



City of North Port

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NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Minutes City Commission Regular Meeting

CITY COMMISSIONERS

Phil Stokes, Mayor

Pete Emrich, Vice Mayor

Barbara Langdon, Commissioner

David Duval, Commissioner

Demetrius Petrow, Commissioner

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Jerome Fletcher, City Manager

Michael Golen, Interim City Attorney

Heather Faust, City Clerk

Thursday, March 6, 2025

4:00 PM

City Commission Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stokes called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: 5 - Vice Mayor Pete Emrich, Commissioner David Duval, Commissioner Demetrius Petrow, Commissioner Barbara Langdon and Mayor Philip Stokes

ALSO PRESENT

City Manager Fletcher, Interim City Attorney Golen, Assistant City Clerk Powell, Board Specialist Lane, Police Commander Lyon, Deputy Fire Chief Lane, Risk and Benefits Manager Knowles, and Marketing and Engagement Manager Ansel.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Marketing and Engagement Manager Laura Ansel.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Emrich, seconded by Commissioner Langdon, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Vice Mayor Emrich, Commissioner Duval, Commissioner Petrow, Commissioner Langdon and Mayor Stokes

2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

3. WELCOME OF NEW EMPLOYEES:

[25-1980](#)

Welcome New Employees

Mayor Stokes announced the item.

Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.

Ms. Knowles acknowledged new employees.

4. PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

[25-1726](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming March 2025 as Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Month, to be Presented to the City of North Port Human Resources Department.

Commission presented this proclamation.

[25-1831](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming February 21, 2025, as Government Communicators Day, to be Presented to the City of North Port Communications Division.

Commission presented this proclamation.

[25-1847](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming March 14, 2025 as International Grant Professionals Day, to be Presented to the City of North Port Grants Division.

Commission presented this proclamation.

[25-1936](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming March 10 through March 16, 2025, as Flood Awareness Week, to be Presented to the City of North Port Development Services Department.

Commission presented this proclamation.

[25-1948](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 25, 2025, as National Arbor Day, to be Presented to the City of North Port Development Services Natural Resources Division.

Commission presented this proclamation.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Stokes adjourned the meeting at 4:22 p.m.

By: _____
Phil Stokes, Mayor

Attest: _____
Heather Faust, City Clerk