

City Commission Meeting Minutes
August 18, 2020
(Draft)

This meeting was be conducted partially via teleconference
Pursuant to Executive Order No. 20-69, issued by the Office of Governor Ron Desantis on March 20, 2020, extended via Executive order no. 20-112, and further extended by Executive Orders No 20-114, 20-150, and 20-179 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.
The City of Lake Wales held this hybrid virtual public meeting using the GoToMeeting Web/Teleconference service.

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1. INVOCATION

Dr. 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 pledge of allegiance.

Mayor Fultz read a statement:

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Albert Galloway, Jr., City Attorney, read a statement on Procedures for this partial virtual Public Meeting.

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, Curtis Gibson, Terrye Howell, Al Goldstein, Robin Gibson

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

5. PRESENTATION/REPORT

5.1. COVID-19 Update

Joe Jenkins, Fire Chief and Emergency Operations Director, reported that the daily average is 8.1% which is trending favorably, our positive rate is 14.86% since the beginning. Yesterday there were 77 new cases in Polk County the lowest its been since June. Today's report is at 100. Lake Wales is at 602 cases. We need to keep doing what we are doing as it is working. He reviewed plans for shelters during a potential hurricane. The City cannot open its own shelters as we have no way to staff it or

provide support. The County decides on shelters and provides support.

5.II. CDBG Presentation 1st Public Hearing

Andy Easton, Grants Administrator, reviewed plans to apply for a CDBG Grant for housing rehabilitation.

The City of Lake Wales is considering applying to the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity for an FFY 2019 Small Cities Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). The City is eligible to apply for up to \$750,000 in the neighborhood revitalization, commercial revitalization, and housing rehabilitation categories and up to \$1.5 million in the economic development category.

OPENED FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

CLOSED PUBLIC COMMENT

6. COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITIONS

Virgil Ullom, non resident, spoke on the preciousness of God's creation and against atheism.

Daniel Kreiger, resident, spoke against a mask mandate because some might get sick wearing a mask. He reviewed research that said that masks will not reduce the chance of catching COVID19. Most don't wear masks properly.

Bill Young, resident, spoke against the mask ordinance. Masks should be optional. Once this is passed it may not be repealed.

Renee Montgomery, resident, spoke against increasing the fire assessment and against masks. The masks will cause businesses to lose customers. The enforcement of masks would be a burden on our Police Department.

Becky Wynkoop, non-resident, spoke in favor of the mask ordinance. She spoke in support of the atheist invocation at the last meeting.

Charlene Bennett, resident, spoke against the resolution on invocations. Religion should not be forced on others. She reviewed past court cases on this issue.

Crystal Brewer-Higbee, resident and CEO of Circle of Friends ministry, spoke against masks. They use common sense and follow CDC guidelines. The participants have disabilities. This mandate would force them to close their doors.

David Jones, resident, spoke in favor of the mask ordinance. He reviewed the number of recent deaths from COVID19 in Florida. Wearing masks reduces infection.

Joseph Richardson, non-resident, spoke against the invocation resolution. Everyone should have the opportunity to give an invocation. This is asking for a lawsuit.

Sarah Ray, non-resident, spoke on the Resolution invocation. Its part of official proceedings. Atheists are a minority in this country. The invocation process should be inclusive and represent diversity.

Jim McCullough, non resident, spoke against the invocation ordinance. This prevents many in the community from having a voice.

Ms. Reeves, non-resident, spoke in favor of the mask ordinance. Its something simple we can do to reduce the spread. This does not have to be forever.

Paula Foster, resident, spoke against the mask ordinance as police have enough to do without enforcing this. The numbers are going down.

There was another speaker who could not be heard clearly that spoke on masks.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson asked for Item 7.3 Audit Selection Committee be removed from the Consent agenda.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to approve the rest of the Consent Agenda. 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.

7.I. Minutes - July 7, 2020

7.II. One Scenic Central Indemnification Agreement

[Begin Agenda Memo]

Synopsis:

AVA Properties, LLC, seeks to open a restaurant facility in the subject property and plans a take out window to the sidewalk area lying South of the building adjacent to Central Avenue. AVA Properties, LLC, also plans to add a 6' x 9' concrete pad to the sidewalk area near the take out window which will be dedicated to the public in accordance with the terms of the Agreement. The Agreement serves to protect the City related to the use of public property by the restaurant business and its patrons.

Recommendation: That the City Commission approve the Indemnification Agreement and authorize the Mayor to sign it on behalf of the City.

Background: The subject property and project were recently approved for a Lake Wales Community Redevelopment Agency Grant to assist in development of the restaurants at the site in the amount of \$100,000.00. This Agreement is similar to that required of the Market Café for its utilization of public property.

Fiscal impact: None

Alternatives: There are no alternatives which will serve to protect the public and the City in the manner contemplated by the Indemnification Agreement.

[End Agenda memo]

7.III. Audit Selection Committee

[Begin Agenda Memo]

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommended that the City Commission approve:

- 1) The establishment of an audit committee for providing assistance to the governing body in selecting an auditor to conduct the annual financial audit.
- 2) Approve Eugene Fultz, Violeta Salud, and Rodney Canon as members of the audit committee.
- 3) Approve Dorothy Abbott to serve in an advisory capacity to the Audit Selection Committee per Florida Statute 218.391 (2)(c).
- 4) Terminate the audit committee once selection for professional auditing services has been completed by the City Commission.

BACKGROUND

The City of Lake Wales has issued a request for proposal for professional auditing services. In compliance with state statute, municipalities prior to entering into a written contract for procurement of auditing services are required by Florida Statute 218.391 to establish an audit committee. The primary purpose of the audit committee is to assist the governing body in selecting an auditor to conduct the annual financial audit. The audit committee shall:

- 1) Evaluate proposals provided by qualified firms.
- 2) Rank and recommend in order of preference no fewer than three firms deemed to be the most highly qualified to perform the required services after considering the factors established within the RFP.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A

[End Agenda Memo]

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson spoke on the importance of the audit. Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson asked how long we have had our current auditors. Dorothy Abbott, Finance Director, said they have been our auditors for 6 years. A three year contract with a three year renewal. James Slaton, Interim City Manager, reviewed the selection process.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson made a motion to approve Item 7.3. Commissioner Goldstein seconded it.

By voice vote:

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

8. OLD BUSINESS

8.1. ORDINANCE 2020-15 Requiring The Wearing Of Facemasks Or Similar Coverings In Certain Public Places. 2nd Reading And Public Hearing

[Begin Agenda memo]

SYNOPSIS:

The City Commission will consider adopting Ordinance 2020-15, requiring the wearing of facemasks or similar coverings in certain public places.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission take the following action(s):

1. Adopt Ordinance 2020-15.

BACKGROUND

The City Commission expressed a desire to mandate the wearing of face masks in public inside the city limits of Lake Wales during the July 21, 2020 City Commission meeting. The proposed Ordinance:

- Does require a second reading
- Expires upon adoption of a repealing Ordinance
- Imposes a noncriminal civil citation for non-compliance
- Does not require a super majority affirmative vote of the City Commission to adopt

OTHER OPTIONS

The City Commission may 1) direct staff to revise the proposed Ordinance prior to adoption or 2) may elect not to approve the Ordinance.

FISCAL IMPACT

None.

[End Agenda memo]

Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk, read **ORDINANCE 2020-15** by title only.

ORDINANCE 2020-15

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WALES, FLORIDA, RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH; REQUIRING PERSONS THAT LIVE, WORK, VISIT OR DO BUSINESS IN THE CITY OF

LAKE WALES, FLORIDA, TO WEAR FACE COVERINGS IN CERTAIN PUBLIC PLACES TO STOP OR SLOW THE SPREAD OF NOVEL CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19); PROVIDING FOR EXCEPTIONS; ESTABLISHING ENFORCEMENT AND PENALTY PROVISIONS FOR VIOLATIONS; MAKING FINDINGS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

James Slaton, Interim City Manager, reviewed this item and said it is unchanged from the version approved at first reading.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson proposed changes to reduce the burden on the business owner to enforce this. Businesses should put signs up and the City take the heat. He recommended following CDC guidelines. Their vote is reflective of the community.

Albert Galloway, Jr., City Attorney said the proposed changes do not change the title and so it doesn't need to go back for first reading. The Commission can pass the Ordinance as is or with the changes.

Mayor Fultz said he was in favor of the revisions.

Commissioner Curtis Gibson said he is in favor of wearing masks. He supported the earlier resolution concerning masks. He did not like the original version presented as it was a copy from Hillsborough County which is not appropriate for us. He said he agreed with some of the changes made. He said that many people and businesses are following the guidelines concerning masks. In Lakeland that has a mandate very few were wearing masks. He said he will not vote for this as it does not have a 30 day limit.

Commissioner Goldstein said he opposes this ordinance regardless of whether the changes are included or not. The resolution previously passed is working fine. This is a violation of civil rights.

Commissioner Howell said she liked the proposed changes to make it easier for businesses. She asked Mr. Galloway how long it would take to rescind it. Mr. Galloway said it would take two readings or two weeks. Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson asked Mr. Slaton to remind them about this every 30 days to see if they want to start the process to rescind this. Mr. Slaton said he could do this.

Commissioner Howell asked if we are voting this as an Emergency Ordinance or the current Ordinance with the revision. Mayor Fultz said the current one as is. Mr. Galloway said to do an Emergency Ordinance it would have to be at the next meeting. This one is a regular ordinance. Commissioner Howell wanted to be sure that it will take two weeks to remove this. She then reviewed the provisions of the Ordinance. We do not want people from other cities to come here and infect our people. She has seen where people are congregating and not social distancing.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson made a motion to adopt **ORDINANCE 2020-15** as amended after second reading and Public Hearing. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion.

OPENED PUBLIC HEARING

Jimmy Nelson, resident and business owner, said he is a former City Commissioner. He said the current mask resolution is fine and is working. We do not need more government regulation. People and businesses are already complying with the need for masks. He recommended that this Ordinance fails.

Bill Young, resident, said he doesn't like looking at people wearing masks. He doesn't want people to get sick. He doesn't like living like this.

Erica Runkle, non-resident and property owner, said her business has already been negatively affected by COVID19 after being closed 5 weeks. This ordinance will negatively affect her business.

David Jones, resident, spoke in favor of the Ordinance to protect our loved ones. We need to take more precautions to stop the spread.

Crystal Brewer-Higbee, resident and CEO of Circle of Friends ministry, spoke against masks. We don't need to be told how to protect ourselves. We can use common sense.

Renee Montgomery, resident, spoke against the ordinance and said the masks will not protect against COVID19.

Joseph Richardson, non-resident, recommended including a numerical goal when the mask ordinance takes effect and when it is not in effect.

another speaker was indiscernible

CLOSED PUBLIC COMMENT.

Commissioner Goldstein said our current resolution is working. We do not need a mandate and the police don't need to enforce this. Our merchants will be affected by this. They will lose business because of this.

Roll Call Vote:

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "NO"

Commissioner Goldstein "NO"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 3-2.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.I. RESOLUTION 2020-27 Policy On Invocations For Commission Meetings

[Begin Agenda Memo]

SYNOPSIS:

Resolution 2020-27 establishes an Invocation Policy where an appointed chaplain or one of the Commissioners gives the invocation.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends adoption of Resolution 2020-27 establishing an invocation policy at Commission meetings.

BACKGROUND

Resolution 2020-27 establishes an invocation policy for future Commission Meetings. This Resolution appoints Dr. James Moyer to serve as the City Chaplain and he will be the only one to do the invocations. If the chaplain is absent, the Mayor or a member of the Commission will give the invocation.

Dr. James Moyer has agreed to serve as Chaplain. He will not be compensated for his services.

OTHER OPTIONS

Do not adopt Resolution 2020-27 or recommend changes.

[End Agenda Memo]

Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk, read **RESOLUTION 2020-27** by title only.

RESOLUTION 2020-27

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WALES, POLK COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A POLICY REGARDING INVOCATIONS AT MEETINGS OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WALES; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Albert Galloway, Jr., City Attorney, shared an email from the Freedom from Religion Foundation stating that they are watching us. He is not confident about having the Commissioners give the invocation. The rotating list would be more prudent. Mayor Fultz said he saw that email and asked if the Commission wanted to move forward or change direction.

Commissioner Howell asked if what we are doing is within the law. Mr. Galloway said that there are many cases about this. In his opinion the rotation list is more prudent.

Commissioner Goldstein said he is in favor of the Resolution but maybe a moment silence might be better to avoid litigation. Commissioner Goldstein made a motion to go to a moment of silence.

Mayor Fultz asked for action on the current resolution first.

Commissioner Howell made a motion to adopt **RESOLUTION 2020-27**.

Commissioner Curtis Gibson asked Mr. Galloway if the current resolution is defensible. Mr. Galloway said its defensible but there is case law out there that could be against it.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson said he wasn't scared of the possibility of litigation. We have three options before them, the current Resolution, a rotating list and a moment of silence. He would like to think these things through. He would like to recommend tabling this.

Commissioner Howell rescinded her motion.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson made a motion to table **RESOLUTION 2020-27**. Commissioner Howell 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.

Mayor Fultz asked how the Resolution should be redone. Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson recommended that we discuss this at the next workshop.

9.II. RESOLUTION 2020-28 - Local Mitigation Strategy

[Begin Agenda Memo]

SYNOPSIS:

The City Commission will consider adoption of Resolution 2020-28, The Polk County Multi-jurisdictional Local Mitigation Strategy.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission adopt Resolution 2020-28

BACKGROUND

The Polk County Local Mitigation Strategy is a multi-jurisdictional plan that must be updated and adopted by all local governments every 5 years. The City of Lake Wales last adopted a similar resolution in 2015. The Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 requires that such document exists in order for local governments to apply for Hazard Mitigation Grants and Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grants. The purpose of the Local Mitigation Strategy is to develop an ongoing strategy for reducing a community's vulnerability to identified natural, technological and human-caused hazards. All jurisdictions covered by this plan must actively participate in the creation of the document.

OTHER OPTIONS

Do not adopt Resolution

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact

[End Agenda Memo]

Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk, read **RESOLUTION 2020-28** by title only.

RESOLUTION 2020-28

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAKE WALES APPROVING THE POLK COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY PLAN, SPECIFICALLY THE PORTION IDENTIFIED AS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF OUR CITY, BY PURSUING AVAILABLE FUNDING FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SAID PLAN AND CONTINUING TO SUPPORT THIS PLAN BY COMMITTING PARTICIPATION OF KEY CITY STAFF TO FUTURE EXPANSIONS AND UPDATES OF THE POLK COUNTY LOCAL MITIGATION STRATEGY PLAN, RECOGNIZING THAT THE CITY OF LAKE WALES IS RESPONSIBLE TO ITS RESIDENTS, BUSINESSES AND INSTITUTIONS IN THE AFTERMATH OF EMERGENCIES AND DISASTERS; AND PROVIDING FOR AND EFFECTIVE DATE.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson made a motion to approve **RESOLUTION 2020-28**. Commissioner Goldstein seconded the motion.

By Roll call vote:

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

9.III. ORDINANCE 2020-17 Pay Plan

SYNOPSIS:

The City Commission will consider amending Sections 2-233 and 2-234 of the City Code relating to employee pay and classification.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Commission take the following action(s):

1. Approve Ordinance 2020-17 upon first reading.

BACKGROUND

The City adopted a pay and classification plan in 1994 to govern the compensation of employees. Staff is requesting the Commission to amend Sections 2-233 and 2-234 of the City Code to remove any ambiguity that exists. The pay and classification schedule has been provided to the Commission each year as part of the City's annual budget to meet the requirements of Sections 2-233 and 2-234 of City Code.

Based on the current Code, the City Manager is authorized to approve pay adjustments for employees where such adjustments fall within the approved salary ranges in the pay and classification plan. As prescribed in the City's Charter, the City Commission is responsible for creating City departments. The City Manager is responsible for administration of the departments, for making personnel decisions, and for establishing employee salaries.

The intent of this amendment is to ensure straightforward compliance with City Code and to provide a concise policy based on a guidance from the City Commission.

OTHER OPTIONS

Direct staff to bring forth other items for Commission consideration.

FISCAL IMPACT

None

[End Agenda Memo]

Jennifer Nanek, City Clerk, read **ORDINANCE 2020-17** by title only.

ORDINANCE 2020-17

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, LAKE WALES CODE OF ORDINANCES;
AMENDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PAY AND CLASSIFICATION TO THE PAY AND CLASSIFICATION PLAN; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Commissioner Curtis Gibson asked if the City Manager will have to come before the Commission to explain changes in salaries. James Slaton, Interim City Manager, said no and we haven't been doing this. Commissioner Curtis Gibson said changes to the ranges should come before the Commission as stated in the Ordinance. This needs to be followed. Mr. Slaton said this streamlines things. The pay classification schedule is approved along with the budget and has been since 1994. The Charter is clear that the City Manager sets salaries.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson said the Ordinance has not been complied with. The Commission should not be involved in salaries. The ranges are included in the budget and then the Commission can ask the City Manager to justify the ranges. With that information they judge the City Manager. This is a change we should make.

Commissioner Howell expressed concern about a City Manager changing salaries after budget is approved. Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson said if that happens we evaluate the City Manager accordingly. This Ordinance just addresses setting the ranges.

Commissioner Curtis Gibson said the Ordinances need to be followed. We want to be sure the City Manager follows what is written. We do need to be competitive with our salaries. The Commission does approve salaries in the budget.

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson made a motion to approve **ORDINANCE 2020-17** after first reading. Commissioner Goldstein seconded the motion.

By Roll Call vote:

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "NO"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion passed 5-0.

9.IV. Board Appointments: Citizens And Police Community Relations Advisory Committee

[Begin Agenda Memo]

SYNOPSIS: Appointments to fill vacancies on the newly reestablished Citizens and Police Community Relations Advisory Committee

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Mayor and Commission to make the following appointments to the Citizens

and Police Community Relations Advisory Committee as deemed appropriate.

1. Appoint Narvell Peterson for a term ending June 30, 2022
2. Appoint Andy Oguntola for a term ending June 30, 2021
3. Appoint Dwight Wilson for a term ending June 30, 2022
4. Appoint Jim "moe" Moyer for a term ending June 30, 2021
5. Appoint Tiffany Davis for a term ending June 30, 2022

BACKGROUND

On August 4, 2020 the City Commission adopted Resolution 2020-25 re-establishing the Citizens and Police Community Relations Advisory Committee

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).

Citizens and Police Community Relations Advisory Committee (Res 2020-25)

The committee shall consist of 6 members, each of whom will serve a two-year term. A quorum shall require the presence of four members. Appointments - Each Commissioner shall recommend one appointment to the Mayor. The Mayor's appointments will then be subject to approval by the City Commission. One member shall be an active police officer serving in the Lake Wales Police Department and shall be appointed by the chief of police. Citizen members shall serve no more than two consecutive terms.

With the exception of the initial appointments, terms shall begin on July 1 and expire two years later on June 30. So that term expiration dates may be staggered, the initial term of two citizen members shall expire on June 30, 2021 and the initial term of three citizen members shall expire on June 30, 2022. Initial terms of all members shall begin upon appointment.

- Appointees must be electors and residents of the City of Lake Wales
- 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: 6 Vacancies due to expiration of terms and Board Expansion.

Current Members: None

Applying for appointment: Andy Oguntola, resident nominated by Mayor Gene Fultz for a term expiring on 6/30/2021.

Applying for appointment: Narvell Peterson, resident nominated by Commissioner Terry Howell for a term expiring on 6/30/2022.

Applying for appointment: Dwight Wilson, resident nominated by Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson for a term expiring on 6/30/2022.

Applying for appointment: Jim "moe" Moyer, resident nominated by Commissioner Goldstein for a term expiring on 6/30/2021

Applying for Appointment: Tiffany Davis, resident nominated by Commissioner Curtis Gibson for a term expiring on 6/30/2022.

OPTIONS

Do not appoint those that have applied.

FISCAL IMPACT

None. These are volunteer boards.

[End Agenda Memo]

Commissioner Howell made a motion to appoint these to the Citizens and Police Community Relations Advisory Committee. Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson seconded the motion.

By Voice vote:

Commissioner Howell "YES"

Deputy Mayor Robin Gibson "YES"

Commissioner Goldstein "YES"

Commissioner Curtis Gibson "YES"

Mayor Fultz "YES"

Motion Passed 5-0.

Jennifer Nanek City Clerk, reported that Deputy Chief Troy Schulze will be the Police Department representative on the board.

10. CITY ATTORNEY

Albert Galloway, Jr., City Attorney, said there is no pending litigation but will look into the letter received earlier concerning the invocation to discuss further at the next workshop.

11. CITY MANAGER

The Kiwanis Christmas Parade and Martin Luther King Day festivities have been canceled.

11.I. Tracking Report

Tomorrow there will be a virtual open house on the Crystal Lake Park Trail Connector. August 20 at 5:30 p.m.

We have received all responses to the Park and Trail Master Plans Request for Qualifications. A contract will be brought to the Commission for approval at the next meeting.

11.II. Social Media Tracking Report

11.III. Commission Meeting Calendar

James Slaton, Interim City Manager, said there are no meetings next week. The next workshop will be on September 2 and the first Budget Hearing is Wednesday September 9.

12. CITY COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Goldstein said he hopes we can come to an understanding regarding our chaplain. He said he hopes we can get out of these zoom meetings. We need to get everyone together.

Commissioner Curtis Gibson introduced Tiffany Davis, his appointee to the Citizens and Police Advisory Board. In regards to the invocation we need to look again at this. He is not afraid of someone watching us. Its okay to disagree and he is okay to stand on his own on certain issues. commissioner Curtis Gibson said he toured the Park Water Company and spoke to the owner. This is a good decision for us to purchase this plant. Seeing it in person is a different story.

Commissioner Howell said she hopes we are working on the lights. We need to address the weeds in the lake. We need swimming lessons at the Y.

13. MAYOR COMMENTS

Mayor Fultz thanked Mr. Galloway for his work on the invocation resolution. We are taking a step back to look at this and discuss our options next time.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Mayor

ATTEST

City Clerk