

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

December 20, 2021

Vice Mayor Don Kimsey called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pastor Lawlor, New Life Community Church gave the invocation.

Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance led by Vice Mayor Kimsey.

ROLL CALL – Assistant to the City Manager Sheandolen Dunn

Present: Vice Mayor Don Kimsey, Commissioner Micheal T. Blethen, Commissioner Wayne Harper, Commissioner Randy Carroll, City Attorney Thomas Cloud and City Manager Patricia Jackson

Absent: Mayor Joe LaCascia

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

May 8, 2021 (City Commission Workshop), September 2, 2021 (City Commission Workshop), October 12, 2021 (City Commission Workshop), November 15, 2021 (City Commission Meeting), November 18, 2021 (Special City Commission Meeting) minutes.

Approved by Voice Vote 4/0.

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

ORDER OF BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE 2021-06

An Ordinance of Polk City, Florida; amending an approved Planned Unit Development-X to permit a clubhouse and pool; adding a development phasing schedule to permit three phases of development; providing for conflicts, codification, severability and an effective date. **Second and Final Reading**

City Attorney Cloud read the Ordinance by title only. Vice Mayor Kimsey opened the Public Hearing; no one spoke for or against this Ordinance. Vice Mayor Kimsey closed the Public Hearing.

Vice Mayor Kimsey stated that nothing has changed since the First Reading of this Ordinance.

Motion by Commissioner Harper to approve Ordinance 2021-06 on Second and Final Reading; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Blethen.

No discussion or questions by Commission.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Harper–aye, Commissioner Carroll–aye, Commissioner Blethen–aye, Vice Mayor Kimsey-aye

Motion carried 4/0.

PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE 2021-07

An Ordinance of Polk City, Florida, amending the Polk City Code of Ordinances and the Unified Land Development Code of Polk City, Florida, including Article 7, Development Review Process and Article 8, Administration and Enforcement; to update the types of Comprehensive Plan Amendment review to include expedited state review, state coordinated review, and small scale; providing for applicability; providing for repeal of conflicting ordinances, providing for severability; providing an effective date. **Second and Final Reading**

City Attorney Cloud read the Ordinance by title only. Vice Mayor Kimsey opened the Public Hearing. No one spoke for or against this Ordinance. Vice Mayor Kimsey closed the Public Hearing.

No discussion from the City Commission or the Public.

Motion by Commissioner Blethen to approve Ordinance 2021-07 on Second and Final Reading; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Carroll.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Harper–aye, Commissioner Carroll–aye, Commissioner Blethen–aye, Vice Mayor Kimsey–aye

Motion carried 4/0.

PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE 2021-08 – An Ordinance of Polk City, Florida; amending the Polk City Code of Ordinances and the Unified Land Development Code of Polk City, Florida including Article 2, Regulations for Specific District, Article 3 Development Design and Improvement Standards and Article 7, Development Approval Process; to provide clarifications specific to the Green Swamp Area of Critical Concern and to provide for consistency with the Polk City Comprehensive Plan; Providing for Applicability; Providing for Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances; Providing for Severability; Providing for an Effective Date. **First Reading**

City Attorney Cloud read the Ordinance by title only. Vice Mayor Kimsey opened the Public Hearing.

Jennifer Codo-Salisbury (CFRPC) made a brief presentation on the purpose of the amendment to this Ordinance and was prepared to address any questions or concerns from the City Commission and the Public.

No questions or comments.

Motion by Commissioner Harper to approve Ordinance 2021-08 on First Reading; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Carroll.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Harper–aye, Commissioner Carroll–aye, Commissioner Blethen–aye, Vice Mayor Kimsey–aye

Motion carried 4/0.

Republic Services – Amendment Four to Solid Waste & Recycling Collection Franchise Agreement

Amendment Four will be a 5-year Contract with 5% increase annually.

Trey Richardson and Mary Boyer (Republic Services) have met with the City Commission to address the Contract for five (5) years with a five percent (5%) increase to the rates during the extension period. If approved, this extension will begin on January 1, 2022 and end on December 31, 2027.

No questions or comments.

Motion by Commissioner Carroll to approve the Republic Services Amendment Four to Solid Waste & Recycling Collection Franchise Agreement; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Harper.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Harper—aye, Commissioner Carroll—aye, Commissioner Blethen—aye, Vice Mayor Kimsey—aye

Motion carried 4/0.

Purchase of Commercial Slope Mower

This item was removed from the Agenda as more research needs to be completed.

PLANNING COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

City Manager Jackson discussed the Polk City's Planning Commission which has two members whose terms end December 31, 2021, they are Robert Baker and Antonio Thomas. Mr. Thomas has missed three consecutive meetings. Staff would like to recommend the following members be appointed for the term beginning January 1, 2022 and ending December 31, 2024:

- Robert Baker
- Eugene Gorski, who currently serves as Second Alternate and attends every meeting.
- Antonio Thomas to fill the unexpired term of Eugene Gorski as Second Alternate; term ending December 31, 2023

Edward Hanks has requested to be an alternate due to his work schedule. Staff recommended the following:

- William Fienga be appointed to fill the unexpired term of Edward Hanks ending December 31, 2022 (Mr. Fienga is currently First Alternate and attends meetings)
- Edward Hanks be appointed First Alternate to fill the unexpired term of William Fienga ending December 31, 2023

Polk City's Land Development Code requires that members of the Planning Commission must be a registered voter of Polk City, and a full-time resident of the city, owners or appointed employees of businesses within the city limits, or live within five miles of the city limits in unincorporated Polk County.

Motion by Commissioner Harper to approve the appointments of Robert Baker, Eugene Gorski, Antonio Thomas, William Fienga and Edward Hanks as recommended; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Blethen.

Motion carried by Voice Vote.

CITY MANAGER ITEMS

Will be taking some vacation time after Christmas. Wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

CITY ATTORNEY

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COMMISSIONER ITEMS

Commissioner Blethen – None

Commissioner Carroll – Merry Christmas

Commissioner Harper – Thanked everyone for coming and Merry Christmas

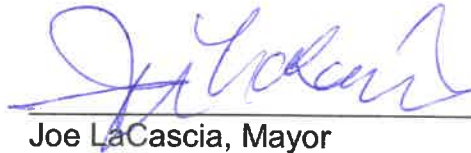
Vice Mayor Kimsey – Read a favorite quote

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT – 7:35 pm



Patricia Jackson, City Manager



Joe LaCascia, Mayor