

City Commission Meeting Minutes
June 16, 2020
(Draft)

6/16/2020 - Minutes

1. INVOCATION

Dr. Jim Moyer gave the invocation.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fultz called the meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. after the invocation and the pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Fultz read a statement:

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-69, issued by the Office of Governor Ron DeSantis on March 20, 2020, and extended by Executive Order No. 20 -112, and further extended by Executive Order No. 20- 114, municipalities may conduct meetings of their governing boards without having a quorum of its members present physically or at any specific location, and utilizing communications media technology such as telephonic or video conferencing, as provided by Section 120.54(5)(b)2, Florida Statutes.

Procedures for public participation will be explained by the City Attorney shortly.

Albert Galloway, Jr., City Attorney, read a statement on Procedures for Virtual Public Meetings.

Mr. Galloway asked the Commissioners, "are you comfortable with all the notice provisions set forth and these uniform rules of procedures we have established for this Virtual meeting? The Commissioners answered affirmatively.

4. ROLL CALL

Commission Members Present: Eugene Fultz - Mayor, Terrye Howell, Al Goldstein, Curtis Gibson, Robin Gibson

Staff Present: James Slaton, Interim City Manager; Albert C. Galloway, Jr., City Attorney; Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk

5. PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS

6. PRESENTATION/REPORT

6.I. COVID-19 Update

Joe Jenkins, Fire Chief and Emergency Operations Director, reported on the current numbers of cases statewide. There have been 75 deaths in Polk County. The cases in Florida and Polk County are going up as are emergency room visits. Some of the parks opened today and they will be disinfected three times a week. The rest of the parks will reopen by the end of the week. As soon as certain signage gets it there may be a soft opening of the City Administration Building on Monday. No rentals are being done. Leagues are being required to submit a plan on how they will follow CDC guidelines before they are allowed to use City fields.

James Slaton, Interim City Manager, announced that they plan to resume cut-offs on July 1. Staff will

work with customers on payment plans to catch up on overdue payments. This affects 1200 customers in the amount of \$355,000 that is owed. Mayor Fultz said to make sure that information gets out. Mr. Slaton said residents will have 12 months to catch up. Commissioner Howell asked what happens if there is another lock down? Will Utilities be cut-off? Mr. Slaton said that we will have to readdress these matters as time goes on. Catching up on more than three months in arrears will get difficult. Commissioner Curtis Gibson asked if these lost revenues can be covered by any CARES funds or other sources. Mr. Slaton said he didn't believe so but can look into it. Chief Jenkins said that the Care Center has funding they can distribute to help those struggling with finances related to COVID19 losses.

7. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Virgil Ullom, non-resident, spoke against Pride week and extolled family values.

Chris Lutton, resident, shared an update on his son who graduated from the Naval Academy. He said conferences should be cut out of the budget for next year. He encouraged the Commission to set an example as far as trimming the budget.

Sara Jones, resident, reported an increase in Community Policing in northwest neighborhoods and thanked the police department for this. She spoke in favor of allowing James Slaton a chance to apply for City Manager.

Terry Christian, resident, said no one has reached out to him on a previous matter he brought up in February. He asked about the officer recently placed on administrative leave. Chris Velasquez, Police Chief, said the officer was placed on leave due to information received at the time. James Slaton, Interim City Manager, said that the details can be discussed later. An investigation is under way and we should allow it to be completed. He asked about the delays in completing the investigation. Albert Galloway, Jr., City Attorney, said all parties are not available to give testimony at this time. Mayor Fultz said that the City manager would get with him, Mr. Christian, later on this. We need to allow the investigation to be completed.

Anita Wells, resident, asked about the number of cases and how they compared to previous numbers. She asked if there will be another lock down. She expressed support for James Slaton to be the permanent city manager. Chief Jenkins said there has been an increase of cases in Polk County and Lake Wales. He said that he is unaware of plans for another lock down. Commissioner Howell asked if we can shut down in Lake Wales. Chief Jenkins said they could. He reviewed the positive percentages over the past few days.

Mayor Fultz said he keeps hearing that anyone can be tested. He said this isn't true. He tried to get tested but could not as he had no symptoms. Chief Jenkins confirmed that one must have symptoms or have been in contact with someone who has tested positive. More testing will be forthcoming as the county will be spending millions to ramp up testing. its possible then that others can get tested. Commissioner Goldstein asked if travel restrictions are still in place. Chief Jenkins said he will check into if border and other travel restrictions are in place. The restriction procedures were discussed. Commissioner Goldstein said many are not quarantining as they should.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Goldstein seconded the motion.

By Voice Vote:

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

8.I. Minutes - May 19, 2020

8.II. Preliminary Subdivision Plat Extension Of Approval – San Juan Citrus Single-Family Residential – PID: 27-30-12-000000-021030 / 022030 / 022020

[Begin Agenda Memo]

Recommendation:

One-year extension of time on approval for a preliminary subdivision plat of a 68-lot single family residential subdivision.

Background:

The subject property was annexed into the City in 2012 and given a Low Density Residential land use designation. Eighteen-hundred citrus trees had been planted on site, irrigated with City reuse water, and no development was proposed in the near term at that time.

The proposed 68-lot subdivision is configured along Bellview Drive and 11th Street South. Over 39,000 square feet of recreation area is designed, along with an internal 5- foot sidewalk system.

The proposed development is a standard subdivision meeting all requirements of the Land Development Regulations to date. The minimum lot size of 9,697 square feet exceeds the standard required for R-1B zoning.

At a regular meeting on April 24, 2018, the Planning and Zoning Board voted to recommend approval of San Juan Citrus Residential Subdivision to City Commission, as shown on Preliminary Plat for San Juan Citrus prepared by Knight, McGuire & Associates, Inc., signed March 14, 2018. The plan was unanimously approved by City Commission on May 15, 2018, with a two-year expiration date unless development commenced or an extension of time was requested.

No development has since moved forward.

On March 2, 2020, the owner sent a letter requesting an extension of time on the approval, stating that he has received some development interest and would like to be afforded additional time to pursue the prospect. The Planning and Zoning Board voted for a positive recommendation of approval to City Commission at a regular meeting on May 26, 2020.

Other options: Subdivision of property is a right, provided the plan meets City requirements.

[End Agenda Memo]

8.III. Interim City Manager Salary

[Begin Agenda Memo]

RECOMMENDATION

Set the Interim City Manager's salary at \$126,000.00.

BACKGROUND

At its June 2, 2020 commission meeting, the City Commission appointed James Slaton, Deputy City Manager as the Interim City Manager due to the resignation of Kenneth Fields.

This item is placed on the Agenda to set the salary of the Interim City Manager \$126,000.

[End Agenda Memo]

9. OLD BUSINESS

10. NEW BUSINESS

10.I. RESOLUTION No. 2020-16, Preliminary Rate Resolution – Brookshire Street Lighting District

[Begin Agenda Memo]

SYNOPSIS: Preliminary Rate Resolution for the Brookshire Street Lighting District

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Commission adopt Resolution No. 2020-16 providing the Preliminary Rate Resolution for the Brookshire Street Lighting District.

BACKGROUND

In 2010, the City of Lake Wales received a petition requesting the creation of a Street Lighting District for the Brookshire subdivision. The District includes the thirty-one (31) decorative street lighting poles. Eighty-seven (87) platted lots are within the street lighting district and the estimated annual street lighting costs are \$13,485. The estimated annual charge per plated lot is \$155.

OTHER OPTIONS

Do not approve Brookshire Street Lighting District special assessment.

FISCAL IMPACT

Annual estimated assessment revenue of \$13,485 is expected to pay all street lighting costs relating to the services, facilities and programs within the Brookshire Street Lighting District.

[End Agenda Memo]

Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk, read **RESOLUTION 2020-16** by title only.

RESOLUTION NO. 2020-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WALES, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE FUNDING OF STREET LIGHTING SERVICES AND FACILITIES WITHIN THE BROOKSHIRE STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF LAKE WALES, FLORIDA; DESCRIBING THE METHOD OF ASSESSING STREET LIGHTING SERVICES AND FACILITIES WITHIN THE BROOKSHIRE STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT IN THE CITY OF LAKE WALES; DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF AN UPDATED ASSESSMENT ROLL; AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING AND DIRECTING THE PROVISION OF NOTICE THEREOF; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Dorothy Abbott, Director of Finance, reviewed this item.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson said that this assessment is something the residents requested. Ms. Abbott confirmed this and gave a bit of background.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson asked what the legal basis for it is. This is an efficient way to collect revenue. Albert Galloway, Jr., City Attorney, said the basis is State Statute.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson made a motion to approve **Resolution 2020-16**. Commissioner Goldstein seconded the motion.

By Roll Call Vote:

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

10.II. RESOLUTION - 2020 - 17 Preliminary Rate Resolution For Fire Protection Services Assessment

[Begin Agenda Memo]

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that City Commission adopt Resolution No. 2020-17 providing the Preliminary Rate Resolution for Fire Protection Services Assessment.

BACKGROUND

It is recommended that the City Commission set the Preliminary Fire Protection Services Assessment rate and adopt Preliminary Fire Protection Service Assessment Resolution 2020-17 providing for Fire Protection Services Assessments for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2020. Staff is recommending the following rate scenario:

Property Category	Assessment Rate
Single-Family	Per dwelling unit \$162
Multi-Family	Per dwelling unit \$ 80
Mobile Home	Per dwelling unit \$144
Property Category	Assessment Rate
Commercial	Per Sq Ft \$.07
Industrial/Warehouse	Per Sq Ft \$.01
Institutional	Per Sq Ft

\$.09

OTHER OPTIONS

Rely solely on the ad valorem taxes to fund fire protection services, equipment, and programs.

FISCAL IMPACT

The estimated net revenue is \$1,269,571. Initial fire protection assessment rates are 50.25% of assessable costs.

[End Agenda Memo]

Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk, reviewed **RESOLUTION 2020-17** by title only.

RESOLUTION 2020-17

(Preliminary Assessment Resolution)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WALES, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS; PROVIDING AUTHORITY, PURPOSE, AND DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS; DESCRIBING THE METHOD OF ASSESSING FIRE PROTECTION ASSESSMENT COSTS AGAINST PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY OF LAKE WALES; DETERMINING THE FIRE PROTECTION ASSESSED COST AND INITIAL FIRE PROTECTION ASSESSMENTS; DIRECTING THE PREPARATION OF AN ASSESSMENT ROLL; AUTHORIZING A PUBLIC HEARING AND DIRECTING THE PROVISION OF NOTICE THEREFOR; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY, CONFLICTS, AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Dorothy Abbott, Finance Director, reviewed this item. The assessment reflects an increase over last year.

Chris Lutton, resident, asked if the increase is related to costs. Ms. Abbott reviewed a recent study that was done and said she could distribute that. James Slaton, Interim City Manager, said that this is not the maximum rate and the commission can lower this later if they wish.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson asked if the income is comparable to the contract lost with Polk County a few years ago. Joe Jenkins, Fire Chief, said that contract was \$257,000 was the amount in the OPA back then. There were different rate scenarios to choose from. Currently the fire assessment funds the department at 42%, The proposed increase would fund the Fire Department budget at 50%. This next level allows more money to be saved in the general fund.

Commissioner Howell asked if there is extra money collected. Ms. Abbott said there is no extra money. Commissioner Howell asked why different sizes pay the same amount. Chief Jenkins said that they provide the same service regardless of the size of the house.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to adopt **RESOLUTION 2020-17**. Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson seconded the motion.

By Voice Vote:

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

10.III. City Manager Search

[Begin Agenda Memo]

RECOMMENDATION

Review and discuss options.

BACKGROUND

The purpose of this item is to provide a couple of options to the commission to assist in selecting the next City Manager. In the past, the commission appointed a City Manager Selection Committee consisting of the Mayor and City Commissioners to work through the recruitment and selection process with the assistance of the Human Resources Department.

Internal Search

The internal option timeline typically takes three to four months to complete with no additional costs. The general process is as follows:

- Review and provide feedback on position description and advertisement
- Open recruitment and application period
- Review and rank candidates – City Commissioners
- Human Resources provides completed ranking sheets to the City Commissioners
- Commission decides to interview top candidates
- Human resources will start reference and background checks on short-listed candidates
- In-person/virtual/telephone interviews (round 1)
- In-person/virtual/telephone interviews (round 2)
- Selection

External Search Firm

The external option timeline will take about four to six months at a cost of approximately \$20,000 to \$35,000. The general process is typically as follows:

- Develop and issue request for proposals for most qualified executive search firm consultants, including qualifications, past experience, references and costs.
- Evaluate search firm proposals and decide which 3-5 firms to interview.
- Conduct interviews with search consultants, in-person or online; make sure interview is with the actual consultant who will work with the city.
- Obtain references and contact city commissioners and mayor in cities where consultant conducted recent search to discuss their experiences and anything they would have done differently.
- Discuss search firms in workshop session and obtain consensus on which firm to pick.
- Have city attorney draft contract for search firm services.
- Develop agenda item to approve contract with top city manager search consulting firm.
- Review and approve proposed search timeline and process.
- Review and provide feedback on job description, written job advertisement and job promotional brochure to be made available on the website via email to interested candidates.

- Receive and review resumes of top applicants recommended and vetted by search consultant; review those eliminated to see if commission wants to add any to the mix.
- Schedule and conduct interviews with top 5 candidates for city manager.
- Selection

[End Agenda Memo]

James Slaton, Interim City Manager, said there is a third option. A representative from Senior Advisors that will attend on July 1 to discuss the services they offer including costs.

Mayor Fultz said he would like to hear what this representative has to say before making a decision.

Commissioner Howell said the Commission should handle the search. We should decide who is right for Lake Wales ourselves. She would like to hold off until after the budget and give James Slaton a chance to address some of the issues we have been dealing with and put his ideas into the works. This will pave the way for someone new.

Commissioner Curtis Gibson said he would prefer the Commission to save money and make the decision themselves.

Commissioner Goldstein said we should put out the request for resumes and begin the search ourselves. Mr. Slaton has authority to do the job as he see fits. We should not put things off.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson said the Commission is the best to choose but we need to get a strong field in here to choose from. Many candidates would dream of the chance of this job. We should do what we can to get the best field in here. He agreed that we should hear what the advisors say before a final decision.

James Slaton said that we should wait until July 1st when we have more information to make a decision.

Commissioner Goldstein recommended to Mr. Slaton to do the job as he sees fit. Don't let the job search hinder him. He is not sure what the search firm would do.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson is fine with waiting until the budget is over before moving forward on the search.

Chris Lutton, resident, reviewed the process when Ken Fields was hired. They focused on Florida candidates. He wondered if there was a time limit for interim City Manager.

Mayor Fultz expressed confidence that Mr. Slaton will do a good job in the meantime until a decision is made. He asked if there was consensus to wait and hear what the Senior Advisors representative had to say. The commission consented.

10.IV. Board Appointments: Airport Authority, Board Of Adjustment And Appeals, Charter Review, Historic District Regulatory Board, Housing Authority

[Begin Agenda Memo]

SYNOPSIS: Appointments to fill vacancies mostly due to expiration of terms. Most terms expire on July 1st of each year and must be renewed.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Mayor and Commission to make the following appointments as deemed appropriate.

1. Reappoint Robert Ohlinger, non-resident for a new term on the Airport Authority expiring on July 1, 2023.
2. Reappoint Barbara Pelisek, non-resident for a new term on the Airport Authority expiring on July 1, 2023.
3. Reappoint James Boterf to a new term on the Board of Adjustment and Appeals expiring on July 1, 2023
4. Appoint Chevon Baccus to the Charter Review Committee
5. Appoint Andy Oguntola to the Charter Review Committee
6. Appoint Sara Jones to the Charter Review Committee
7. Appoint James Weaver to the Charter Review Committee
8. Appoint Keith Wadsworth to the Charter Review Committee
9. Appoint Mark Bennett to a term on the Historic District Regulatory Committee to expire July 1, 2022
10. Appoint Narvell Petersen for a term on the Housing Authority to expire 07/01/2024

BACKGROUND

As of July 1, 2020 terms will have expired on many of our boards. These are those applying for reappointment to new terms.

The Mayor makes appointments to various citizen advisory and regulatory boards, commissions, committees, and authorities with the advice and consent of the City Commission (City Charter, Sec. 3.06).

Airport Authority (City Code Sec. 2-41) – The board consists of seven (7) voting members and one (1) non-voting member who is a City Commissioner. At least two (2) voting members must be qualified electors of the City. The remaining members chosen may be persons owning property located within the City of Lake Wales or persons having a business tax receipt issued by the City of Lake Wales, are airport tenants, or have general aviation experience. (3-year term)

The non-voting City Commission member serves for the duration of his or her term as City Commissioner, unless such Commissioner desires to serve a shorter period of time. In such event, the Lake Wales City Commission shall appoint another city commissioner to serve in the same manner.

- There is no interview process requirement for applicants applying for appointment to this board.
- Members are not required to file an annual Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests
- Current Vacancies: 2 Vacancies due to expiration of terms

Current Members: John Lodge, non-resident 10/03/12--07/01/21, P+1 Herb Gillis, non-resident, 02/05/19--07/01/21, P Clarke Gerard, non-resident chair 06/05/18--07/01/19, P Charles N. Clegg, resident 07/19/16--07/01/19, 1 Travis Burns, resident 08/21/18--07/01/21, 1 Robert Ohlinger, non-resident 07/05/17--07/01/20, 1 Barbara Pelisek, non-resident 12/20/16--07/01/20, P+1

Commissioner Curtis Gibson, non-voting member 05/07/19 - 05/04/21,

Applying for reappointment: Robert Ohlinger, non-resident for a term expiring on 7/1/2023.

Applying for reappointment: Barbara Pelisek, non-resident for a term expiring on 7/1/2023.

Board of Zoning Adjustment and Appeals (BOA) (City Code Sec. 23-206.1) The board consists of five (5) members. Members must be residents. (3 year term)

- An interview process is necessary for new applicants only.
- Members are required to file an annual Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests
- Current Vacancies: 4 vacancies

Current Members: James Boterf, resident 10/04/11 – 07/01/20, 3

Deborah Solow, resident 02/19/20 – 07/01/20, P

Sue Marino, resident 07/01/19 – 07/01/22, P+2

Eberhard, Ralph, resident 08/02/16 - 07/01/19

Turner, Warren 07/05/17 - 07/01/20, 1

Applying for Re-Appointment: James Boterf for a term expiring on 7/1/2023

Meetings (City Code Sec. 23-206.2(c)) - The board of appeals shall hold regular meetings at the call of the chair and at such other times as the board may determine. Special meetings may be called by the chair or vice-chair with twelve (12) hours of notice.

Current Meeting Schedule: 3rd Thursday @ 9:00 AM; Commission Chamber [The meeting time could be changed to accommodate members who work during the day.]

Duties (City Code Sec. 23-206.3) – The Board of Appeals shall:

1. Hear and decide appeals where it is alleged that there is an error in any order, decision or determination of the administrative official in the enforcement of these zoning regulations;
2. Authorize such variance from the terms of these zoning regulations as will not be contrary to the public interest where, owing to special conditions, a literal enforcement of the provisions of these zoning regulations would result in unnecessary and undue hardship. A variance from the terms of these zoning regulations shall not be granted until a public hearing is held before the board of appeals;
3. Hear and decide appeals where the planning board has denied an application for a special exception use permit or site plan approval;
4. Perform any other duties which are lawfully assigned to it by the city commission.

Charter Review Committee – Per Resolution 2020-19 This board will consist of 5 members who are residents and qualified electors of Lake Wales. Each Commissioner can nominate a member.

Chevon Baccus- Nominated by Commissioner Howell

Andy Oguntola – Nominated by Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson

Sara Jones – Nominated by Commissioner

Curtis Gibson James Weaver – Nominated by Commissioner Goldstein

Keith Wadsworth – Nominated by Mayor Fultz

Historic District Regulatory Board

Historic District Regulatory Board (City Code Sec. 23-208.2) – The board consists of five (5) regular members (appointed in accordance with section 2-26). At least 50% of the members shall reside or own property within the City. Members shall be chosen to provide expertise in the following disciplines to the extent such professionals are available in the community: historic preservation, architecture, architectural history, curation, conservation, anthropology, building construction, landscape architecture, planning, urban design, and regulatory procedures. (3-year term)

- An interview process is necessary for new applicants only.
- Members are required to file an annual Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests
- Current Vacancies: 2 vacancies, resident or own property in City; 1 expiring term, 1 vacancy due to

resignation.

Current Members:

Lawrence (Larry) Bossarte, business owner	02/04/20 – 07/01/22, 1
Diane Armington, owns property in the City	07/01/16 – 7/1/2019, 3
John Turley, resident	12/18/18 – 07/01/21, 1
Brandon Alvarado, resident	12/18/18 - 07/01/21, 1
Ronni Wood, resident	02/05/19 – 07/01/21, 1

Applying for Appointment: Mark Bennett, resident, for a partial term expiring on 07/01/22
Staff recommends his appointment

Meetings (City Code Sec. 23-208.3(c)) – The historic board shall hold regular meetings at the call of the chair and at such other times as the board may determine. Special meetings may be called by the chair or vice-chair with twelve (12) hours of notice. No less than four (4) meetings shall be held each year.

Current Meeting Schedule: 3rd Thursday @ 5:30 PM; Commission Chamber

Functions, powers, and duties (City Code Sec. 23-208.4)

1. To hear and decide upon applications for certificates of appropriateness as required under this chapter;
2. To adopt guidelines for the review and issuance of certificates of appropriateness consistent with the purposes of this chapter, the historic preservation element of the comprehensive plan, and the Secretary of the Interior's standards for historic properties;
3. To make recommendations to the city commission on matters relating to the establishment of historic districts and regulation of such districts;
4. To make recommendations to the planning board and the city commission for amendments to the code of ordinances and the comprehensive plan on matters relating to historic preservation;
5. To make recommendations to the planning board and city commission regarding special permits for properties within an historic district in cases in which the special permit involves work requiring a certificate of appropriateness;
6. To perform any other duties which are lawfully assigned to it by the city commission

Housing Authority (F.S. 421.04) – The board consists of five (5) members. Members must reside in the City, own property in the City, or hold a valid occupational license issued by the City. One (1) member must be a resident of the housing project who is current in rent payment or a person of low income who is receiving a rent subsidy through a program administered by the Authority. No member may be an officer or employee of the City. (4-year term)

- An interview process is necessary for new applicants only.
- Members are required to file an annual Form 1, Statement of Financial Interests
- Current Vacancies: 1 vacancy due to expired term

Primary Duties: Manage and control the city's low-rent housing units.

Current Meeting Schedule: 3rd Wednesday @ 6:00 PM; Housing Authority

Current Members: Janice Snell, resident 04/17/12 – 07/01/21, 3
Eddy Rivers, resident Chair 07/01/08 – 07/01/20, 3-F
Wanda Lawson, resident 06/18/13 – 07/01/21, 2
Mellissa Montgomery, resident of housing project 06/21/11 – 07/01/21, 3
Helen Walters, resident 11/04/14 – 07/01/22, 3
Albert Kirkland, Jr., Ex-officio n/a
Commissioner Terrye Howell, City Liaison 05/05/20 – 05/02/23

Applying for Appointment: Narvell Petersen for a term to expire 07/01/2024

Mr. Petersen has been interviewed by Mr. Kirkland who recommends his appointment.

OPTIONS

Do not appoint those that have applied.

FISCAL IMPACT

None. These are volunteer boards.

[End Agenda Memo]

Mayor Fultz reappointed Robert Ohlinger to the Airport Authority for a term expiring July 1, 2023. Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson made a motion to approve the appointment. Commissioner Curtis Gibson seconded the motion.

by Voice vote:

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Fultz reappointed Barbara Pelisek to the Airport Authority for a term expiring July 1, 2023. Commissioner Curtis Gibson made a motion to approve the appointment. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion.

by Voice vote:

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Fultz reappointed James Boterf to a new term on the Board of Adjustment and Appeals expiring on July 1, 2023.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the appointment. Commissioner Curtis Gibson seconded the motion.

by Voice vote:

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Fultz Appointed Chevon Baccus to the Charter Review Committee.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the appointment. Commissioner Goldstein seconded the motion.

by Voice vote:

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Fultz Appointed Andy Oguntola to the Charter Review Committee.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the appointment. Commissioner Goldstein seconded the motion.

by Voice vote:

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Fultz Appointed Sara Jones to the Charter Review Committee.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the appointment. Commissioner Curtis Gibson seconded the motion.

by Voice vote:

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Fultz Appointed James Weaver to the Charter Review Committee.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the appointment. Commissioner Curtis Gibson seconded the motion.

by Voice vote:

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Fultz Appointed James Weaver to the Charter Review Committee.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the appointment. Commissioner Curtis Gibson seconded the motion.

by Voice vote:

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Fultz Appointed Keith Wadsworth to the Charter Review Committee.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the appointment. Commissioner Curtis Gibson seconded the motion.

by Voice vote:

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

Mayor Fultz appointed Mark Bennett to a term on the Historic District Regulatory Committee to expire July 1, 2022.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the appointment. Commissioner Curtis Gibson seconded the motion.

by Voice vote:

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

The Mayor appointed Narvell Petersen for a term on the Housing Authority to expire 07/01/2024.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the appointment. Commissioner Curtis Gibson seconded the motion.

by Voice vote:

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson said all of these appointments are capable people and are making a positive contribution to the City. A lot is happening and people wish to be a part of it.

11. CITY ATTORNEY

Albert Galloway, Jr., City Attorney, said the Ordinance regarding the Pension changes needs to be on the next agenda. It didn't make it tonight due to not being advertised but it needs to be on the next one.

Mr. Galloway reported on the recent School Board meeting where the 1919 School Complex to resolve the reverter clause in the original deed to the City. It will be addressed at a later meeting. He is confident that reverter has expired. Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson agreed.

12. CITY MANAGER

12.I. Tracking Report

James Slaton, Interim City Manager, reviewed the work done at the YMCA at about \$130,000. Most of this is for AC repair as well as other things. He reviewed what the YMCA has been doing regarding bringing in new members at the lower rate and surveying members on any improvements that they would like. He said that Stephanie Edwards and Michael Manning have done a good job on this.

12.II. Social Media Tracking Report

12.III. Commission Meeting Calendar

Next budget workshop needs to be rescheduled to July 22. July 9 will be a workshop on the Lake Wales Connected Plan.

12.IV. Other Meetings And Events

13. CITY COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Goldstein commended the Police Department on the improved community policing. Its important for the Police and community to know each other. The Dover-Kohl plan will be great for Lake Wales. We need to be a united community. He expressed the need for a cultural center in the northwest area to focus on black culture to help promote unity. There is no place in our Country and Community for racism.

Commissioner Goldstein said we need a lobbyist to go after money in Washington and Tallahassee. We need to get our fair share.

Commissioner Howell said she heard compliments on clean-up around Spook Hill. Our parks crew did a good job.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson said he hoped our community does not get divisive as other areas of the country. We need to talk to each other and be unified. We are capable of handling our challenges. We have to cooperate with each other.

14. MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Fultz commended the well done protest held recently at Kiwanis Park.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.