

On Monday, April 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m., the City of Wauchula Commission met for its regular meeting in the Commission Chambers at 225 East Main Street, Suite 105, Wauchula.

Nadaskay called the meeting to order.

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

Also present were Interim City Manager Olivia Minshew, Assistant City Manager/Police Chief John Eason, Director of Project Management and Procurement Ward Grimes, Director of Support Services & Internal Auditing James Braddock, CRA Director Jessica Newman, Communication Coordinator Katie Wheeler, Finance Director Martha Felix, City Attorney Kristie Hatcher-Bolin and City Clerk Stephanie Camacho.

Nadaskay declared a quorum.

Approval of Agenda

Albritton motioned to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by G. Smith.

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

Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes from the March 6, 2023 Workshop and March 13, 2023 Meeting

Cobb motioned to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by G. Smith.

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

Motion carried.

Minshew gave the virtual meeting statement.

PUBLIC COMMENT

PRESENTATION

Water and Wastewater Utility Rate Study

Minshew addressed the Commission and stated Bryan Mantz, consultant to the City, has completed a full rate study and was present to provide a review.

Bryan Mantz – GovRates

Mantz presented the results of the Water and Wastewater Utility Rate Study.

Strategic Plan Dashboard

Minshew addressed the Commission and presented updates on the City's strategic plan.

CITY MANAGER/NON-CONSENT

Acentria Consulting Services Agreement – Avail Benefits

Minshew addressed the Commission and explained that, after discussion at the workshop, the attorney brought up a suggestion to just amend the contract instead of providing notice of termination. Minshew stated this suggestion was agreed upon and asked the Commission to direct staff and Avail to work on an amendment to the contract with Acentria.

G. Smith motioned to direct staff and Avail to work on an amended contract, seconded by Albritton.

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

Harvest Aviation Rental Credit Request

Grimes addressed the Commission and explained Harvest Aviation selected All Partitions as their vendor for material. The cost for material is \$5,249. Harvest Aviation estimated labor to cost \$200. Total cost for material and labor would be \$5,449. Harvest Aviation is asking for a rental credit of this amount. Grimes explained Harvest Aviation pays a monthly rental fee of \$975. Therefore, they would have 5 months credited at \$975 and the last month would be credited at \$574.

Cobb motioned to approve the rental credit request, seconded by Albritton.

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

Motion carried.

Auditor Selection Committee Establishment

Minshaw addressed the Commission with a quick recap of committee member requirements. Nadaskay said he was willing to serve on the committee as the required City Official.

Albritton motioned to approve the 4 submitted names and Nadaskay for the Auditor Selection Committee, seconded by G. Smith.

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

Motion carried.

Resolution 23-08 Opposing the Adoption of House Bill 1331 and Senate Bill 1380

Minshaw addressed the Commission and explained the language of what these bills are proposing and how it would impact the City, as well as citizen's outside of the city limits that receive our services.

Albritton motioned to oppose the adoption of House Bill 1331 and Senate Bill 1380, seconded by Cobb.

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

Motion carried.

CITY MANAGER, CONSENT AGENDA

ITB 23-01 Award Project for Administrative/PD Building Roof Repair

Cobb motioned to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by G. Smith.

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

Motion carried.

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

Nadaskay recessed the Commission Meeting and called to order the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Wauchula Community Redevelopment Agency

Approval of Minutes from the March 6, 2023 Workshop and March 13, 2023 Meeting

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

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

Motion carried.

RFP CRA 23-01 Award Contract for Architectural Services

Albritton motioned to approve the award contract for RFP CRA 23-01, seconded by Cobb.

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

Motion carried.

CRA-IDA Highway 17 Planning Interlocal Agreement

Newman addressed the Commission and explained The Development Group began working with the CRA several months ago to study various areas of economic development. Newman stated Denise Grimsley was present to answer any questions. Nadaskay stated he liked the approach of them working together on this. Albritton asked when results of the study would be expected. Newman stated it depends on when they can start. That they can begin moving forward once the study is approved by both boards. Newman also stated the study would help the City with a multitude of future projects. R. Smith asked if DOT would be involved. Newman stated, yes. Grimsley commented DOT has agreed to be involved in this study from day one.

G. Smith motioned to approve the CRA-IDA Highway 17 Interlocal Agreement, seconded by Cobb.

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

Motion carried.

Student Business Fair Recap

Newman presented a video and provided a recap. Newman stated this event started 5 years ago with approximately 13 vendors and this year there were 35 vendors. Newman stated the vendors are judged on a number of things and this year's Best Overall winner will get to attend the Hardee County Chamber of Commerce Lunch & Learn.

Nadaskay adjourned the Wauchula Community Redevelopment Agency Board Meeting and reconvened the Commission Meeting**Approval of the Wauchula Community Redevelopment Agency Board's Actions**

Albritton motioned to approve the Wauchula Community Redevelopment Agency Board's actions, seconded by Cobb.

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

Motion carried.

Minshew stated she recently attended the Florida League of Cities Action Days and those meetings went well. Minshew also explained to the Commission anyone with a City of Wauchula email address should be receiving an email from KnowBe4 to complete a phishing email training program.

Albritton commended Minshew for her presentation at State of the County.

With no further business to discuss, Nadaskay adjourned the Commission Meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Mayor Richard K. Nadaskay, Jr.

City Clerk Stephanie Camacho