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CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MINUTES
November 28, 2017

Mayor Jamison called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Invocation By: Commissioner Byran Williams

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Mayor Scott Jamison – Present
Vice Mayor Linda Jones– Present
Commissioner Byran Williams–Present
Commissioner Gloria James –Present
Commissioner Nancy Linkous – Present

Staff Present: Ed Booth, City Manager
Jenny Parham, City Clerk
Angela Stone, Assistant City Clerk
Courtney Johnson, City Attorney
Joel Decoursey, Police Chief

**PRESENTATION BY POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE, REPRESENTME, ON 2018
BALLOT LANGUAGE FOR SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICTS.**

Mr. Booth advised that this is about wanting the County Commission to have the seats on the County Commission done by Districts instead of at large.

Attorney Johnson stated that this is a group of High School students in Newberry, and former students that are trying to get involved and make a difference. They are trying to get 18,000 signatures of registered voters in Alachua County.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

**Motion Commissioner James to approve the agenda as presented.
Second Commissioner Williams.
Motion carried 5-0.**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

CONSIDER ORDINANCE 2017-11, AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE ADOPTED 2016/2017 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET OF THE CITY OF HIGH SPRINGS; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Attorney Johnson reads Ordinance 2017-11 by title only.

Mayor Jamison opens the Public Hearing for public input. with no one coming forward, Mayor Jamison closes the Public Hearing.

**Motion Vice Mayor Jones to approve Ordinance 2017-11 as read on second and final reading.
Second Commissioner Linkous.**

Roll Call:

**Mayor Jamison-yes
Vice Mayor Jones-yes
Commissioner James-yes
Commissioner Linkous-yes
Commissioner Williams-yes**

Motion carried 5-0.

CITIZEN REQUESTS AND COMMENTS – FOR ISSUES NOT ON AGENDA (PLEASE STATE NAME FOR THE RECORD – LIMIT COMMENTS TO 5 MINUTES)

Terry Maltbie spoke of his concern about the new addresses still not being updated with Google.

Dirk Hunt asked about sharing important information regarding water. He spoke of the test results never being posted during the boil water notice period in October. He asked about the \$700,000 for the Greenway Projects. Mr. Booth stated we took the project of the High Springs' Spring and put it towards the Park Enhancement Project.

Attorney Johnson stated the \$700,000 is a matching grant, the numbers that were given were estimates and will go out for bid at later time.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT FOR OPERATIONAL ASSISTANCE WITH THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Mr. Booth advised this is a normal mutual aid agreement.

Chief Decoursey stated this an agency standard, and is done about every two to three years.

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**Motion Commissioner James to approve the Mutual Aid Agreement for Operational Assistance with the City of Gainesville Police Department.
Second Commissioner Williams.
Motion carried 5-0.**

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT/UPDATE

Attorney Johnson stated that Mayor Marlow advised that they apologized for not being here for the meeting and will get with the City Clerk to get on the agenda.

Attorney Johnson advised that in the agreement that the County has with the Trust for Public Lands to purchase the Rails to Trails property they had a contingency to do environmental tests and they do have concerns. They have requested additional time to review these tests and if this is not granted they will be backing out of the purchase of the rail corridor.

Commissioner Linkous asked when the hurricane debris will be collected. Mr. Booth advised we are working on this, should be within the next 30 days.

Commissioner Linkous asked about a down trees on City property. Mr. Booth stated this should be cleaned up in the next week or so.

CITY MANAGER REPORT/UPDATE

Advised that we will be taking out the back two rows in the Commission Chambers for security and ADA Compliance.

Advised that on December 7th we will have the annual Christmas Party at 6:00 pm.at the Women's Club.

Advised that December 9th is the Christmas Parade.

COMMENTS AND CONCERNS:

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner James has been asked about selling alcohol on Sunday's, so that is resurfacing. She also advised that Tony and Al's, on the corner, is open.

Commissioner Williams-Nothing at this time.

Vice Mayor Jones- Nothing at this time.

MAYOR

City Clerk Parham asked if they want the job description for the CRA Director on the agenda for the next meeting.

Mayor Jamison stated he asked for a job description with the CRA Director combined with part time help for the City Manager.

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Consensus to put on the next agenda.

**Motion Commissioner James to adjourn.
Mayor Jamison adjourned the meeting 6:59 p.m.**