

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2021  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING – 5 P.M.**

**Present:**

Dan Russell, Mayor Pro Tem/Commissioner  
Judy Tinder, Commissioner  
Brandon Aldridge, Commissioner  
Pat Perno, Commissioner  
Vickie Gainer, City Manager  
Ricky Ramie, Police Chief  
Kevin Obos, City Legal Counsel

**Item #1. Call to order.** By Mayor Pro Tem Russell at 5 P.M.

**Item #2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance.** Invocation by Commissioner Aldridge.

**Item #3. Mayor Pro Tem's Report.** Mayor Pro Tem Russell stated he has been dealing with code enforcement issues. He commented on all the beautiful art supplied by area students for black history month.

**Item #4. Commissioner's Report.** Commissioner Tinder spoke voicing her difficulty in judging the artwork. She reported passing along phone calls regarding flooding in the area. She asked Commissioner Perno if he has city employees eating at his restaurant during the day. She stated she overheard a city employee say they were not allowed to eat at her restaurant. Commissioner Perno affirmed he did have city employees eating at his restaurant. Commissioner Perno also reported dealing with code enforcement issues he turned over to the City Manager. He said he has taken several calls from citizens regarding the upcoming election. He also thanked city staff and commented on the artwork and how valuable it is. Commissioner Aldridge recognized the talent of the student artists who participated. He commended the city Manager and city staff for cleaning up trash and debris in the medians on Hwy 77.

**Item #5. City Manager's Report.** City Manager Gainer recognized a Deer Pointe Elementary student who came in late. She invited the Deputy Finance Director, Kiki Roman to answer questions regarding payables. Commissioner Tinder inquired regarding two items. City Manager Gainer introduced Garret Right from the EDA to give their update. Garret spoke informing regarding a two year apprenticeship available at several local businesses including ACMT, Eastern Ship Building, Trane, and Merrick. Several commissioners inquired/commented. City Manager stated there would be a stormwater workshop open to the public on March 1<sup>st</sup>. She mentioned the Mosley signs project stating that the Commission is narrowing down the choices. She stated that FDOT contract will include the \$4.6 million grant for the Rails to Trails project. She stated that initially the City was supposed to match some of the funding but that the State will fund it at 100 percent. She said the Health Fair went well and stated that citizens would have a chance to take photos and get some of the memorabilia from Old City Hall and the Library before they are demolished.

She talked about the repairs happening at the Animal Shelter and how we are repurposing and using several of the old A/C units from various facilities to save the City money. She informed regarding current bids that are out including the ball fields, City Hall, Police Dept/ Chambers, and the sports complex.

**Item #6. City Attorney’s Report.** Kevin Obos reported that articles of dissolution have been filed with the state for the 501c 3.

**Item # 7. Public Commentary.** Mrs. Walker inquired as to where the stormwater meeting would take place. City Manager informed. She inquired regarding comments she could not hear earlier between Commissioner Tinder and Perno regarding city employees eating at their restaurants. Mayor Pro Tem informed. She inquired how long the City employees knew the Library would be demolished and when we opened the Senior Center. Mayor Pro Tem thanked her for her comments. Mr. Schultz voiced his concern about traffic issues that may result from the new drive through restaurant going in on 77 and Pennsylvania. Arlene Harrison spoke regarding the runoff at Roberts Hall. Mayor Pro Tem stated he would like to explain his actions regarding Mrs. Walkers comments. He stated that the proper protocol if a citizen has an issue with the City is to first take the problem to the City Manager or the department head. If it does not get resolved there, then they can bring it to the Commission. He said bringing issues straight to the commission without going through the proper channels first circumvents the system. Mr. Walker stated he guesses he can’t ask a question. Mayor Pro Tem corrected him. Mr. Walker went on suggesting that Mayor Pro Tem may not understand the difference between the Charter, code, ordinances, or resolutions. Jodi Moore said she noticed that questions were not taken and answered at the last meeting. She went on to state she saw both sides. Arlene Harrison stated the problems with acoustics and not being able to hear those who do not speak into their microphones. She also spoke regarding the stormwater runoff issues at Roberts Hall. She would like to have them addressed.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Item #8. Minutes: 2/09/21- regular meeting minutes**

**Item #9. Approval of the time extensions for RV’s, trailers, and pods on private property for residents affected by Hurricane Michael, in accordance with Ordinance #1071.**

**Item #10. Approval to appoint Morgan Doolittle to the Board of Adjustment.**

Motion by Commissioner Perno: To approve as presented.  
Second to the Motion: Commissioner Aldridge

On Vote:

Perno	aye	
Aldridge	aye	
Tinder	aye	
Mayor Pro Tem Russell	aye	Motion passed: 4-0

**OLD BUSINESS:**

*Public Hearing*

**Item #11. Final reading of Ordinance #1105 – Voluntary Annexation – Parcel # 11659-000-000; Diego’s.** City Manager read the Ordinance. Amanda Richard gave details.

Motion by Commissioner Aldridge: To approve as presented.  
Second to the Motion: Commissioner Perno

On Vote:

Aldridge	aye	
Perno	aye	
Tinder	aye	
Mayor Pro Tem Russell	aye	Motion passed: 4-0

*Public Hearing*

**Item #12. Final reading of Ordinance #1106 – Small Scale Future Land Use Map Amendment From Bay County Residential to City of Lynn Haven Commercial – Parcel # 11659-000-000.** City Manager Gainer read the Ordinance. Amanda Richard informed of details.

Motion by Commissioner Perno: To approve as presented.  
Second to the Motion: Commissioner Aldridge

On Vote:

Perno	aye	
Aldridge	aye	
Tinder	aye	
Mayor Pro Tem Russell	aye	Motion passed: 4-0

*Public Hearing*

**Item #13. Final reading of Ordinance #1107– Voluntary Annexation – Parcel # 11573-008-000.** City Manager Gainer read the Ordinance. Amanda Richard read the description of changes required.

Motion by Commissioner Perno: To approve as presented.  
Second to the Motion: Commissioner Aldridge

On Vote:

Perno	aye	
Tinder	aye	
Aldridge	aye	
Mayor Pro Tem Russell	aye	Motion passed: 4-0

*Public Hearing*

**Item #14. Final reading of Ordinance #1108 – Small Scale Future Land Use Map Amendment from Bay County Residential to City of Lynn Haven Mixed Use – Parcel # 11573-008-000.** City Manager read the Ordinance. Amanda Richard gave the description of the requested changes.

Motion by Commissioner Perno: To approve as presented.  
Second to the Motion: Commissioner Tinder

On Vote:

Perno	aye	
Tinder	aye	
Aldridge	aye	
Mayor Pro Tem Russell	aye	Motion passed: 4-0

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Item #15. Discussion and possible approval of Resolution #2021-02-353 amending the final**

**budget for fiscal year 2020-2021.** City Manager Gainer read the resolution. Deputy Finance Director Kiki Roman explained we are moving 2020 incomplete projects to the 2021 budget. Commissioner Tinder asked for clarification and if the funds rolling are still available. Mrs. Roman affirmed. Mr. Walker inquired regarding the CRA budget and doesn't think this board can approve but should be done at a CRA board meeting.

Motion by Commissioner Aldridge: To approve as presented.

Second to the Motion: Commissioner Perno

On Vote:

Aldridge	aye	
Perno	aye	
Tinder	aye	
Mayor Pro Tem Russell	aye	Motion passed: 4-0

**Item#16. Discussion and possible approval of Break-N-Ground as the contractor for HM-2021-01 to demolish the library and partial old city hall.** City Manager Gainer informed regarding the process of demolishing the buildings and stated that Break-N-Ground was the bid winner. Commissioner Aldridge expressed his pride in the City staff for cutting costs. Mrs. Gainer thanked city staff as well as Mr. Walker for clearing out the buildings.

Motion by Commissioner Aldridge: To approve as presented.

Second to the Motion: Commissioner Perno

On Vote:

Aldridge	aye	
Perno	aye	
Tinder	aye	
Mayor Pro Tem Russell	aye	Motion passed: 4-0

**Item #17. Discussion and possible approval of the bid for cemetery lawncare to Legendary Lawn Maintenance.** Parks and Grounds Director Ty Farris, gave details of the bid informing that Legendary Lawncare had come out on top. Commissioner Tinder stated that they listed their address on Florida Avenue and that it was an empty building. She also said that they did not have a business license. The owner of Legendary Lawn Maintenance stated that he's out of Chipley and they are not going anywhere, their prices will not change. Ty Farris explained that the City is only looking for seven months of help since the winter months do not require as much mowing. Mr. Walker stated that they are not registered on Sunbiz. Mayor Pro Tem explained that they're a DBA.

Motion by Commissioner Aldridge: To approve as presented.

Second to the Motion: Commissioner Perno

On Vote:

Aldridge	aye	
Perno	aye	
Tinder	aye	
Mayor Pro Tem Russell	aye	Motion passed: 4-0

**Item #18. Adjourn.** There was no further city business, meeting adjourned at 6:04 P.M.

APPROVED THIS 23<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF February 2021.



Dan Russell, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:



Vickie Gainer, City Manager