CITY COMMISSION WORKSHOP MINUTES

January 21, 2020

Mayor LaCascia called the Workshop to order at 6:00 p.m.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Joe LaCascia.

Present: Mayor Joe LaCascia, Vice Mayor Don Kimsey, Commissioner Mike

Blethen, Commissioner Wayne Harper, City Attorney Tom Cloud and City

Manager Patricia Jackson

Agenda Review - City Commission Meeting - January 21, 2020

Mayor LaCascia stated the purpose of the Workshop is to discuss items being presented on the Regular Meeting Agenda and address any questions or concerns and ultimately be able to proceed in a more efficient manner at the Regular Meeting.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

Proposal - Grant Writer - CDBG

City Manager Jackson explained that Polk City has opted out of the County funds and applied for State Funding in an effort to get more funds. Polk City did appoint a Citizens Advisory Task Force (CATF) for this purpose. This CATF will make the final recommendation to the City Commission.

Melissa Fox, Fred Fox Enterprises spoke to provide additional clarity on the Grant Writer proposal.

Vice Mayor Kimsey asked does the medium income have anything to do with this.

Ms. Fox responded No.

City Manager Jackson clarified what needs to be done tonight.

Commissioner Harper stated we've had a representative from Fred Fox Enterprises at the Workshop and tonight we have Summit Consulting here for the Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Harper spoke in favor of Fred Fox Enterprises.

Vice Mayor Kimsey stated price was secondary.

City Attorney Cloud stated this was really no different than the Water Plant project.

Scott Modessit stated Summit Consulting would match the lowest bid and provided extensive details.

Mayor LaCascia and Vice Mayor Kimsey were not pleased with the comment about Summit matching the lowest bidder.

City Attorney Cloud discussed that the Commission is not obliged to accept any of the bids.

City Manager Jackson stated Polk City did advertise and two (2) sealed bids were received.

Purchase of Truck for Public Works

City Manager Jackson stated this purchase has nothing to do with the inmate van. We are going with the F250 instead of the F150.

Commissioner Carroll's stated this was a good deal for \$23,000 and does not come with the tool box on the bed of the truck.

Keith Prestage, Public Works Director recommends getting the fleet in order, then surplus the 2002 and 2003 trucks.

Planning Commission Appointments

City Manager Jackson advised that the Planning Commission needs two (2) alternates as Robert Baker will be moved from alternate to permanent member.

The appointments are as follows:

William Stefanski - January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021 (up-to-date)
Mike Denico - January 1, 2019 – December 31, 2021 (filling unexpired term)
Michael Ho-Shing – January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2022 (reappointment)
David Prins - January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2022 (reappointment)
Robert Baker - January 1, 2020 – December 31, 2022 (reappointment)

Mayor LaCascia addressed concerns with Michael HoShing's Code Enforcement violations and Special Magistrate ruling. Because there is a conflict, these issues are seen as an automatic disqualification from the Planning Commission as well as any other board. Requested legal direction from City Attorney Cloud.

City Attorney Cloud advised that Mr. HoShing would simply not be reappointed.

City Manager Jackson provided a thorough explanation on Mr. HoShing's issues. Therefore, it will be recommended during the Regular Meeting that Michael HoShing is not reappointed to the Planning Commission.

Contract with Odom Contracting for Street Paving, Parking Lot Paving and Parking Lot Overlay

City Manager Jackson discussed at the November meeting the City Commission approved paving projects to be done by Odom Contracting, as listed below:

- Hydrangea Avenue North and South \$50,338.50
- Bronson Community Center Parking Lot Paving \$96,398.40
- Library Parking Lot Paving Overlay \$12,510.00

Grand Total for Paving Projects = \$159,246.90

City Attorney Cloud clarified the terms of the Agreement for Piggy Backing off of Lake Alfred's contract.

Commissioner Harper questioned the measurements of the millings.

Keith Prestage provided clarification on the millings measurements.

Lengthy discussion ensued.

ADJOURNMENT – 7:00 pm

Patricia Jackson, City Manager

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