

City of Davenport Commission Minutes of May 6, 2024

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City of Davenport, Florida, held Monday, May 6, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in the Commission Room after having been properly advertised with the following members present: Mayor Brynn Summerlin and Vice-Mayor Jeremy Clark. Commission Members: Bobby Lynch, and Donna Fellows-Coffey. Also present: City Manager Kelly Callihan and City Attorney Tom Cloud. Absent and excused was Linda Robinson.

Mayor Summerlin declared a quorum present and opened the meeting with an invocation and a salute to the flag.

PROCLAMATIONS

The following Proclamations were read out loud by the City Clerk and presented to those in attendance.

- City Clerk Week
- Community Action Month
- Lupus Awareness Month
- Mental Health Awareness Month
- National Day of Prayer

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

Motion by Vice-Mayor Clark and seconded by Commissioner Fellows-Coffey to approve the Order of Business. Motion carried unanimously with no discussion.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Mayor asked if there was anyone who wished to address the City Commission on anything not on the Agenda.

Scott Woodlee of 1636 Aspen Drive accepted the invitation and shared that as instructed, he had gotten with the Davenport Historical Society and together they had come up with the following plan for Memorial Day. If approved, they would like to set up the Missing Man table for May 24th and 25th at the Tom Fellows Community Center. They would also recognize the six Polk County residents that died in the war on terrorism in Iraq and Afghanistan, and the 358 total in Florida who made the ultimate sacrifice. Along with that, they would give out poppy pins during these two days.

On May 27th they would like to do a wreath laying ceremony at 9:00 a.m. at the Medal of Honor Memorial at Wilson Park. He was also working on a guest speaker. They would read the name of the six Polk County residents who made the ultimate sacrifice and mention the 358 from Florida while playing Taps. He would also like either the Mayor or City Manager to do the wreath laying.

He also asked if the city could post this on their Facebook page or write an article. He also informed them that there would be no cost to the city. He had taken care of everything.

The Mayor thanked him for their presentation. Instead of outside under a tent, he suggested that they place the Missing Man table inside the facility to honor them properly.

The Mayor entertained a motion to instruct staff to support this. The motion was provided by Commissioner Fellows-Coffey and seconded by Commissioner Lynch and carried unanimously.

Mr. Woodlee also wanted to thank the Mayor again and stated that the signs were now up at Horizon Elementary School.

He also informed them that he was doing a segment called 25 to Broadcast to try to get people onto Zoom. He asked if the city could promote it on their Facebook page. The Mayor told him that he wanted more than 25.

He also asked for an update on the CDD agreement. The Attorney informed him that he had sent a redraft of the agreement back on Friday.

He also thanked Commissioner Robinson for attending the Neighborhood Watch meeting.

He also presented the following employees with an 82nd Airborne Division coin.

- City Planner Raymond Perez for helping him and answering all his questions.
- Utilities Director Mike Stripling for meeting with him and discussing the water issues.

He also had a coin for Jay Jarvis with the County to thank him for all his help in getting everything done. He asked if the city could make sure he got it.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Lynch and seconded by Vice-Mayor Clark to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of the April 15, 2024 Planning Commission and the April 15, 2024 Regular Meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

- 1. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1265 ASSIGNING THE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION TO US HIGHWAY 17/92 (IGLESIA CRISTIANA PENTECOSTAL QUEBRANTANDO YUGOS INC) FROM POLK COUNTY CONVENIENCE CENTER (CC) TO CITY COMMERCE ACTIVITY CENTER (CAC)**

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1265 by title.

City Planner Raymond Perez explained that this was the second reading of Ordinance No. 1265 and there had been no changes since first read.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Clark and seconded by Commissioner Fellows-Coffey to approve Ordinance No. 1265 on second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously.

2. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1266 ASSIGNING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION TO US HIGHWAY 17/92 (IGLESIA CRISTIANA PENTECOSTAL QUEBRANTANDO YUGOS INC) FROM POLK COUNTY CONVENIENCE CENTER (CC) TO CITY COMMERCIAL NEIGHBORHOOD (C-1)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1266 by title.

Raymond explained that this was the second reading of Ordinance No. 1266 and there had been no changes since first read.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Commissioner Fellows-Coffey and seconded by Commissioner Lynch to approve Ordinance No. 1266 on second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously.

3. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1267 ASSIGNING THE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION TO 627 POWERLINE ROAD FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL SUBURBAN (RS) TO CITY RESIDENTIAL MEDIUM (RM)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1267 by title.

Raymond explained that this was the second reading of Ordinance No. 1267 and there had been no changes since first read.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Commissioner Lynch and seconded by Vice-Mayor Clark to approve Ordinance No. 1267 on second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously.

4. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1268 ASSIGNING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION TO 627 POWERLINE ROAD FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL SUBURBAN (RS) TO CITY LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL (R-5)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1268 by title.

Raymond explained that this was the second reading of Ordinance No. 1268 and there had been no changes since first read.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Clark and seconded by Commissioner Fellows-Coffey to approve Ordinance No. 1269 on second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously.

5. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1269 ASSIGNING THE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION TO 401 WEST BAY STREET FROM CITY RESIDENTIAL LOW (RL) TO CITY COMMERCE ACTIVITY CENTER (CAC)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1269 by title.

Raymond explained that this was the second reading of Ordinance No. 1269 and there had been no changes since first read.

The Mayor opened the Public Hearing.

Jose Luciano of 401 West Bay Street and the owner of the property informed them that he had paid for the broken sidewalk to get it paved. This had not been done by him but had fixed it to show them that he was there to be a good neighbor. He had also reached out to staff at the Tom Fellows Community Center about advertising and sponsorships. Mr. Luciano stated that his main goal was to be successful in the state and to provide jobs and bring more money into the city and keeping that money in town.

There being no one else, the Mayor closed the Public Hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Lynch and seconded by Vice-Mayor Clark to approve on second and final reading Ordinance No. 1269.

Commissioner Fellows-Coffey asked what would happen 5 or 10 years from now if he decided to sell the property. They had already zoned it commercial. Had they given any consideration to do a conditional use permit because if someone bought it and wanted to revert it back to residential, it would be a whole lot harder for them to change it back. Raymond responded that if it changed hands, they had the right and flexibility to change it back to residential.

There being no other discussion, the Mayor called for the vote. Motion carried unanimously.

6. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1270 ASSIGNING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION TO 401 WEST BAY STREET FROM CITY SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL (RE-2) TO CITY COMMERCIAL HIGHWAY (C-3)

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1270 by title.

Raymond explained that this was the second reading of Ordinance No. 1270 and there had been no changes since first read.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Vice-Mayor Clark and seconded by Commissioner Lynch to approve Ordinance No. 1270 on second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously.

7. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1271 ASSIGNING THE LAND USE CLASSIFICATION TO 1027 MYSTERY HOUSE ROAD

**FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL SUBURBAN (RS) TO CITY COMMERCE
ACTIVITY CENTER (CAC)**

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1271 by title.

Raymond explained that this was the second reading of Ordinance No. 1271 and there had been no changes since first read.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Commissioner Fellows-Coffey and seconded by Vice-Mayor Clark to approve Ordinance No. 1271 on second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously.

**8. PUBLIC HEARING AND SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 1272
ASSIGNING THE ZONING CLASSIFICATION TO 1027 MYSTERY HOUSE ROAD
FROM POLK COUNTY RESIDENTIAL SUBURBAN (RS) TO CITY COMMERCIAL
HIGHWAY (C-3)**

At this time the Attorney was instructed to read Ordinance No. 1272 by title.

Raymond explained that this was the second reading of Ordinance No. 1272 and there had been no changes since first read.

The Mayor opened and closed the Public Hearing with no public input.

Motion by Commissioner Lynch and seconded by Commissioner Fellows-Coffey to approve Ordinance No. 1272 on second and final reading. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-MAYOR

A motion was made by Commissioner Lynch and seconded by Commissioner Fellows-Coffey to keep their current Vice-Mayor Jeremy Clark. Accepting the nomination, the motion carried unanimously.

**2. APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH POLK COUNTY REGARDING THE
NORTH LAKE FITNESS TRAIL PROJECT**

Assistant City Manager Steve Hunnicutt explained that this was an Interlocal Agreement with Polk County for the North Lake Fitness project. This was required for FDOT to provide the funding for this trail. This was approved in FY2023/2024 TPO projects in the amount not to exceed \$382,000. There was no financial impact to the city.

The City Manager also added that they had gotten pricing for the sidewalk, lighting, and benches. This amount would not cover 100% but any balance would be placed in the upcoming Parks & Recreation budget.

Commissioner Fellows-Coffey asked for a proposed timeline. She was told that it would be completed by the first of the year.

Motion by Commissioner Lynch and seconded by Vice-Mayor Clark to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Polk County regarding the North Lake Fitness Trail project. Motion carried unanimously.

3. REQUEST TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF A TRAILER MOUNTED SULLAIR S185 DIESEL POWERED AIR COMPRESSOR FROM RING POWER PER FLORIDA SHERIFF'S ASSOCIATION BID IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,333.00

Utilities Director Mike Stripling explained that this was a budgeted item. It is under the Florida Sheriffs Association bid in the amount of \$33,333.00.

Motion by Commissioner Fellows-Coffey and seconded by Commissioner Lynch to approve the purchase of a trailer mounted Sullair S185 diesel powered air compressor. Motion carried unanimously.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

The City Manager announced that the Summer Newsletter would be going out in the next few days. He also drew their attention to the end of the month Departmental reports at their places and informed them that the City was hosting the Ridge League Dinner on June 13th.

He then asked Chief Parker to come up and share some news with them.

Chief Parker shared that his employees had selected Christy Demps as their employee of the Quarter. She had done a lot of hard work during their Police accreditation and they appreciated her.

He also introduced his three (3) new Police Officers, Officer Anthony Sanchez, Officer Remington Young and Kevin Spell.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT – Nothing to report.

CITY CLERK REPORT

The City Clerk reminded them of the Chamber luncheon next Thursday the 16th at the Tom Fellows Community Center.

She also told them to watch out for an email from the Commission on Ethics organization regarding the filing of their Financial Disclosure form.

She also announced the passing of former City Commissioner Kenneth McNabb.

CITY COMMISSION COMMENTS

First and foremost, Commissioner Fellows-Coffey wanted to express her thoughts and prayers to Chief "JT" Torrance as he recovered from his surgery.

Also, they had recognized their City Clerk earlier in the meeting but she wanted to personally thank Rachel for her continued service for the last 37 years. She couldn't think of working with a better Clerk than they had in Davenport. They had just given her recognition today, but she deserved recognition every day.

She also mentioned that this past weekend was National Fire Fighters Day. Their fire fighters deserved their thanks and support every day.

She shared that several Davenport youngsters that have been doing exceptionally well athletically. Davenport High School had gotten their first state championship. A Davenport resident won the weightlifting championship in their class. Another Davenport resident had placed 2nd from Global Studies Academy. The Ridge Community High School drill team, which included several Davenport residents, won 4 or 5 national championships. It was great to see their young residents doing some great positive things.

Also, one of the Proclamation regarded Mental Health. Over the last month or so she has had the opportunity to learn a lot about the mental health veterans docket that the State Attorney's office does, and she knew that he works with several of the law enforcement agencies including theirs and she wanted to thank Chief Parker for doing this. She was not aware of what great things that their law enforcement and court system were doing specifically for their veterans.

She also thanked Mr. Woodlee and Freida for coming together and their efforts on the Memorial Day plans.

She welcomed the new Police Officers and extended her sympathies to the McNabb family.

Commissioner Lynch shared that he had talked to JT, and he was doing a whole lot better. He too thanked Mr. Woodlee for coming up with the Memorial Day program.

He too wanted to thank their City Clerk for all her years of service. They had known each other a long time and she was doing a great job and served Davenport well.

Vice-Mayor Clark thanked Mr. Woodlee. He thanked the City Clerk for all her service, and thanked Steve for his work on the trail project.

He thanked their heroes, all the Firefighters and Police officers. He welcomed all the new Officers and asked them to reach out to him if they ever needed anything and he would try to do whatever he could to help them.

Mayor Summerlin told them that this city was in really good shape, and they probably had the best team of people that served the residents. They might not always agree with what they did or how they did it, but they did listen. Having said this, he shared that he had spent the weekend going to South Carolina and had gone through the Greenville-Spartanburg area. It

was a beautiful town, but they had problems, infrastructure wise. He would put their city and staff and their roads and infrastructure against anybody's anywhere at any time.

He also announced that over the next several years there were going to be some issues coming up regarding water and it wasn't just in Davenport. They have been actively working with people trying to mitigate as much as they can on the cost but there was still going to be some cost. Basically, there are people that are holding a gun to their heads and telling them that in a few years they are going to have to write them a check for millions of dollars. But it was coming, and clean water was an important thing. People fuss about only being able to water their yards once a week, but this was part of their conservation efforts. He would rather have grass turn a little brown rather than their faucet not coming on. Yes, they have spent money on wells, and they are also currently working on their own deep water well. There would be more money to treat that water once it came out of the ground, but he asked them to keep in mind that this Commission was working hard for their residents.

He was excited about the number of residents that were attending their meeting and thanked everyone for coming and for taking the time out of their schedule to see how the city works. Outside of the proclamations, it was kind of a boring meeting, but they didn't fuss, fight and argue like other Commissioners did, and if they wanted this they would have to go to other cities.

He hoped that they would continue to come to their meetings. They had many events coming up throughout the rest of the year. They also had budget coming up. They were open for business; they were open to ideas and they wanted to hear from them.

There being no other business, a motion to adjourn was made by Vice-Mayor Clark and carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Minutes are true and correct.


Raquel Castillo, City Clerk