

**CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE
SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES
Thursday, November 5, 2014**

Pursuant to due notice the regularly scheduled Commission workshop meeting was held in the Commission Chambers at 360 E. Main St., Pahokee, Palm Beach County, Florida on November 5th, 2014.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Walkes at 5:42 p.m.

Official attendance was recorded as follows:

<u>Roll Call:</u>	Mayor Colin Walkes	Present
	City Commissioner Keith Babb	Present
	Commissioner Allie Biggs	Present
	Commissioner Felisia Hill	Present
	Vice Mayor Diane Walker	Present
	Interim City Manager Erica Washington	Present
	City Attorney Gary Brandenburg	Present
	Sergeant At Arms Lt. Luty	Absent
	City Clerk Anika Sinclair	Present

Topic:

New Health Insurance Rates

Mr. Russell Anderson, of R.M. Anderson & Co, discussed the New Health Insurance Rates. There are three (3) Humana options:

	FL 70 HMO 14 CPY OA PREMIER OV \$20/45 OPT GOLD Rx \$10/30/50/25%	FL 60 HMO 14 CPY OA PREMIER OV \$30/60 OPT 17 SILVER Rx \$100 DED \$10/45/75/25%	FL 50 HMO 14 CPY OA PREMIER OV \$30/75 OPT 21 SILVER Rx \$100 DED \$10/30/50/25%
PCP Office Visit	\$20	\$30	\$30
Specialist Office Visit	\$45	\$60	\$75
Mail Order Drug	2.5x Retail	2.5x Retail	2.5x Retail
Emergency Room	\$250	\$350	\$500
Walk-in Urgent Care	\$45 Concentra/\$100 Other	\$60 Concentra/\$100 Other	\$75 Concentra/\$100 Other
Individual Deductible	\$1000	\$2000	\$2000
Family Deductible	\$2000	\$4000	\$4000

Mr. Anderson advised under the new plans, all preventative care would be one hundred percent (100%) covered without a co pay or a deductible.

Approval for the City of Pahokee to change to Humana with the three (3) options plus Vitality Health

Motion by Commissioner Biggs. Second by Commissioner Hill.

Motion carried unanimously.

Appointment of Interim City Manager

City Attorney Brandenburg advised per the Mayor’s request, he contacted Mr. Michael Jackson. Mr. Jackson advised he is willing to undertake the responsibility as the Interim City Manager and he would be able to start today, November 5, 2014. Mr. Jackson will be out of the country Thursday, November 6, 2014 through Monday, November 17, 2014. Mr. Jackson’s minimum recompense for accepting the Interim City Manager position would be \$5,500 per month and he would like a City of Pahokee vehicle that he would drive, to do City responsibilities, and take home at night. Mr. Jackson advised he would serve as the Interim City Manager for a maximum of three (3) months and after the three (3) month period, there would have to be a renegotiation.

Mayor Walkes stated Interim City Manager Washington and Mr. Ivester advised that they are willing to take on the challenge of working together as the Interim City Manager and the Assistant Interim City Manager. He advised he would support staff moving forward with the position, based on the dollar amount associated with hiring Mr. Jackson. He advised his thought process pertains to the budget and keeping it in line with the balanced budget that was passed earlier.

City Attorney Brandenburg stated Mr. Ivester advised he would take the leading Interim City Manager position for \$2,000 per month and Interim City Manager Washington would like to receive \$1,200 for the Assistant Interim City Manager position. The total would be \$3,200 per month.

Commissioner Biggs stated she feels it is justifiable to give staff a chance to serve as the Interim City Manager.

Commissioner Hill expressed her concern regarding Mr. Ivester as Interim City Manager and the Port Mayaca Cemetery duties. She advised her choice would be the City Clerk Sinclair and Interim City Manager Washington as the Interim City Manager and the Assistant Interim City Manager.

Mr. Ivester advised the Cemetery is functioning and he would be fine with any decision the Commission makes regarding the Interim City Manager position.

City Attorney Brandenburg advised even if an external employee is hired for the position, the individual would still have to resort to Interim City Manager Washington, Mr. Ivester, and City Clerk Sinclair regarding the City’s procedures.

Approval to accept Arthur Ivester as Interim City Manager and Erica Washington as Assistant Interim City Manager.

Motion by Commissioner Biggs. Second by Vice Mayor Walker.

Motion carried unanimously.

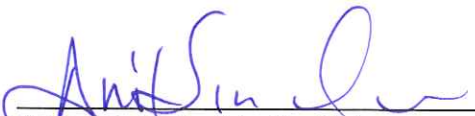
Commissioner Babb inquired about advertisement of the City Manager’s position.

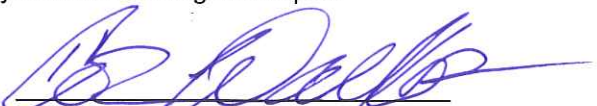
City Clerk Sinclair advised there has been advertisement in the Palm Beach Post. The position is posted on Monster.com, Indeed.com, CareerBuilders.com, Florida League of Cities, and Palm Beach County League of Cities.

Mayor Walkes encouraged the Commissioners to submit names of individuals for the Selection Committee, to Mrs. Washington or Mr. Ivester, if they have not already done so, in order to begin formulating the Selection Committee.

Commissioner Babb suggested that the appointment of the Selection Committee should be contingent upon the number of applications received.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Walkes adjourns the meeting at 6:26 p.m.


ATTEST: Anika Sinclair, City Clerk


Colin O. Walkes, Mayor