

CITY COMMISSION MINUTES

January 18, 2022

Mayor LaCascia 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 Mayor LaCascia.

ROLL CALL – Assistant to the City Manager Sheandolen Dunn

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

Absent: Commissioner Micheal T. Blethen

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

December 20, 2021 (City Commission Meeting) minutes. **Motion by Vice Mayor Kimsey and seconded by Commissioner Harper. Approved by Voice Vote 4/0.**

PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

Mayor LaCascia read the Proclamation for School Choice Week, January 23-29, 2022. This proclamation will be mailed to the National School Choice Week Office in Southlake, TX.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bobby Green, Executive Director of the Ridge League of Cities spoke briefly about his new appointment at the Ridge League and shared resources that are available to cities and encouraged cities to apply for some of the available funding.

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. **Second and Final Reading**

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

Mayor LaCascia indicated there are no changes since the First Reading of this Ordinance.

Jennifer Codo-Salisbury (CFRPC) was on hand to address any questions or concerns from the Commission or the Public.

Motion by Commissioner Harper to approve Ordinance 2021-02 on Second and Final Reading; this motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Kimsey.

No discussion or questions by Commission or the Public.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Harper–aye, Mayor LaCascia – aye, Commissioner Carroll–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 State 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 an effective date. **Second and Final Reading**

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

Mayor LaCascia indicated there are no changes since the First Reading of this Ordinance.

Motion by Commissioner Harper to approve Ordinance 2021-08 on Second and Final Reading; this motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Kimsey.

Jennifer Codo-Salisbury (CFRPC) was on hand to address any questions or concerns from the Commission or the Public.

No discussion or questions from the City Commission or the Public.

Motion by Commissioner Harper to approve Ordinance 2021-08 on Second and Final Reading; this motion was seconded by Vice Mayor Kimsey.

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

Motion carried 4/0.

CITY MANAGER ITEMS

Natural Gas Pipeline – Work will be done on 2/7. This information has been placed on the City’s website.

Municipal Election – April 5, 2022 for Districts 1 and 3. Qualifying begins 2/14 at 1:00 pm and ends on 2/17 at 1:00 pm.

Bid for Demolition – Bids are being accepted for the demolition project at 423 Marklen Loop.

City Hall Closed – Due to COVID, City Hall is still closed to the public until further notice.

CITY ATTORNEY

Documents were received on Saturday night at 9pm prior to January 19th PRWC meeting. City Attorney Cloud is urging a NO vote at this time until the cities have had ample time to review and discuss in order to make an informed decision.

COMMISSIONER ITEMS

Commissioner Carroll – Thanks staff for their work.

Commissioner Harper – The roadways are looking great. Thanked everyone for coming.

Vice Mayor Kimsey – None

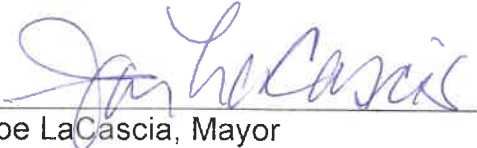
Mayor LaCascia – Thanked staff or their department reports. Great work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

ADJOURNMENT – 7:30 pm



Patricia Jackson, City Manager



Joe LaCascia, Mayor