

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CITY
COMMISSIONERS FOR THE CITY OF PORT ST. JOE, FLORIDA, HELD AT
2775 GARRISON AVENUE, September 4, 2018, AT 6:00 P.M.**

The following were present: Mayor Patterson, Commissioners Ashbrook, Hoffman, Langston, and Lowry. City Manager Jim Anderson, City Clerk Charlotte Pierce, and City Attorney Adam Albritton were also present.

CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes

A Motion was made by Commissioner Ashbrook, second by Commissioner Langston, to approve the Minutes of the Budget Workshop Meeting on August 21, 2018, the Regular Meeting of August 21, 2018, and the Budget Workshop Meeting of August 28, 2018. All in favor; Motion carried 5-0.

PORT ST. JOE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (PSJRA) In the absence of Mr. Kennedy, Commissioner Ashbrook stated the striping will begin Sunday on Reid Avenue, Avenue A, Baltzell and Long Avenues.

City Attorney - Mr. Albritton did not have anything to update the Commission on.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT – Jim Anderson

Old Business

Road Bond Money Update – Mr. Anderson noted there is approximately \$97,000 remaining to be spent and that City Engineer Clay Smallwood has priced out the cost of paving Williams Avenue as requested by Commissioner Langston and estimates the cost would run around \$85,000. The City Manager encouraged the Commissioners to get with him soon to make their wishes known on how to best utilize the remaining funds as a decision needs to be made in the next few weeks.

Community Garden – Commissioner Langston is still doing research on this project and asked that it be Tabled until the next meeting. He noted an issue with insurance on the property and will find out what is required from the St. Joe Company.

New Business

Boat Ramp Fees – Commissioner Ashbrook continues to look in to a credit card swipe or cash machine for convenience of paying the fees at the boat ramp. He is also researching ways to enforce the fee structure.

Port St. Joe High School State Championships Sign – The Commission requested that the years the championships were won be added. Commissioner Langston asked that Washington High School Championships be added to the sign.

Taxi Service – Mayor Patterson will continue working to locate a contact number for Red Line Taxi Services.

NPSJ P.A.C. Zoning Request Workshop September 27, 2018, at 5:00 P.M. - Mr. Anderson noted that City Planner, Ray Greer, will be here tomorrow to work on this project.

Public Works – John Grantland did not have anything to update the Commission on.

Surface Water Plant – Larry McClamma

Fresh Water Canal - Mr. McClamma noted that some of the logging companies continue to rip City gates out along the canal. He has contacted the St. Joe Company and they will have repairs made to the gates.

Wastewater Plant – Kevin Pettis was running the plant and unable to be at the meeting. Mr. Anderson noted that the plant is spraying due to the influx of rain.

Finance Director – Mike Lacour reminded the Commission of the First Public Hearing on the Budget, Thursday, September 6, 2018, at 5:01 P.M. in the Ward Ridge Building.

City Engineer – Clay Smallwood, III was out due to illness.

Road Paving Update – There was no update on this.

Code Enforcement no action was required.

Police Department – Sgt. Russell Burch did not have anything to update the Commission on.

City Clerk - Charlotte Pierce shared the Florida Historical Commission Grant Review will be Thursday, September 6, 2018, in Tallahassee. The Centennial Building Grant is # 8 to be heard by the panel.

Clerk Pierce shared that Bruce Ballister, Apalachee Regional Planning Council Grant Consultant for the City, will be having quadruple by-pass tomorrow and asked that the Commission remember him and the surgical team.

Mrs. Pierce noted that Open Enrollment will be September 19th and 20th and she will be contacting the Commissioners to schedule an appointment for them to be seen.

She also asked that when the State Championship Sign is being created that the team that won the state championship in the 40s be included as they have been overlooked for years because their victory was prior to the creation of the Florida High School Activities Association.

Citizens to be Heard –

Mayor Patterson noted that everyone would have a chance to speak, the three minute rule would be followed, and that Commissioners could make a Motion for an additional 3 minutes to be given to each speaker.

Commissioner Hoffman made a Motion that speakers be given an additional 3 minutes. There was no second to the Motion.

The following individuals addressed the Commission with their concerns about the 10th Street Ball Park and the Field of Dreams.

Robert Branch (provided a packet representing the settlement of his house created due to the conditions and location), Fred Morris (shared pictures of the Field of Dreams), Christy McElroy (2018 FL Limited Liability Company Annual Report 30A Market and Campground, LLC,; Detail by Officer/Registered Agent Name of 30A Market and Campground, LLC,; Dewberry Correspondence and Invoices to Gulf County for piping of the ditch between 8th and 26th Streets, and correspondence between Clay Smallwood and Warren Yeager), A. W. Rogers, Clare Morris, Jim Sickels, and Elaine Rogers.

Discussion Items by Commissioners

Commissioner Hoffman shared that in reviewing the WIG Building Water Bills, Waste Pro was charging \$336 per bill for the use of a dumpster. Contact has been made with Waste Pro to see if some adjustments can be made on this. He also noted that \$2,500 has been budgeted to the CareerSource for the Community Assistance Program.

Neither *Commissioners Lowry nor Ashbrook* had anything else to share with the Commissioners.

Commissioner Langston asked Chester Davis, the local Waste Pro contact, if an additional dumpster could be added to the gym area. Mr. Davis responded that Waste Pro has provided several dumpsters / cans at a reduced cost, individuals are dumping their items there which is taking up space, suggested that the area be fenced to prevent dumping by individuals, and he will contact his supervisors to see if anything else can be done to help.

Mayor Patterson did not have any additional updates for the Commission.

A Motion was made by Commissioner Ashbrook, second by Commissioner Lowry, to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 P.M.

Approved this 18th day of September 2018.


James "Bo" Patterson, Mayor

9/18/18
Date


Charlotte M. Pierce, City Clerk

9/18/18
Date