



**CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE  
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, October 12, 2021**

Pursuant to due notice the regularly scheduled Commission meeting was held in the Commission Chambers at 360 East Main Street, Pahokee, Palm Beach County, Florida on October 12, 2021.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Babb at 6:00 p.m.

Official attendance was recorded as follows:

<b><u>Roll Call:</u></b>	Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.	Present
	Vice-Mayor Regina Bohlen	Present
	Commissioner Juan Gonzalez	Present
	Commissioner Clara M. Murvin	Present
	Commissioner Sara Perez	Present
	City Manager Greg Thompson	Present
	City Attorney Gary Brandenburg	Present
	Sergeant At Arms Lt. Mugridge	Present
	City Clerk Tijuana Warner	Present

**Additions, Deletions, and Approval of Agenda Items:**

Mr. Brandenburg requested the addition of Resolution 2021-38 City Manager Contract be added under the Regular Agenda under section two.

Mr. Thompson requested the addition RFQ for Engineering Services Recommendation.

**Approval of Agenda with the addition of Resolution 2021-38.**

**Motion by Vice-Mayor Bohlen. Seconded by Commissioner Perez.**

**Motion carried 3-2.**

Commissioner Murvin and Mayor Babb announced that the Copy of the City Manager Contract was received at the start of the meeting. Commissioner Murvin requested time to thoroughly review the contract. Commissioner Gonzalez commented that the item should not be delayed for two weeks.

**Approval of Agenda with the addition of the RFQ for engineering Services Recommendation**

**Motion by Vice-Mayor Bohlen. Seconded by Commissioner Perez.**

**Motion carried 3-2.**

Commissioner Murvin requested a copy of the RFQ that was solicited for Engineering Services. She announced that she was absent at the August 11, 2021 Meeting where the RFQ was discussed. Discussion ensued regarding the previous engineering company.

**Acceptance of the Agenda with two additions.**

**Motion by Vice-Mayor Bohlen. Seconded by Commissioner Perez.**

**Motion carried 3-2.**

**Citizen Comments (Agenda Items Only):**

Sanquetta Cowan read Ordinance 88-5 Section 2.83 "Duties of City Attorney" for the record. She commented that the Contract for Interim City Manager Thompson had just been provided to the Commission at 6:00 p.m. on October 12, 2021. She explained that the residents of Pahokee did not have an opportunity to review the Contract. She read Ordinance 89-4 Section 2.91 "Qualifications of the City Manager" for the record. She

requested that Mayor Babb confirm with the Inspector General if Greg Thompson could serve as City Manager for the City of Pahokee and Vice-Mayor for the City of Clewiston.

Annie Core announced that she did not mention the political endeavors of Commissioner Murvin. She expressed condolences to all who have lost family members. Commissioner Murvin explained that she noticed her name was included in a social media post by Ms. Core.

**Public Service Announcements:** *(none)*

**Approval of Minutes:**

Attorney Brandenburg explained that a Court Reporter was retained to create Action Minutes. Mayor Babb questioned how much was paid to the Court Reporter. City Clerk Warner explained that she received authorization to hire a Court Reporter. She explained that the Court Reporter completed the Minutes of June 9, 2020-December 8, 2020 for \$1,000.00.

**Consent Agenda:**

1. June 9, 2020 City Commission Meeting
2. June 23, 2020 City Commission Meeting
3. June 30, 2020 Special Scheduled Meeting
4. July 28, 2020 City Commission Meeting
5. August 11, 2020 City Commission Meeting
6. August 25, 2020 City Commission Meeting
7. September 8, 2020 Special Scheduled Meeting
8. September 8, 2020 City Commission Meeting
9. September 22, 2020 Special Scheduled Meeting
10. September 22, 2020 City Commission Meeting
11. October 13, 2020 City Commission Meeting
12. October 27, 2020 City Commission Meeting
13. November 10, 2020 City Commission Meeting
14. December 8, 2020 City Commission Meeting
15. January 12, 2021 City Commission Meeting
16. January 26, 2021 City Commission Meeting
17. February 9, 2021 City Commission Meeting
18. March 23, 2021 City Commission Meeting
19. April 5, 2021 Special Schedule Meeting
20. April 13, 2021 City Commission Meeting
21. April 27, 2021 City Commission Meeting
22. May 17, 2021 Special Scheduled Meeting

**Approval of the Consent Agenda.**

**Motion by Vice Mayor Bohlen. Seconded by Commissioner Perez.**

**Motion carried 4-1.**

**Request to Reorder the Agenda to Present Lawn of the Month and Lights On After School.**

**Motion by Commissioner Murvin. Seconded by Vice-Mayor Bohlen.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**Proclamations**

**Lawn of the Month**

Mr. Thompson explained the purpose of the item. The City of Pahokee Commission presented the proclamation to the Folstons. Mrs. Folston thanked the Commission for recognizing them as the Lawn of the Month.

### **Lights On After School**

Attorney Brandenburg explained the purpose of the item; he read the proclamation for the record.

### **Acceptance of the Lights on After School Proclamation.**

**Motion by Vice Mayor Bohlen. Seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

### **Resolutions**

*Mr. Brandenburg read Resolution 2021--38 into the record and explained the purpose of the item.*

- 1. RESOLUTION 2021 – 38 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, RATIFYING THE APPOINTMENT OF GREG THOMPSON AS CITY MANAGER.**

He proceeded to read the Contract Line-by-Line. Discussion ensued regarding Compensation, Performance Review, Educational Criteria, Experience, Benefits, and Termination of Contract. Commissioner Murvin requested a copy of Mr. Thompsons Resume; Mr. Thompson agreed.

### **Approval of Resolution 2021-38.**

**Motion by Vice-Mayor Bohlen Seconded by Commissioner Perez.**

**Motion carried 3-2.**

### **Report of the City Manager:**

Mr. Thompson provided updates regarding the Barfield Highway Project, and read the State of the City for the record. Mr. Thompson announced that he would provide copies of the State of the City to the Commission.

### **Report of the City Attorney:**

Attorney Brandenburg had no report.

### **Old Business**

- 1. PAHOKEE HOUSING AUTHORITY – One (1) Applicant (Ronald Osborne)**

Per consensus, the Commission tabled the item to allow the submittal of additional applications.

### **New Business:**

- 1. RFQ for Engineering Services Recommendation.**

City Manager Thompson recommended Wantman Group, Inc (WGI) due to the responsiveness of their submittal.

### **Approval to move forward with an agreement with WGI.**

**Motioned by vice-Mayor Bohlen. Seconded by Commissioner Perez.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

- 2. CANCELLATION OF MARCH 8, 2022 CITY COMMISSION MEETING**

### **Approval of Cancellation of March 8, 2022 City Commission Meeting.**

**Motioned by Commissioner Perez. Seconded by Vice-Mayor Bohlen.**

**Motion carried unanimously.**

**City Commission Comments:**

Commissioner Murvin requested a copy of delayed invoices and credit card statements cited in the State of the City as presented by City Manager Thompson. City Manager Thompson agreed to provide the documents to the Commission.

Commissioner Perez congratulated Pahokee Middle/Senior High School 2020/2021 Resilient PBIS Model School Award Recipient.

**Approval of Staff preparing a proposal for the City to Run the Marina and Campground.**  
**Motioned by Commissioner Perez. Seconded by Commissioner Gonzalez.**  
**Motion carried unanimously.**

Vice-Mayor Bohlen announced the PBSO Fall Festival. She encouraged residents to contact West Tech regarding future enrollment. She announced that she received comments that the meetings were out of control; she suggested everyone be treated with respect.

Mayor Babb made comments regarding the professional ethics and decorum of the Commission and Attorney Brandenburg.

Commissioner Gonzalez suggested that Commissioner Murvin continuously tries to divide the Commission. He suggested Mayor Babb take control of the meetings.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Babb adjourns the meeting at 9:12 p.m.

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Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor

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ATTEST: Tijauna Warner, City Clerk