



REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING

July 23, 2024 @ 6:00 pm

Village of Highland Park Administration Building, 1650 Highland Park Drive North

In Attendance:

Oscar McElroy, Resident
Commissioner Amanda Updike
Commissioner Derek Camann
Mr. Ric Busbee, City Manager
Mrs. Lita O'Neill, Village Clerk
Mr. Andrew Hand, Village Attorney (via phone)

CALL TO ORDER at 6:00pm

ROLL CALL taken by Clerk Lita O'Neill

- Present: Commissioner Derek Camann, Commissioner Amanda Updike
- Absent: Mayor-Commissioner Brandon McWhorter
- The Clerk noted that the Mayor notified her in advance that he would be unable to attend.
- Cmr. Updike served as the Vice-Mayor and ran the meeting.

ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

- Motion to adopt Minutes from the June 5, 2024 Regular Commission Meeting made by Cmr. Updike, seconded by Cmr. Camann.
- Roll Call Vote taken by the Clerk. Voting in favor: Cmr. Updike, Cmr. Camann. Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Cmr. Updike opened the floor for public comment.
- Oscar McElroy, 1104 Highland Park Dr S, asked about status about fishing on Lake Amoret. Cmr. Updike responded with questions to the Attorney about a permitting process. Discussion ensued about what the most efficient system would be. Cmr. Camann noted that Mayor McWhorter was absent tonight, and Cmr. Camann was not present at the previous meeting, so the topic has been tabled until all commissioners could be present to discuss.

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS

Cmr. Camann read **RESOLUTION 2024-03** into the record by title.

“A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF HIGHLAND PARK, FLORIDA, RELATING TO THE PROVISION OF FIRE PROTECTION SERVICES, FACILITIES AND PROGRAMS IN THE VILLAGE OF HIGHLAND PARK, FLORIDA; ESTABLISHING THE RATE OF ASSESSMENT; CONFIRMING THE PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION; REIMPOSING FIRE PROTECTION ASSESSMENTS AGAINST ASSESSED PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE VILLAGE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2024; APPROVING THE ASSESSMENT ROLL; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Cmr. Updike opened the floor for public comment. Being none, the floor was closed.

Motion to approve Resolution 2024-03 made by Cmr. Updike, seconded by Cmr. Camann

Roll Call Vote taken by the Clerk. Voting in favor: Cmr. Updike, Cmr. Camann. Motion passed.

DISCUSSION ITEM, MEETINGS (REGULAR AND WORK SESSIONS) ON WEDNESDAYS

The Commission considered a motion to adopt meeting schedule with regular meetings every other month on 4th Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. and work sessions to be held every other month on 4th Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m.

Cmr. Updike opened the floor for public comment. Being none, the floor was closed.

Motion made by Cmr. Updike, seconded by Cmr. Camann

Roll Call Vote taken by the Clerk. Voting in favor: Cmr. Updike, Cmr. Camann. Motion passed.

QUESTIONS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Commission Work Session scheduled to discuss FY 2024-2025 Budget – 8/28/2024 at 6 p.m.
- Proposed Truth-in-Millage (TRIM) meetings for FY 2024-2025 will take place as follows:
 - a. Tentative Budget Hearing/Proposed Millage Rate – 9/11/2024 at 6 p.m.
 - b. Hearing for Adoption of Final Millage Rate/Budget – 9/25/2024 at 6 p.m.

TREASURER’S REPORT None

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT None

ADJOURNMENT at 6:16 p.m.

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