

**CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, February 14, 2017**

Pursuant to due notice the regularly scheduled Commission meeting was held in the Commission Chambers at 360 E. Main St., Pahokee, Palm Beach County, Florida on Tuesday, February 14, 2017.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Babb at 6:37p.m.

Official attendance was recorded as follows:

Roll Call:	Mayor Keith W. Babb, Jr.	Present
	Vice Mayor Felisia C. Hill	Present (via phone)
	Commissioner Nathaniel Holmes	Absent
	Commissioner Clara Murvin	Present
	Commissioner Diane L. Walker	Present (late 6:42pm)
	City Manager Chandler Williamson	Present
	City Attorney Gary Brandenburg	Present
	Sergeant At Arms Lt. Picciolo	Present
	City Clerk Tijauna Warner	Present

Additions, Deletions, and Approval of Agenda Items:

Mr. Chandler Williamson added Resolution 2017 – 08.

Approval of the Agenda with Amendments.

Motion by Commissioner Murvin. Seconded by Vice Mayor Hill.

Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comments (Agenda Items Only): (none)

Public Service Announcements:

Mrs. Margret Smart announced American Red Cross courses will be given in Belle Glade at the library on February 18, 2017 and February 25, 2017. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Commissioner Walker arrived at the meeting.

Approval of Minutes:

1. **January 24, 2017 Regular Scheduled Commission Meeting**

Approval of January 24, 2017 Regular Scheduled Commission Meeting Minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Murvin. Seconded by Commissioner Walker.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ordinances: (none)

Resolutions:

1. **RESOLUTION 2017 – 05 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, PALM BEACH COUNTY, FLORIDA, COMMENDING THE FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF CITY CLERKS FOR ITS 45TH ANNIVERSARY.**

Approval of Resolution 2017 - 05.

Motion by Commissioner Walker. Seconded by Commissioner Murvin.
Motion carried unanimously.

2. **RESOLUTION 2017 – 06 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENTS No. 1 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,941.00, TO THE 2016 - 2017 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET.**

Approval of Resolution 2017 - 06.
Motion by Commissioner Murvin. Seconded by Commissioner Walker.
Motion carried unanimously.

3. **RESOLUTION 2017 – 07 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, APPROVING BUDGET AMENDMENTS No. 2 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,300.00, TO THE 2016 - 2017 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET.**

Approval of Resolution 2017 - 07.
Motion by Commissioner Walker. Seconded by Commissioner Murvin.
Motion carried unanimously.

4. **RESOLUTION 2017 – 08 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF PAHOKEE AND THE SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY OF PALM BEACH COUNTY.**

Approval of Resolution 2017 - 08.
Motion by Commissioner Walker. Seconded by Commissioner Murvin.
Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearings: *(none)*

Proclamations: *(none)*

Presentations: *(none)*

Report of the Mayor:

Mayor Babb announced that the City of Pahokee hosted a Community Prayer Walk and Unity Festival Saturday which was an awesome event with excellent speakers and entertainers. We stopped on every block and prayed for everyone. We had a pastor travel three (3) hours to attend that event and the overall event was impressive. We hope to do this on an annually bases. We want to thank Florida Crystals (co-sponsor) and PBSO for protecting us on the walk. The Crime Stoppers Motorcycle Ride came through and it seems we served as a welcoming committee for them because of a delay. I want to thank the City Manager, City Staff, Commissioner Murvin, Commissioner Walker, & Vice Mayor Hill. I have a pin and a key that I want to present to Mr. Alvin Johnson for going above and beyond the job to assist everyone. Mr. Johnson is always just a call away with 28years of service here in the City of Pahokee.

Mayor Babb inquired about the status on the campground at the Marina, the RFP at the Marina, and staffing for the Marina.

Mr. Williamson advised the RFP is on the street and there's one or two interested parties in the Marina which is due March 30, 2017. We extended the deadline and are working with BDB for advertisement. We already have security cameras at the Marina, I don't think the campers are aware of that. I think we can put additional cameras in the Marina area. At one time the Marina had security and it was removed for some reason. I have found some quotes for security, but we are just not ready to move forward at this time. As far as the wifi to the campground, we've installed the equipment, but for some strange reason that wifi has continued to fail. We are mobbing in that direction for security and wifi. I don't think we need man parole because we are going to install a security gate.

Mayor Babb reminded Commissioner Walker to select a business of the month.

Approval of Cancelling March 14, 2017 City Commission Meeting.
Motion by Commissioner Walker. Seconded by Commissioner Murvin.
Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Babb presented roses, balloons, and candy to all the ladies in the City Commission Chambers.

Report of the City Manager:

Mr. Williamson announced the SWA Grant is great for the City of Pahokee to demolish some blighted buildings. The more of these buildings that we can get rid of here in the City of Pahokee, the more new building we can develop in the City. We are getting to that point that we need to start looking at the ordinances to clean up our City.

Report of the City Attorney:

Mr. Gary Brandenburg advised the Old Hospital Case is coming along, we have a mediation hearing tomorrow and we will report back after that.

Commissioner Walker requested the City Manager clear up the confusion in reference to Mr. Rolle. We need to get along in the community.

Mr. Williamson replied we have a very professional staff here in the City of Pahokee. We try our best to be honest and transparent and I think we've done that. Mr. Rolle came in last commission meeting and made some statements which I didn't respond to. WE have a code of ordinances which guide our business operations for anyone in the City of Pahokee. It also guides where a business can operate in the City of Pahokee. He can only operate that type of business in light industrial areas of the City. You can't operate/set up in the core of the City, but he can't go to that area in change a tire if needed. Light industrial is located in one area from Larrimore Road up to Main Street on State Market Road, you can't come into the core of the City. This Commission zoned this City this way for economic development. I will set up a meeting with Mr. Rolle for 8:00am tomorrow.

Commissioner Walker advised the meeting with the City Manager will be beneficial for Mr. Rolle and request that Mr. Rolle meet with the City Manager.

Mr. Rolle advised according to Ft. Lauderdale here's the map of the City of Pahokee.

Old Business: (none)

New Business:

1. Lieutenant Picciolo (PBSO Report)

Lt. Picciolo assured necessary measure has been taken in reference to recent criminal activities here in the City of Pahokee and we are going to continue to put those individuals in jail.

2. Appoint Board Members (Beautification Board)

Ms. Tijauna Warner (City Clerk) read into record:

De'Kayla Newkirk appointed by Mayor Babb regular member.
Anthony Jackson appointed by Commissioner Walker regular member.
Dewayne Payne appointed by Mayor Babb regular member.
Patricia Wallace appointed by Commissioner Walker regular member.
Brindel Brinson appointed by Commissioner Murvin regular member.
Bryan Myers appointed by Mayor Babb alternate member.

Approval of the Beautification Board Appointed Members.
Motion by Commissioner Murvin. Seconded by Commissioner Walker.
Motion carried unanimously.

Citizens Comments:

Mr. Carl Morrison Sr. (*resident*) concerned with the City Policy or Procedures on overgrown vegetation on ones property and security cameras at the Cemetery.

Mr. Williamson replied the camera will be up in functioning in the Cemetery in about two (2) weeks. The code of ordinances states that there's a specific lengths grass can actually grow before you get a citation.

Mr. Morrison replied the curve in front of King Bee is a danger and it's the City's responsibility.

Rev. Lonnie Spry (*resident*) concerned with the phone calls from individuals because of the statements I made at the last meeting. I have qualification on different boards and committees, therefore I will say it again. City Commission you hired a City Manager to do a job, please let him do it. He's well qualified to do the job and I will take you to Ft. Lauderdale to prove it. Also, I want to recognize the New Pastor for Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church Rev. Benny L. Everett, III.

Ms. Sanquetta Cowan (*resident*) shared a letter in regards to fifty (50) students taking a trip to Epcot and we wanted to know if you would sponsor some students for this trip. It's only \$62.00 per student. When would the Education Board be appointed?

Mayor Babb replied we will have the Education Board added to the agenda once we receive enough applicants for the board.

Commissioner Murvin advised she will sponsor two (2) kids.

Mr. Williamson replied he will seek out sponsors as well for the students.

Mr. Brandenburg responded I got ten (10) students I will sponsor.

Mr. Leonard Rolle (*resident*) advised I need my \$150.00 back because my company is not allowed period in the City of Pahokee. So, I will see you tomorrow morning at 9:00am.

City Commission Comments:

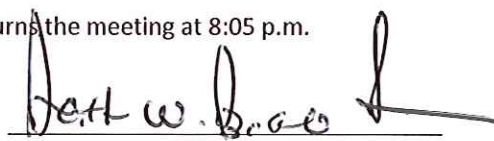
Commissioner Murvin announced that we are coming together and a lot of stuff we see on facebook is negative. We need to come together and stop using the N word because if you are talking about one, you are talking about all. The City didn't just get like this. You are degrading your City and everyone can see what you are posting. You can't expect business to come here when you are putting all this negative information out there. We are here together and we are not going anywhere. We are going to have to clean around our own front doors and follow our ordinances that are created to better our City. Happy Valentine's Day!

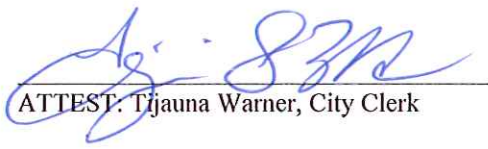
Commissioner Walker advised it's important for us to come together and work as a community. I wanted to make a request to the City Manager to update our website with all of the Commissioners looking the same.

Mayor Babb advised that was my choice on that.

Commissioner Walker advised I don't like the background of my picture. Happy Valentine's Day and enjoy! I would like to thank my family for being here and being supportive of me. I thank the community, some of you I see on a regular bases. I want to thank Ms. Lila, my caregiver. Our rehab center is top and we need to support our businesses.

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Babb adjourns the meeting at 8:05 p.m.


Keith W. Babb, Jr., Mayor


ATTEST: Tijauna Warner, City Clerk