

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

September 20, 2021

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

Pastor Walter Lawlor 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 Randy Carroll, City Attorney Thomas Cloud and City Manager Patricia Jackson

Absent: Mayor Joe LaCascia, Commissioner Wayne Harper

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Blethen to approve the August 16, 2021 (Regular Meeting) minutes; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Carroll. **Unanimously approved by Voice Vote.**

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS - None

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

ORDER OF BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE 2021-02 – An Ordinance of Polk City, Florida, amending the Polk City Comprehensive Plan, adding a Property Rights Element to ensure that private property rights are considered in local decision making consistent with Florida Statutes 163.3177(6); providing for transmission to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity for review and compliance; providing for severability; providing for conflict; and providing for an effective date. **First Reading**

City Attorney Cloud read the Ordinance by title only.

Dana Riddell (CFRPC) discussed the specifications of Ordinance 2021-02 and City Attorney Cloud clarified why this Ordinance is being done. This is a procedural device that certain discussions take place. There is language on the right to sue if any property owner's rights are taken away.

Vice Mayor Kimsey opened the Public Hearing; no one spoke for or against this Ordinance. Vice Mayor Kimsey closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Carroll to approve Ordinance 2021-02 on First Reading; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Blethen.

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

Motion carried 3/0.

PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE 2021-03 – An Ordinance of Polk City, Florida; amending the Polk City Code of Ordinances and the Unified Land Development Code of Polk City, Florida to remedy inconsistencies within the Planned Unit Development Zoning District; amending and updating Article 2, Section 2.04.02.16 Planned Unit Development District; amending Article 3, Section 3.12.03 Planned Unit Development (PUD) in the Green Swamp ACSC; and amending Article 7, Section 7.11.00 Planned Unit Development (PUD); providing for applicability; providing for repeal of conflicting ordinances, providing for severability; providing an effective date. **First Reading**

City Attorney Cloud read the Ordinance by title only.

Dana Riddell (CFRPC) discussed the specifications of Ordinance 2021-03. City Attorney Cloud clarified a specific update to this Ordinance is to change “Council” to “Commission”.

Vice Mayor Kimsey opened the Public Hearing; no one spoke for or against this Ordinance. Vice Mayor Kimsey closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Blethen to approve Ordinance 2021-03 on First Reading; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Carroll.

No further discussion or questions by Commission.

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

Motion carried 3/0.

Planning Advisory Services Agreement with Central Florida Regional Planning Council (CFRPC)

Jeff Schmucker (CFRPC) briefly discussed the services that Central Florida Regional Planning Council provides Polk City such as professional planning services for Comprehensive Plan Amendments, Rezoning, large project review, subdivision review, minor revisions to the Land Development Regulations, Comprehensive mapping services, update to the Capital Improvements Element and Plan, Grant writing and Website updates.

This Agreement has a fixed fee in the amount of \$30,000 for FY 2021-22, which is a \$5,000 increase from FY 2020-2021. The fees are to be paid in four (4) payments as listed: October 1, 2021 - \$7,500, January 1, 2022 - \$7,500, April 1, 2022 - \$7,500, July 1, 2022 - \$7,500.

Staff recommended approval of the Planning Advisory Services Agreement with Central Florida Regional Planning Council in the amount of \$30,000.

Motion by Commissioner Blethen to approve the Planning Advisory Services Agreement with Central Florida Regional Planning Council (CFRPC) in the amount of \$30,000; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Carroll.

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

Motion carried 3/0.

CITY MANAGER ITEMS

Water Supply Plan – Polk City has to update its plan every 5 years. This can be paid thru any of the Utility funds. This is an eligible expenditure of funds. Jeff Schmucher explained the Water Supply Plan includes.

Vice Mayor Kimsey would like to wait until all Commissioners are present to discuss this item. However, City Attorney Cloud stressed the importance of moving forward.

Motion by Commissioner Carroll to approve this water supply plan; this motion was seconded by Commissioner Blethen. **Motion carried unanimously by Voice Vote.**

Workshop for the American Rescue Plan Act Allocations – Need to schedule a Workshop to discuss how these funds can be spent.

Safe Haven Halloween – Friday, October 29, 2021 – 4:30 pm – 7:30 pm

Final Budget Hearing – Thursday, September 23, 2021 – 7 pm

CITY ATTORNEY

Provided a brief update on the PRWC Project Team 1.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

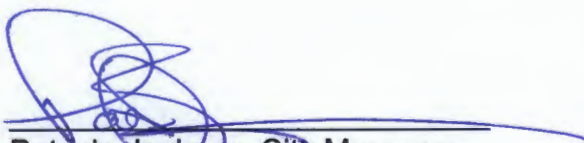
Commissioner Blethen – expressed concerns about the sound system in the Commission Chamber.

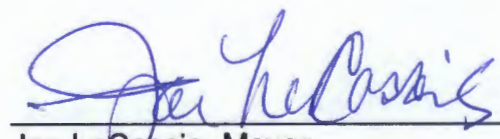
Commissioner Carroll – Thanked everyone for their condolences during the passing of Keith Prestage. City Manager Jackson stated Polk City would be making a donation to the Florida Baptist Children’s Home in honor of Keith Prestage.

Vice Mayor Kimsey – Thanked everyone for coming.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT – 7:32 pm


Patricia Jackson, City Manager


Joe LaCascia, Mayor