



# City of North Port

4970 CITY HALL BLVD  
NORTH PORT, FL 34286

## Meeting Minutes City Commission Regular Meeting

### **CITY COMMISSIONERS**

*Alice White, Mayor*

*Phil Stokes, Vice Mayor*

*Pete Emrich, Commissioner*

*Barbara Langdon, Commissioner*

*Debbie McDowell, Commissioner*

### **APPOINTED OFFICIALS**

*Jerome Fletcher, City Manager*

*Amber L. Slayton, City Attorney*

*Heather Faust, City Clerk*

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Thursday, April 4, 2024

4:00 PM

City Commission Chambers

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

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

### **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** 4 - Commissioner Debbie McDowell, Mayor Alice White, Vice Mayor Philip Stokes and Commissioner Barbara Langdon

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Pete Emrich

### **Also Present:**

City Manager Fletcher, Assistant City Attorney Ryan, City Clerk Faust, Captain Fussell, Fire Chief Titus, and Human Resources Manager Hope

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Krista Fowler.

### **1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor White requested a motion to approve the agenda.

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

**Yes:** 4 - Commissioner McDowell, Mayor White, Vice Mayor Stokes and Commissioner Langdon

**Absent:** 1 - Commissioner Emrich

### **2. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

**3. WELCOME OF NEW EMPLOYEES:**

- A. [24-0470](#) Welcome New Employees
- Mayor White announced the item.
- Mr. Fletcher introduced the item.
- Ms. Hope acknowledged new employees.

**4. PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

Mayor White announced the item and called on Commissioners to step down from the dais to present the items.

- A. [24-0125](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 2024 as Child Abuse Prevention Month, to be Presented to Missy Booher and Roslyn Mendoza on Behalf of the Child Protection Center.
- This item was presented by Commission.*
- B. [24-0439](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 2024 as Florida Volunteer Month and April 14th through April 20th, 2024 as National Volunteer Week, to be Presented to Susan Wagner.
- This item was presented by Commission.*
- C. [24-0440](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 14th through April 20th, 2024, as National Public Safety Telecommunications Week, to be Presented to Misty Elmore.
- This item was presented by Commission.*
- D. [24-0441](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 26th, 2024, as National Arbor Day, to be Presented to Liz Blessing.
- This item was presented by Commission.*
- E. [24-0442](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 17th, 2024, as International Bat Day, to be Presented to Krysta Fowler.
- This item was presented by Commission.*
- F. [24-0445](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 2024 as Donate Life Month, to be Presented to Erin Wetzal on Behalf of LifeLink Foundation.
- There were no recipients to receive this proclamation.
- G. [24-0453](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming May 25, 2024, as Family Abduction Awareness Day, to be Presented to Chris Felder on Behalf of National Parents Organization.

There were no recipients to receive this proclamation.

- H. [24-0485](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 21st Through April 27th, 2024, as National Crime Victims’ Rights Week, to be Presented to Concetta Holmes on Behalf of Sarasota County Victim Advisory Council.

There were no recipients to receive this proclamation.

- I. [24-0533](#) Presentation of Certificates of Appreciation for Volunteering Efforts, to be Presented to Awaken Church, Imagine School of North Port Young Marines, and Joan and Ed Morgan.

This item was presented by Commission.

- J. [24-0543](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Proclaiming April 2024 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month, to be Presented to Ning Tinsley on Behalf of Safe Place and Rape Crisis Center (SPARCC).

There were no recipients to receive this proclamation.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

**6. ADJOURNMENT:**

Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 4:33 p.m.

City of North Port, Florida

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Alice White, Mayor

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Heather Faust, City Clerk