

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

March 15, 2021

Mayor LaCascia called the Regular Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Pastor Walter Lawlor, New Life Community Church gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL – Assistant to the City Manager Sheandolen Dunn

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

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Harper to approve the February 15, 2021 City Commission Regular Meeting; this motion as seconded by Commissioner Blethen. **Unanimously approved by Voice Vote.**

PRESENTATION

Mayor LaCascia read the Proclamation for Water Conservation Month – April 2021. This proclamation was presented to Cindy Rodriguez, Government Affairs Regional Manager at SWFWMD.

PUBLIC COMMENT (Items NOT on the Agenda) - None

ORDER OF BUSINESS

RFQ for General Engineering Services

This item is Tabled until the April City Commission Meeting.

CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS - None

CITY MANAGER ITEMS

Introduction of New Staff Members – City Manager Jackson introduced Mikayla Osso, Librarian and Lenny Johnson, Dual Water Plant Operator.

Quotes for Citrus Hill Core and Main City Purchase supplies for project – These quotes are under the City Manager’s spending limit. Therefore, this information is for informational purposes only.....no City Commission approval necessary.

Grant for Cardinal Hill Dirt and Grit Removal – Polk City will be applying for a grant for this project. The grant will pay half and Polk City pays the other half.

Library Dedication Ceremony – Friday, April 9 at 10 am

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

Mayor LaCascia – discussed the “Legal” line item in the Budget – requested the bills for the PRWC items be separated out.

City Manager Jackson bringing the budget to the City Commission in April with all the exorbitant cost regarding legal services.

Vice Mayor Kimsey – Inquired about a Financial Advisor regarding investing funds.

City Manager Jackson stated this information would be acquired by the end of the week.

Commissioner Blethen - None

Commissioner Carroll – Inquired about some type of canopy for the park equipment.

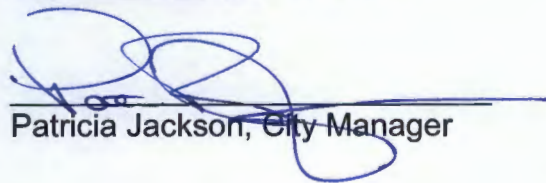
Keith Prestage stated he has been working on quotes for different types of canopies that would work best for the park equipment.

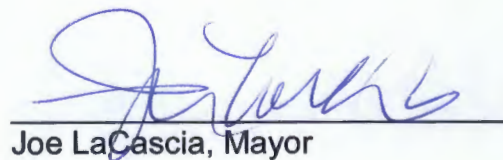
Commissioner Harper – Polk County will be receiving \$140 million in Stimulus money; of which Polk City will receive \$1 million. In an effort to help the Polk City water customers, he is recommending that Polk City pay each customer’s water bill, whatever is on the books at the time.

Mayor LaCascia is not fond of this idea.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT – 8:30 pm


Patricia Jackson, City Manager


Joe LaCascia, Mayor