

On Monday, February 8, 2021 at 6:00 p.m., the City of Wauchula Commission met for its regular meeting.

Nadaskay called the meeting to order.

Commissioners present were Mayor Pro-Tem Neda Cobb, Russell Smith, Mayor Keith Nadaskay, Sherri Albritton and Gary Smith.

Also present were City Manager Terry Atchley, Assistant City Manager/Finance Director Sandee Braxton, Assistant City Manager/Police Chief John Eason, Community Development Director Kyle Long, Director of Project Management and Procurement Ward Grimes and City Clerk Holly Smith. Deputy City Manager Olivia Minshew and City Attorney Thomas Cloud attended the meeting virtually.

Nadaskay declared a quorum.

Approval of Agenda

Albritton motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Cobb.

With no discussion, Nadaskay asked for all in favor, all responded aye.

Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes for the January 11, 2021 Meeting

G. Smith motioned to approve all minutes as presented, seconded by Albritton.

With no discussion, Nadaskay asked for all in favor, all responded aye.

Motion carried.

This meeting is also being held virtually.

All virtual attendees will be muted upon entry to the meeting. If you wish to participate during public comment, please raise your hand and you will be unmuted.

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ORDINANCES/PUBLIC HEARINGS

Ordinances/Public Hearings

Ordinance 2021-02 – 1st Reading – Future Land Use Map Amendment of 1.73 Acres Hardee Crossings Development Hwy 17N and Stenstrom

Long addressed the Commission and explained the Ordinance.

Attorney Cloud read Ordinance 2021-02 by title only.

Cobb motioned to approve Ordinance 2021-02, seconded by Albritton.

With no further discussion, Nadaskay called for a roll call vote, all responded aye.

For those opposed like sign, no response. Motion carried.

Ordinance 2021-03 – 1st Reading – Rezone of 1.73 Acres Hardee Crossings Development Hwy 17N and Stenstrom

Attorney Cloud read Ordinance 2021-03 by title only.

Albritton motioned to approve Ordinance 2021-03, seconded by G. Smith.

With no further discussion, Nadaskay called for a roll call vote, all responded aye.

For those opposed like sign, no response. Motion carried.

Emergency Ordinance 2021-05 – Public Hearing – Electronic Attendance

Nadaskay announced the Public Hearing and asked anyone who wished to speak to identify themselves for the record and address the Commission.

Hearing no comment from the public, Nadaskay closed the Public Hearing.

Attorney Cloud read Emergency Ordinance 2021-05 by title only.

Albritton motioned to approve Emergency Ordinance 2021-05, seconded by Cobb.

R. Smith asked if a different ordinance would need to be enacted for a different state of emergency.

Nadaskay replied he had the same question. Cloud stated it was intentionally drafted narrowly because we are taking an unusual action. An action that was not recognized one way or the other within the City Charter. Cloud stated if the Commission wanted to broaden it, he would do it as an amendment to the Charter to allow for this type of virtual meeting and other kind of emergencies. Cloud added for now this particular act and the reason it was deemed as an emergency was due to the rising cases of COVID-19 within Central Florida. Cloud stated it felt it was defensible and was more narrowly defensible if it was narrowly drawn.

With no further discussion, Nadaskay called for a roll call vote, all responded aye.

For those opposed like sign, no response. Motion carried.

City Manager/Non-Consent

Announce Power Cost Adjustment

Atchley announced the PCA for February should be \$0.015, the same as the prior month.

The tax-exempt portion should be \$0.017, the same as the prior month.

Resolution 2021-01 – FDOT SCOP Agreement 46117-1-54-1 Melendy Street from 7th Avenue to 10th Avenue

Minshew addressed the Commission and explained Resolution 2021-01.

G. Smith motioned to approve Resolution 2021-01, seconded by Cobb.

Albritton asked why Melendy Street was chosen. Minshew replied it was based on the scoring/ranking of the pavement analysis.

With no further discussion, Nadaskay asked for all in favor, all responded aye.

Motion carried.

EDA Grant Agreement for Feasibility Study

Atchley addressed the Commission and explained the feasibility study with all the Cities within Hardee County and with Hardee County Board of County Commissioners. The grant would not exceed \$300,000.

R. Smith motioned to approve the EDA grant agreement for feasibility study, seconded by Albritton.

With no further discussion, Nadaskay asked for all in favor, all responded aye.

Motion carried.

Surplus Vehicles

Grimes addressed the Commission and explained the request to surplus certain vehicles.

R. Smith asked if the City of Bowling Green or Zolfo Springs was interested in any of the surplus vehicles.

Atchley replied we were waiting on the Commission to deem them as surplus. R. Smith stated he would like us to ask them if either one of the municipalities were in need of them.

G. Smith motioned to approve the surplus of the vehicles, seconded by Albritton.

With no discussion, Nadaskay called for all in favor, all responded aye.

For those opposed like sign, no response. Motion carried.

CITY MANAGER, CONSENT AGENDA

Allowing Early Lease Termination for DCF

Acceptance of 2019/2020 Annual Report as Presented at the February 1, 2021 Workshop

Cobb motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, seconded by R. Smith.

Albritton asked about Crane Park and shipping containers. Long briefly explained the project and storage container regulations.

With no discussion, Nadaskay called for all in favor, all responded aye.

For those opposed like sign, no response. Motion carried.

COMMENTS FROM CITY ATTORNEY, COMMISSIONERS, OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS AND CITIZENS

Cobb gave updates on CFRPC and the Ridge League of Cities.

With no further business to discuss, Nadaskay adjourned the Commission Workshop at 6:39 p.m.

Mayor Richard K. Nadaskay Jr.

City Clerk Holly Smith