

CITY COMMISSION

OFFICIAL AGENDA

February 17, 2009

Regular Meeting

6:00 p.m.

1. **INVOCATION**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**
February 3, 2009, Regular Meeting

MAYOR

5. **Commendations for Police Officers**
 - a. Officer Michael Smith and Detective Tiffany Holden identified and arrested suspects in the W-2 fraud case.
 - b. Detectives Ben Metz and David Black tracked and arrested a suspect in a sexual battery case involving a minor through three states.

CITY MANAGER

6. **Ordinance 2009-04, Police & Fire Pension Plan Amendment, Investment Policy Changes – 1st Reading**
Allows broader investment opportunity for the Police Pension Plan and Fire Pension Plan portfolios by removing the restriction that investments must be rated “A” or better. The amendment will allow plan investment managers to invest in fixed income products that are rated investment grade (i.e., A to BBB).
7. **Ordinance 2009-05, Amending Chapter 16, Pension & Retirement - General Employees’ Pension Plan – 1st Reading**
Allows any retiree who is receiving a benefit calculated under a joint-benefit option to have the benefit recalculated if he or she survives the death of the beneficiary.
8. **Ordinance 2009-07, Ordinance 2009-07, FY08'09 Budget Amendment #1, 2nd Reading & Public Hearing**
First amendment of the FY08'09 Budget adopted on September 16, 2008
9. **Schedule Special Meeting to Certify Official Ballot**
The City Commission needs to schedule a special meeting to certify the official ballot at the end of the qualifying period.
10. **Reschedule 1st Regular Commission Meeting in April**
It is necessary for the City Commission to reschedule its first regular commission meeting in April to allow for the City Canvassing Board (City Commission) to canvass absentee envelopes and precinct returns on April 7 at the Election Headquarters in Bartow.
11. **Selection of a Representative for L&A Testing**
The Logic and Accuracy (L&A) testing is necessary to make sure the automatic tabulating equipment used by the Elections Supervisor for the April 7 Municipal Election will correctly count the votes cast in the Election. If at least one member of the Canvassing Board (the City Commission) is unable to witness the L&A testing the City Clerk should be appointed to represent the Board in their absence.
12. **LWCF Grant Application for Swimming Pool**
The Land and Water Conservation Fund grant application requests funding in the amount of \$200,000 towards the cost of constructing a municipal swimming pool.

13. **Write-off Uncollectible Receivable Accounts**
Write-off bad debt for 745 uncollectible accounts receivables totaling \$107,452.50 for utility services and solid waste services. Bad debt write-off has not been completed since 09/28/05.
14. **Discussion of Financial Statements for January 31, 2009, Fiscal Year to Date**
The financial statements report revenues received and expenditures made since October 1, 2009. At the end of January we have completed 1/3 of the fiscal year and are running slightly behind target in both revenues and expenditures.

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15. **Appointment of Election Officials**
It is necessary that the City Commission appoint inspectors and a clerk of election to keep the polling places open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. for the City Election to be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2009.
16. **Interlocal agreement for disposal of solid waste between the Polk County BOCC; and the City of Lake Wales Franchise Agreement Addendum: Republic Services of Florida L.P. Florida Refuse**
This interlocal agreement is offered by Polk County BOCC to provide a discount on "Class 1" disposal fees in exchange for a 10 year commitment to use the county landfill. City staff has added a companion addendum to the City's existing Florida Refuse contract for the pass-through of the rebate to the City on a monthly basis.
17. **Aquatic Weed Control License Agreement between the City of Lake Wales and the Southwest Florida Water Management District**
The Southwest Florida Water Management District will be spraying properties along the Peace Creak Drainage canal for the purpose of maintaining the flow capacity of the canal. This is a free service but the district has to have permission from property owners to spray the area.
18. **Amendment to the Lake Ashton/Winter Haven Interconnect**
An amendment is needed to the contract with Winter Haven to construct the water interconnect at Lake Ashton above ground.
19. **MXU Transmitter Purchase**
Purchase of 400 additional MXU transmitters for installation on approximately 800 water meters as a part of the City's continuing program to switch to automatically read water meters.
20. **Actuarial Services Agreement between Foster & Foster, Inc. and the City of Lake Wales**
This agreement provides for the preparation of disclosure information specified in new requirements contained in GASB 43 and 45, pertaining to the value of health insurance benefits offered to City retirees.
21. **Postage Machine Lease Renewal with Pitney Bowes, Inc**
This 48-month lease agreement continues the existing postage machine lease with Pitney Bowes.

COMMUNICATIONS AND PETITION

City Commission Tracking Report

(The full staff memo will be incorporated into the official record)

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Persons who wish to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to any matter considered during a public hearing at this meeting will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose may need to ensure that verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based.