



City of North Port

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NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Minutes City Commission Regular Meeting

CITY COMMISSIONERS

Christopher B. Hanks, Mayor
Debbie McDowell, Vice-Mayor
Vanessa Carusone, Commissioner
Peter Emrich, Commissioner
Jill Luke, Commissioner

APPOINTED OFFICIALS

Peter Lear, City Manager
Amber L. Slayton, City Attorney
Kathryn Peto, City Clerk
Heather Taylor, Deputy City Clerk

Tuesday, January 22, 2019

6:00 PM

CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS

Amended to remove item 7.C., updating attachment on item 5.H.

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CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The North Port City Commission Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in City Commission Chambers by Mayor Hanks.

Present: Mayor Hanks; Commissioners Carusone, Luke and Emrich, City Manager Lear; City Attorney Slayton; City Clerk Peto; Deputy City Clerk Taylor; Police Chief Garrison and Fire Chief Titus.

Absent: Vice-Mayor McDowell

A moment of silence was observed, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Emrich.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – COMMISSION

After a request by the Mayor, the Commission determined that they would like to move 6.K. and 6.B. after 4.A., and pull Consent Agenda items 5.A., 5.E., 5.H. and 5.I.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carusone, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to approve the Agenda, moving item 6.K. then 6.B. directly after 4.A. The motion carried by the following vote, with Vice-Mayor McDowell absent:

Yes: 4 - Mayor Hanks, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS**A. [19-0037](#) Current Vacancies for Boards and Committees.**

City Clerk Peto read the Current Vacancies for Boards and Committees into the record.

B. [19-0038](#) Upcoming Expiration Dates for Boards and Committees.

City Clerk Peto read the Upcoming Expiration Dates for Boards and Committees into the record.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public comment was held 6:06 p.m. - 6:17 p.m.

Timothy Doyle: received call from City Manager, complaint about City.

Edie Driest: stormwater Resolution, land conservation.

Thurman and Gail Oppen: North Port property and City requirements.

Gail Florey: supports Amendment 1.

Vice-Mayor McDowell joined the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

4. PRESENTATIONS: TIME LIMIT OF 15 MINUTES**A. [19-0026](#) Update by Sarasota County Commissioner Hines**

Sarasota County Commissioner Hines gave an update of Sarasota County plans.

Discussion ensued: (1) it was explained that the County is asking the City to write a letter in support of beautification of River Road; (2) it was suggested that County staff give a presentation to the City Commission to provide information regarding possible routes of the Legacy Trail to North Port; (3) a suggestion was made that the County conduct periodic meetings at City Hall giving citizens an opportunity to participate, it was noted that the County is invited to utilize City Chambers; (4) Charlotte County supported the measure of the state taking responsibility of River Road, but they have not provided financial assistance; (5) a suggestion was made to have a joint meeting with Sarasota County to discuss the Legacy Trail and develop a long-term plan; (6) it was explained that mosquito spraying is done in areas where needed and not just a general spraying of the whole County; (7) it was opined that the mosquito control currently provided isn't enough and more needs to be done in North Port. There was no public comment.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS:**K. [19-0032](#) Resolution No. 2019-R-02, Supporting Child Welfare Reform**

Tamara Tridle provided a PowerPoint presentation of the item. City Clerk Peto read Resolution No. 2019-R-02 into the record by title only.

Discussion ensued: (1) it was explained that a productive member of society is based on an individual's past involvement with law enforcement, that contact with law enforcement has been eliminated, and the character of the individual; (2) it was clarified that placement can be made with a relative if that relative has not had personal issues with law enforcement for the past five-years or more. There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carusone, seconded by Vice-Mayor McDowell, to approve Resolution No. 2019-R-02. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to instruct the City Manager to send the Resolution to the Florida League of Cities, the governor, state elected representatives and to local government entities. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

B. [18-898](#)

Ordinance 2018-60, first reading, repealing Ordinance 2017-13, pertaining to noise exemptions for pumps, air-conditioning, and air handling equipment in planned developments with certain side setbacks, GEN-18-253.

A motion was made by Commissioner Luke, seconded by Vice-Mayor McDowell, to read Ordinance No. 2018-60 by title only. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

City Clerk Peto read Ordinance No. 2018-60 into the record by title only. City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Marty Black: exemption removal and consequences, compliance with state statute, deny ordinance.

Pat Neal: government regulation adds costs to homes, deny ordinance.

Cody Vaughan-Birch: opposes removing the exemption from the ordinance.

Discussion ensued: (1) staff explained that this will become a code enforcement issue in planned communities with zero lot lines, that zero lot-line properties would be out of compliance with the ordinance; (2) enforcement is hindered with zero lot-lines because a noise violation is difficult to measure; (3) it was suggested to work with property developers to determine a method that benefits everyone, and to review the Uniform Land Development Code (ULDC) for possible modification; (4) a suggestion was made to table this item.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to have City Manager work with staff during the ULDC rewrite process to include revisions to the noise ordinance. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

A motion was made by Commissioner Luke, seconded by Vice-Mayor McDowell, to approve Consent Agenda items A, B, C and D. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

- A. [19-0039](#) Approval of Minutes for the December 11, 2018 Commission Regular Meeting; December 17, 2018 Commission Special Meeting; January 3, 2019 Commission Special Meeting.
- B. [19-0010](#) Appointment of William R. Saver a Regular Member to the Charter Review Advisory Board.
- C. [19-0006](#) Appointment of Nicholas Trolli as a Regular Member to the Planning & Zoning Advisory Board.
- D. [19-002](#) GovMax multi-year agreement to provide Budget Software
- E. [18-836](#) Application to The Harry Shapiro Charitable Foundation Grant in an amount of up to \$20,000 for equipment and challenge coins.

City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item.

Discussion ensued: (1) departments send thank you letters when grants are awarded. There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to approve and accept the application for the Harry Shapiro Charitable Foundation Grant in the amount of \$20,000. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

- F. [18-882](#) Central Florida Internet Crimes Against Children Task Force Memorandum of Understanding 2019 with Osceola County Sheriff's Office.
- G. [19-0013](#) West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND) Waterway Development Program Grant Agreement and sub-grant award from Sarasota County for the dock pile wrappings at Marina Park in the amount of \$6,700.
- H. [19-0027](#) Community Development Block Grant Subrecipient Agreement with Sarasota County for park enhancements at the Garden of the Five Senses Park.

City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to approve and accept the Community Development Block Grant Agreement with Sarasota County for park enhancements at the Garden of the Five Senses and Boundless Playground. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

- I. [19-0017](#) Funding Agreement with Sarasota County for the Improvement of River Road.

Discussion ensued: (1) it was explained that the agreement did not provide for the

contingency of the State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) loan approval because the loan application had already been approved; (2) it was suggested that the word "all" be removed from page one, item three; (3) a suggestion was made that language be added to page two, item five to provide interest if reimbursement is necessary, and to use an average of interest rates over the years of the agreement; (4) it was suggested that page three, item ten contain language referring to 50% for clarification; (5) it was noted that the County is paying \$18,000,000 and the City is paying \$6,000,000 for the project; (6) it was suggested to include a clause that if the County receives a grant toward the project that the City would receive a reduction in payment proportional to the City's 25% contribution, or that the County's obligation doesn't fall below the City's contribution; (6) it was suggested that language on page four, item 17 provide that the City Manager and the County Administrator have 60-days to resolve a dispute, that the agreement and/or continued dispute must come before the two Commissions, if a dispute is not resolved in a joint meeting of the Commissions it will be resolved in Court; (7) staff recommended retaining language referring to Chapter 164 to allow for options to achieve a resolution to a dispute; (8) it was suggested that staff provide the Commission a copy with the crafted language. There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Carusone, to approve the Agreement with Sarasota County and the City of North Port for the improvement of River Road with the following changes: (1) section three, line three removing the word "all"; (2) section five, an addition to have money paid to the City with interest based on a fifteen-year average rate of return; (3) section ten, reinforce 50% mobility fees collected from the development within the West Villages Improvement District; (4) add a new section, addressing that if the County receives a grant for this project that a threshold factor will be used to refund to the City; (5) section 17, the City Manager and City Attorney will craft language to the effect of: the City Manager and County Administrator have 60-days to work out a dispute and the agreement shall be approved by the Commissions, if there is no agreement there shall be a joint meeting to resolve the dispute, and keep reference to Chapter 164. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

There was a unanimous consensus that staff will provide the Commission a copy of the Agreement with the requested revisions.

Recess 8:08 p.m. - 8:24 p.m.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

A. [19-031](#)

First reading of Ordinance 2018-65 modifying the City-Wide Fee Schedule to change certain Development Review, Police, Parks and Recreation, Facility Rental, and Road and Drainage Fees for Fiscal Year 2018-2019

A motion was made by Commissioner Carusone, seconded by Vice-Mayor McDowell, to read Ordinance No. 2018-65 by title only. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

City Clerk Peto read Ordinance No. 2018-65 into the record by title only. City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item.

Discussion ensued: (1) the whole facility for the Aquatic Center, the Morgan Center and

the Mullen Center can be rented, and staff makes arrangements to accommodate everyone; (2) it was suggested to add "per person" where group rates provide an individual charge; (3) an annual family pass is based on four-members from the same household; (4) it was clarified that Achieve Anything members will not receive a discount on a facility rental of the pool; (5) a suggestion was made that the fee schedule notate that Achieve Anything membership discounts are not applicable for the pool facility rental. There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to continue Ordinance No. 2018-65 to the February 12, 2019 Commission Meeting with the following changes: (1) under resident group rates the price is per-person, add that language after each price; (2) after non-resident group rates add per-person again; (3) add a notation that the facility rental fees for the Achieve Anything membership does not apply. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

C. [19-0011](#)

Ordinance No. 2018-36, second reading, amending the Code of the City of North Port, Florida, Chapter 4 - Boards and Committees, to address residency and membership requirements, public comment at meetings, terms, and voting

City Clerk Peto read Ordinance No. 2018-36 into the record by title only. City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item.

Discussion ensued: (1) it was explained that the body of the Ordinance provides that a non-resident must own property for one-year, and that it is not necessary to state this in the whereas clause. There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-36 as presented at second reading. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

7. GENERAL BUSINESS:

There was a unanimous consensus to move Agenda item 7.A. after 6.C.

A. [19-0007](#)

North Port Neighborhood Revitalization Plan, Implementation Strategy Update

Neighborhood Development Services Director Miles gave an overview of the item. Planning Manager Galehouse provided a PowerPoint presentation. Consultant Jason Greene was available to participate with the presentation.

Discussion ensued: (1) concerns were expressed that the Commission did not accept the report, that a workshop was to be scheduled, and that the staff report conflicts with Commission direction regarding the Nice Guy Program; (2) it was explained that the Nice Guy Program was to consist of City employee volunteers and there weren't any interested participants. There was no public comment.

There was a unanimous consensus to move this item to a workshop.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- D. [19-0028](#) Ordinance No. 2018-63, Second Reading, amending the Code of the City of North Port, Florida, Chapter 4 Boards and Committees, to add new Article XI North Port Youth Council, Sections 4-200 through 4-209, creating said Advisory Board and setting forth membership requirements, duties, and procedures for such Board.

City Clerk Peto read Ordinance No. 2018-63 into the record by title only. City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item. Attorney Slayton stated for the record that the correct Ordinance No. is 2018-36.

Discussion ensued: (1) concern was expressed that at the previous discussion it was noted that the At-Large Members stated in item 4-202(c)(7) are to be City residents; (2) item 4-203(c) states that an At-Large Member has the same responsibilities as a School Representative and it was suggested that an At-Large Member's duty consist of attending one City Commission meeting per year; (3) there are two Scrivener's errors in section 4-208 that will be corrected to Article XI.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carusone, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-36 with the changes to requiring the At-Large Members be residents of the City of North Port and the duties of said At-Large Members to have attended Commission Meetings one-time a year. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

Discussion continued: (1) the City Clerk will start advertising positions for this board; (2) a suggestion was made that board positions also be advertised in a manner that will reach qualifying youth. There was no public comment.

There was a unanimous consensus to move forward with this board as soon as possible.

- E. [19-0016](#) Ordinance 2018-37, Second Reading, Changes to ULDC Chapter 1, General Provisions, Article III, Boards and Duties, Section 1-28 Zoning Board of Appeals and Section 1-29 Planning and Zoning Advisory Board addressing qualifications of members, removal, vacancies, and compensation, TXT-18-266.

City Clerk Peto read Ordinance No. 2018-37 into the record by title only. City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item.

There were no questions from the Commission and no public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Luke, seconded by Vice-Mayor McDowell, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-37. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

- F. [19-0019](#) Ordinance 2018-42, Second Reading, Annual revision and update to the Capital Improvements Element of the Comprehensive Plan, adding a fifth year and projects related to Level of Service standards and adopted

2018-2019 Sarasota County School Board Capital Improvement Plan by reference, CPA-18-167.

City Clerk Peto read Ordinance No. 2018-42 into the record by title only. City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item and Interim Planning Manager Galehouse provided an update to the Commission.

There were no questions from the Commission and no public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Luke, seconded by Commissioner Carusone, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-42. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

G. [19-0018](#) Ordinance 2018-56, Second Reading, Amending ULDC Chapter 55, Section 55-15 and Section 55-16 to Allow Pawn Shops in Activity Center 1, TXT-18-230.

City Clerk Peto read Ordinance No. 2018-56 into the record by title only. City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item.

Discussion ensued: (1) it was explained that the existing pawn shop will no longer be classified as non-conforming; (2) adoption of this ordinance will allow pawn shops in Activity Center One.

A motion was made by Commissioner Carusone, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-56. The motion carried by the following vote, with Vice-Mayor McDowell dissenting:

Yes: 4 - Mayor Hanks, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

No: 1 - Vice-Mayor McDowell

Discussion continued: (1) Vice-Mayor McDowell stated her reason for dissenting was because she doesn't want an unlimited amount of pawn shops along U.S. 41 in the City; (2) it was explained that pursuant to the Comprehensive Plan property annexed into the City from the West Villages to the current City limit would be included in Activity Center One; (3) the storage facility currently next to the new RaceTrac may be classified as a non-conforming use if the property is annexed into the City; (4) it was opined that storage facilities may be beneficial in Activity Center One and it was suggested that this possibly be considered in the future. There was no public comment.

H. [19-020](#) Ordinance No. 2018-64, second reading, amending the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Non-District Budget.

City Clerk Peto read Ordinance No. 2018-64 into the record by title only. City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item.

There were no questions from the Commission and no public comment.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Carusone, to approve Ordinance No. 2018-64 amending fiscal year 2018-2019 budget. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

- I. [19-0033](#) Resolution No. 2018-R-27, Urging the Florida Legislature to allocate funds of the Land Acquisition Trust Fund only for the purposes described in the plain language of Article X, Section 28 of the Florida Constitution, which was adopted as Amendment 1 on November 2014 ballot.

City Clerk Peto read Resolution No. 2018-R-27 into the record by title only. City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item.

Discussion ensued: (1) it was opined that the Resolution should be approved because citizens previously voted that the allocation of funds be used for preservation and conservation; (2) concern was expressed that this funding has become the Department of Environmental Protection's way of "grabbing land" without consideration to conservation, that their data is outdated, and that their plan should be updated to purchase properties that are relevant to the purpose; (3) it was suggested that concerns be addressed in a letter that is sent with the Resolution; (4) the Department of Environment Protection's web site under the Florida Forever Program provides a list of their priorities. There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to approve Resolution 2018-R-27 as presented with a letter being sent to the Florida League of Cities, state Representatives, the Department of Environmental Protection and local governments, and in the cover letter request the reevaluation of the priority list of properties. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

- J. [19-0022](#) Resolution No. 2018-R-32 Accepting ownership of donated parcel of real property located on Plumleaf Terrace and described as Lot 7, Block 2239, 46th addition to Port Charlotte Subdivision, parcel identification number 1129223907

City Clerk Peto read Resolution No. 2018-R-32 into the record by title only. City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item.

Discussion ensued: (1) it was noted that the property taxes have been paid current and that the third whereas clause will be adjusted. There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Luke to approve Resolution No. 2018-R-32, accepting the donated parcel of property as described on Plumleaf Terrace, revising the third whereas clause to reflect that all taxes and assessments have been paid to date. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

- L. [19-0023](#) Resolution No. 2018-R-33 Accepting ownership of donated parcel of real property located on Cape Cod Road and described as Lot 6, Block 2037, 44th addition to Port Charlotte Subdivision, parcel identification number 1148203706

City Clerk Peto read Resolution No. 2018-R-33 into the record. City Manager Lear gave an overview of the item.

There were no questions by the Commission and no public comment.

A motion was made by Vice-Mayor McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Luke, to approve Resolution No. 2018-R-33 accepting the donated parcel of property on Cape Cod Road as described, revising the third whereas clause to reflect that all assessments and taxes have been paid to date. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

7. GENERAL BUSINESS:

B. [19-0043](#) Strategic Plan for Economic Development Division

City Manager Lear and Commissioner Luke gave an overview of the item.

Discussion ensued: (1) it was noted that Mel Thomas has been hired as the City's Economic Development Manager; (2) staff recommendation is to hire a consultant to develop a strategic plan for the for the City's Economic Development Department; (3) a Request for Proposal (RFP) is in process for a professional marketing firm to design and create promotional marketing materials; (4) it was explained that the consultant would establish a timeframe to complete the strategic plan; (5) due to payroll savings in this department \$50,000 funding is available in the budget; (6) City Economic Development Manager Thomas introduced herself. There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Commissioner Luke, seconded by Vice-Mayor McDowell, to approve a strategic plan for the Economic Development Department this year for \$50,000. The motion carried by the following vote:

Yes: 5 - Mayor Hanks, Vice-Mayor McDowell, Commissioner Luke, Commissioner Emrich and Commissioner Carusone

8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

9. COMMISSION COMMUNICATIONS:

Commissioner Luke: (1) suggested to offer relief for residents that are federal employees affected by the government shutdown by authorizing delayed payment of utilities to the City; (2) clarified there was not a pedestrian fatality on Price Boulevard; (3) suggested selling donor bricks as a fundraiser for the Aquatic Center now while construction is in process; (4) noted that the cost of parking at the Senior Center is \$12,000-\$14,000 per parking spot and that better consideration needs to be given for future projects; (5) suggested that the City promote a welcome for the Braves for their entire opening season; (6) reported attending a Commission meeting in Venice.

Discussion ensued: (1) it was explained that staff is pursuing aquatics theme art work with donor recognition to display at the Aquatic Center; (2) concern was expressed to have this completed to coincide with the City's 60th anniversary; (3) staff will present options for design to the Commission by agenda or memo; (4) it was suggested that a form be developed for verification of federal employees seeking relief during the government shutdown; (5) a suggestion was made to waive late fees on the utility bills for those affected by the shutdown; (6) concern was expressed that others are unemployed and making allowances for some and not others could be problematic.

Vice-Mayor McDowell: (1) reported attending ribbon cutting ceremonies; (2) the Braves location online shows as Venice and it should be North Port

Discussion continued: (1) it was explained that Global Positioning System (GPS) is displaying the location as Venice because it is based on the address provided by the U.S. Postal Service, and that the Braves website states they are in North Port; (2) it was clarified that the GPS location referencing Venice is on the Ticketmaster website.

Commissioner Carusone: nothing to report.

Commissioner Emrich: (1) suggested that recognition be given to past Commissioner Richard Lockhart.

Discussion ensued: (1) staff will research to see if an award or proclamation had been previously presented.

Mayor Hanks: nothing to report.

There was a unanimous consensus that recognition be given to past Commissioner Richard Lockhart.

10. ADMINISTRATIVE AND LEGAL REPORTS:

A. [19-0021](#) City Manager - Commission Update

City Manager Lear stated that community conversations will be held to discuss the budget process and to get feedback and input from the community. The meetings will be held at two locations and are scheduled for February 21 and February 25.

B. [19-0012](#) City Attorney Report - Commission-Directed Actions

City Attorney Slayton had nothing to report.

C. [19-0008](#) City Clerk update regarding Commission Direction

City Clerk Peto stated that Deputy City Clerk Taylor has started in her new position.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Hanks adjourned the North Port City Commission Regular Meeting at 10:11 p.m.

City of North Port, Florida

By: _____
Christopher B. Hanks, Mayor

Attest: _____
Kathryn Peto, City Clerk

Minutes approved at the City Commission Regular Meeting this ____ day of _____, 2019.

