 06, Seconded by Commissioner Boldin. Mayor Babb called for questions. Motion passed unanimously. Voting Yea: Mayor Babb, Vice Mayor Murvin, Commissioner Boldin, Commissioner Gonzalez, Commissioner Perez

I. RESOLUTION(S)

- I. RESOLUTION 2023 - 45 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING TOM KRIPS CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR EMERGENCY REPAIR SERVICES PERTAINING TO MARINA DOCKS D, E AND F PURSUANT TO A CERTAIN CONSENT ORDER AND TEMPORARY USE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION, THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INTERNAL IMPROVEMENT TRUST FUND OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA AND THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA; ACCEPTING THE REPAIR QUOTE ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A"; AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE NECESSARY ACTION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT IN A CONTRACT FORM ACCEPTABLE TO THE CITY ATTORNEY; PROVIDING FOR ADOPTION OF REPRESENTATIONS; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE (*moved up on the agenda*).

Mrs. Norris-Weeks read Resolution 2023 - 45 into the record.

Mr. Lucas gave a brief explanation of Resolution 2023 - 45.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to approve Resolution 2023 - 45, Seconded by Commissioner Boldin. Mayor Babb called for questions. A discussion ensued.

Motion passed 3-2.

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

Voting Nay: Commissioner Gonzalez, Commissioner Perez

- A. RESOLUTION 2023 - 35 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, SETTING THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 PURSUANT TO SECTION 200.065, FLORIDA STATUTES, TOGETHER WITH A ROLLED-BACK RATE; ESTABLISHING THE DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSED MILLAGE RATE AND THE TENTATIVE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024; PROVIDING FOR DIRECTIONS TO THE CITY CLERK; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mrs. Norris-Weeks read Resolution 2023 - 35 into the record.

Mr. Lucas gave a brief explanation of Resolution 2023 - 35.

Motion made by Commissioner Boldin, Seconded by Vice Mayor Murvin. Mayor Babb called for questions. Motion passed unanimously.

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

- B. RESOLUTION 2023 - 38 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING A CITY OF PAHOKEE FACILITY EVENT SPACE RENTAL APPLICATION AND RATES FOR FOR MARINA AND CITY FACILITY RENTALS, ATTACHED HERETO AS EXHIBIT "A"; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mrs. Norris-Weeks read Resolution 2023 - 38 into the record.

Mr. Lucas gave a brief explanation of Resolution 2023 - 38.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to amend Resolution 2023 - 38 to included add more payment options, repast section deposit \$150, residential \$150, \$25 application fee and four (4) hours with an hour before and an hour post, and extenuating circumstance with the City Manager's discretion. Seconded by Commissioner Boldin. Mayor Babb called for questions. A discussion ensued. Motion passed unanimously.

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

- C. RESOLUTION 2023 - 39 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A PER DIEM TRAVEL EXPENSE POLICY PURSUANT TO THE U.S. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (GSA) RATES FOR TRANSPORTATION AND MEALS FOR CITY OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES; PROVIDING FOR AUTHORIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mrs. Norris-Weeks read Resolution 2023 - 39 into the record.

Mr. Lucas gave a brief explanation of Resolution 2023 - 39.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Murvin to approve Resolution 2023 - 39, Seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez. Mayor Babb called for questions. A discussion ensued. Motion amended to Table Resolution 2023 - 39. Motion passed unanimously.

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

- D. RESOLUTION 40 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING CHANGE ORDER NO. 23 TO THE CONTRACT WITH ROSSO SITE DEVELOPMENT, INC. PERTAINING TO A TIME EXTENTION FOR THE BARFIELD HIGHWAY RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, AS SET FORTH IN EXHIBIT"A"; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mrs. Norris-Weeks read Resolution 2023 - 40 into the record.

Mr. Lucas gave a brief explanation of Resolution 2023 - 40.

Motion made by Commissioner Boldin to approve Resolution 2023 - 40, Seconded by Vice Mayor Murvin. Mayor Babb called for questions. A discussion ensued. Motion passed 3-2.

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

Voting Nay: Commissioner Gonzalez, Commissioner Perez

- E. RESOLUTION 2023 - 41 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A GRANT AGREEMENT BETWEEN A QUALIFIED APPLICANT AND THE CITY OF PAHOKEE FOR THE ARPA NOT-FOR-PROFIT SUBRECIPIENT GRANT PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mrs. Norris-Weeks read Resolution 2023 - 41 into the record.

Mr. Lucas gave a brief explanation of Resolution 2023 - 41.

Motion made by Commissioner Gonzalez to approve Resolution 2023 - 41, Seconded by Commissioner Perez. Mayor Babb called for questions. A discussion ensued. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Voting Nay: Commissioner Perez

Voting Abstaining: Commissioner Boldin

- F. RESOLUTION 2023 - 42 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN QUALIFIED APPLICANTS AND THE CITY OF PAHOKEE FOR THE CITY'S MINOR HOME REPAIR PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mrs. Norris-Weeks read Resolution 2023 - 42 into the record.

Mr. Lucas gave a brief explanation of Resolution 2023 - 42.

Motion made by Commissioner Perez to approved Resolution 2023 - 42, Seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez. Mayor Babb called for questions. A discussion ensued. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Commissioner Gonzalez, Commissioner Perez

- G. RESOLUTION 2023 - 43 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN QUALIFIED APPLICANTS AND THE CITY OF PAHOKEE FOR THE CITY'S SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mrs. Norris-Weeks read Resolution 2023 - 43 into the record.

Mr. Lucas gave a brief explanation of Resolution 2023 - 43.

Motion made by Commissioner Boldin to approve Resolution 2023 -43, Seconded by Commissioner Perez. Mayor Babb called for questions. A discussion ensued. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Commissioner Gonzalez, Commissioner Perez

- H. RESOLUTION 2023 - 44 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS BETWEEN QUALIFIED APPLICANTS AND THE CITY OF PAHOKEE FOR THE COVID-19 RESIDENTIAL

UTILITIES AND RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Mrs. Norris-Weeks read Resolution 2023 - 44 into the record.

Mr. Lucas gave a brief explanation of Resolution 2023 - 44.

Motion made by Commissioner Perez to approve Resolution 2023 - 41, Seconded by Commissioner Boldin. Mayor Babb called for questions. A discussion ensued.

Motion passed unanimously.

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

J. NEW BUSINESS (*presentation by city manager of activity or upcoming event, if any*)

1. Discussion and direction on the City Manager's Evaluation and Contract

Mr. Lucas gave a brief overview of his evaluation, accomplishments, and corrective actions.

Mayor Babb advised the commission has to comply with their ordinance in adjourn no later than ten o'clock.

Mrs. Norris-Weeks advised unfinished business will go on the next agenda as old business.

Commissioner Gonzalez exit meeting at 10:01 PM

Motion made by Commissioner Boldin to adjourn meeting due to time restrains, Seconded by Commissioner Perez. Mayor Babb called for questions. Motion passed unanimously.

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

Absent: Commissioner Gonzalez

All other business will be discussed at the next meeting under old business, Mayor Babb adjourned the meeting at 10:04 PM.

Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST: Tijauna Warner, City Clerk