

# In The News



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For an appointment with any City Commissioner or the City Manager, please call 863-984-1375 x 238  
City Commission Meetings are the **3rd Monday** each Month at 7:00 pm



**POLK CITY GOVERNMENT CENTER AND THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF VETERANS DAY ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2015 AND WILL RESUME NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2015. THE OFFICES AND LIBRARY WILL ALSO BE CLOSED FOR THANKSGIVING ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2015. THE OFFICES WILL RESUME NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2015.**

## *Recap of October 19, 2015 City Commission Meeting*

1. **PUBLIC HEARING** - Ordinance 2015-04 – Impact Fee Moratorium – 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading - Approved
2. Aswad Property Extension Request for submittal of Preliminary site plan - Approved
3. Resolution 2015-03 – Polk County Local Mitigation Strategy Plan - Approved
4. Ordinance 2015-05 – Amending FY 2015 Budget – 1<sup>st</sup> Reading - Approved

## *Polk City Library*

**Book Club** will resume on Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at 6:00 pm. This month's book is "*Beach Music*" by Pat Conroy. Please stop in and request a copy of the book.

**Homemade Bread Day** is Tuesday, November 17, 2015. The library will have a variety of homemade breads from 11:00 am – 4:00 pm.

**Story Time for preschoolers** continues on Thursdays at 11:00 am.

The Teen Read Month drawing was held October 30<sup>th</sup> for the tablet. The winner was **Cheyenne Raney**. Congratulations Cheyenne.

We are collecting candy for our Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 5. If anyone would like to donate bags of individually wrapped candy that the kids can throw out form the float, we would certainly appreciate the donation.

## *Welcome to Aquarina Waterworks, Inc.*



Aquarina Waterworks, Inc. was formed to meet the particular management and operational needs of both privately owned and municipal water and wastewater systems. With more than twenty years of experience in the utility industry, our team is well versed in addressing any utility issues.

The Polk City team is comprised of four individuals: **Kevin Burge**, a double "A" operator with an additional license for distribution, has 12 years of management experience in county municipal systems and more than 25 years of experience in private utilities. Kevin is a key consultant for issues with permitting, compliance, and operations. **Keith Burge** has more than 25 years' experience in private utilities, an experienced utility director with his own utility, and has served on the Governor's Committee on Investor Owned Water and Wastewater Utility Systems. Keith is the key consultant for regulatory, legal, and financial planning. The maintenance team consist of two experienced and invaluable members: **Steven Sanchez**, Wastewater Operator-In-Training and Lift Station Technician, and **Charles Sharp**, Distribution System Technician and Water Operator-In-Training. Our mission is to provide the highest quality water and wastewater operations service to Polk City.

## Upcoming Events In Polk City

COMING SOON...

POLK CITY AND HARVEST MEAT MARKETS PRESENTS

# SWAMP-LAND MUSIC FESTIVAL



SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2015

10:00 AM - 7:30 PM

FREEDOM PARK

7750 BERKLEY ROAD

**FREE ADMISSION**

### Featured Artists

Hoyt Hughes and The Hoyt Hughes Band  
Freedom Reign  
The Nathan Baldwin Band

Spend the day listening to **LIVE MUSIC**...Country, Blue Grass, Gospel, and Rock. Enjoy Food, Crafts, and Exhibits!!!  
**Bring chairs or blankets** and join us for a fantastic day of family entertainment!

**Our Sponsors:** Harvest Meat Market, House of Treasures, Nancy Walls Tax Accounting, Charles R. Wilson Realty, LLC, and the City of Polk City

## Polk City's 2015 Christmas Parade



*Want to be in the Parade? Here's how...complete and submit an application*

*Visit our website: <http://www.mypolkcity.org>*

*or call Kelly Downing at 863-984-1375, ext. 231 for more information*

## Around Polk County

- **Festival of Wreaths, Opening Night November 20, 7pm to 9 p.m.**

Take in the sights and sounds of the season and enjoy the Fifth Annual Festival of Wreaths. Polk County History Center is located at 100 East Main Street in Bartow. Open Tuesday through Saturday, 9 am – 5 pm. Please visit [www.polkhistorycenter.org](http://www.polkhistorycenter.org) and click on the Festival of Wreaths icon or call 863-534-4386 for more information.

- **Curators of Curiosity**

Uncover kid-friendly activities at the History Center and explore why we celebrate Veterans Day in November. Follow the clues on a specially crafted kids-only tour of the museum to find out why. Curators of Curiosity is an ongoing, family-friendly program that will feature a different activity every month. Please visit [www.polkhistorycenter.org](http://www.polkhistorycenter.org) or call 863-534-4386 for more information.



\*\*\*If you have community activities or news that would be of interest to the Polk City service area, please contact Sheandolen Dunn – [sheandolen.dunn@mypolkcity.org](mailto:sheandolen.dunn@mypolkcity.org) – 863-984-1375, extension 238.