



LAKE MARY CITY COMMISSION

**Lake Mary City Hall
100 N. Country Club Road**

**Regular Meeting
MINUTES
THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2024, 7:00 PM**

NO VIDEO RECORDING WAS MADE FOR THIS MEETING.

1. The meeting was called to order by Mayor David Mealor at 7:04.
2. **Moment of Silence**
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Roll Call**

David Mealor, Mayor
Jordan Smith, Commissioner
George F. Duryea, Commissioner
Sidney Miller, Deputy Mayor
Justin York, Commissioner
Kevin Smith, City Manager
Katie Reischmann, City Attorney
Kevin Pratt, Police Chief
Michael Johansmeyer, Fire Chief
Allison Marcous, Human Resources Director
Brent Mason, Finance Director
Sabreena Colbert, Community Development Director
Danielle Koury, Public Works Director
Amber Branton, City Clerk
Cassie Killgore, Deputy City Clerk
Dave Dovan, Assistant Public Works Director

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Corey Bowles, Assistant Fire Chief
Dennis Strange, Deputy Police Chief
Chris Carson, Senior Planner
Miguel Conde, City Engineer
Natalie Swain, Recreation Manager
Sorrel Houghton, Support Services Manager
Katie Fries, Accreditation Manager
Robert Judges, Police Lieutenant
Michelle Hernandez, Police Officer First Class
Michelle Yielding, Police Officer First Class
Claudia Umana, Police Officer First Class
Lenni Do, Police Officer
Tom Rhodes, Network Specialist

5. Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Draft City Commission Meeting Minutes for April 4, 2024

Deputy Mayor Miller made a motion to approve the Draft City Commission Meeting Minutes of April 4, 2024. Commissioner York seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.

6. Special Presentations

A. City Employee of the 1st Quarter 2024 – Officer Lenni Do (Kevin Pratt, Police Chief)

Kevin Pratt, Police Chief, introduced Lenni Do, Police Officer, and detailed his exemplary work for the Lake Mary Police Department, commending him for his compassion and empathy.

Mayor Mealaro echoed Chief Pratt's sentiments and thanked Officer Do for his commitment to the City.

Officer Do thanked the Commission, Police Department staff, and the City, for their support.

B. Proclamation – Professional Municipal Clerks Week (Amber Branton, City Clerk)

Katie Reischmann, City Attorney, read the proclamation, which proclaimed May 6 through May 11, 2024, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week in the City of Lake Mary.

Mayor Mealor recognized Amber Branton, City Clerk, and Cassie Killgore, Deputy City Clerk, for their important work, acting as liaisons between the City and the public.

7. Citizen Participation - This is an opportunity for anyone to come forward and address the Commission on any matter relating to the City or of concern to our citizens. This also includes: 1) any item discussed at a previous work session; 2) any item not specifically listed on a previous agenda but discussed at a previous Commission meeting or 3) any item on tonight's agenda not labeled as a public hearing. Items requiring a public hearing are generally so noted on the agenda and public input will be taken when the item is considered.

Alfred Cann, Woodbridge Lakes Board of Directors, 358 Lake Dawson Pl, Lake Mary, FL 32746, came forward to thank the City for the \$10,000 granted to Woodbridge Lakes from the Neighborhood Beautification Program. He detailed how the \$10,000 will be used to benefit Woodbridge Lakes and the City.

Mayor Mealor expressed his appreciation for Woodbridge Lakes' beautiful landscaping and decorating, and thanked Mr. Cann for his attendance.

8. Unfinished Business

None.

9. New Business

A. 2023-ZTA-02, Ordinance No. 1701, A request to amend Chapter 154.14. Location of accessory uses and structures in residential districts. (Public Hearing – Legislative – First Reading) (Chris Carson, Project Manager)

Katie Reischmann, City Attorney, read Ordinance No. 1701 by title only.

Chris Carson, Senior Planner, came forward to discuss the information as presented in the Staff Report, which was included in the agenda packet for review.

Mayor Mealor commented on the unforeseen consequences with the passage of Chapter 154.14 when it was originally passed in 2008. Mr. Carson stated that this amendment, specifically, Chapter 154.14 B 2(c), intends to improve the usage originally allowed for.

Commissioner Duryea inquired whether this amendment would affect prefabricated sheds purchased at home improvement stores. Mr. Carson clarified that the Florida Building Code exempts prefabricated structures under 120 sq. feet and therefore, would not require permitting. Sabreena Colbert, Community Development Director, further clarified prefabricated structures must comply with setbacks and receive zoning approval, but do not require permitting and building approval. Commissioner Duryea

further inquired how this amendment will apply to existing structures. Mr. Carson clarified that most of the existing structures within city limits already comply with this amendment and those that don't will be classified as existing, legal, non-conforming use and will be allowed to remain as such until the structure needs more than 50% of the construction value for repair or replacement.

Commissioner Smith thanked the Community Development Department for their work on this amendment and explained that this is an old code that needed updating to accommodate the City's growth since 2008.

Susan Sherman, 477 Cardinal Oaks Court, Lake Mary, FL 32746, came forward to thank the Commission and the City for listening to the residents' concerns and making the necessary amendments.

Commissioner Smith made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 1701, A request to amend Chapter 154.14. Location of accessory uses and structures in residential districts. Deputy Mayor Miller seconded the motion, and the motion carried 5-0 by roll-call vote, Commissioner Smith, Yes; Commissioner Duryea, Yes; Deputy Mayor Miller, Yes; Commissioner York, Yes; Mayor Mealor, Yes.

10. Other Items for Commission Action

11. City Manager's Report

A. Items for Approval

a. Pickleball Court Construction Purchase Order Approval

Kevin Smith, City Manager, discussed the information as presented in the Staff Report, which was included in the agenda packet for review.

He requested that Commission authorize himself to approve a purchase order with Nidy Sports Construction Company in the amount of \$185,733 for the Pickleball Court Construction.

Commissioner Duryea inquired about the exclusions portion of the request. Natalie Swain, Recreation Manager, and Mr. Smith clarified that much of the excluded work was completed in-house by City of Lake Mary staff and additional exclusions are included because there will not be lighting installed on the new courts.

Commissioner Smith expressed concern regarding maintaining preference for City of Lake Mary residents. Mr. Smith advised that there will be scheduling prepared to allow for residents' court use.

Deputy Mayor Miller inquired regarding the number of courts (5). Mr. Smith advised that the decision was made after conducting local research and discussions.

Commissioner York expressed concern regarding staff supervision of the courts and possible amenities to be included. Mr. Smith advised that amenities are limited due to the space available, the courts are located within proximity to the Community Center to allow for frequent supervision, and that there is sufficient parking surrounding the location.

Commissioner York made a motion to authorize the Pickleball Court Construction Purchase Order. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion, and the motion was approved unanimously.

B. Items for Information

a. Monthly Finance Report

C. Announcements

12. Mayor and Commissioners Report – 2

A. Commissioner Duryea

No report.

B. Deputy Mayor Miller

No report.

C. Commissioner York

Commissioner York praised the Fire Department for their open house and congratulated Dennis Stange, Deputy Police Chief, for his promotion.

D. Commissioner Smith

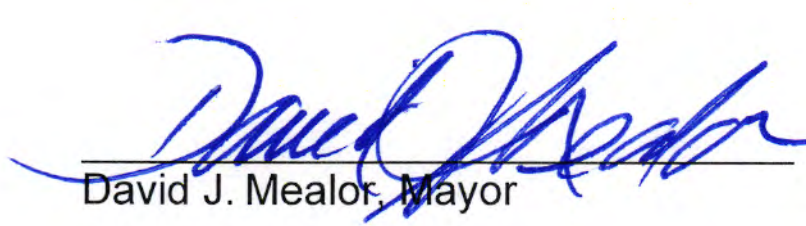
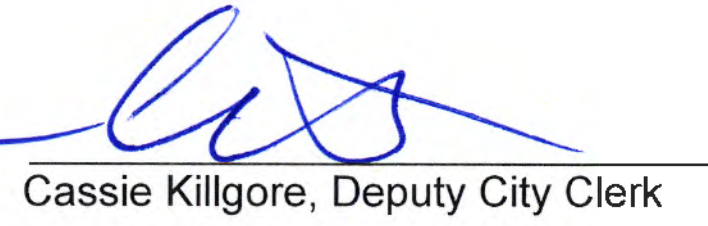
Commissioner Smith echoed Commissioner York's sentiments.

13. City Attorney's Report

Ms. Reischmann discussed legislation regarding expedited transmittal of comp plan amendments, the expired restricted fertilizer use moratorium, short-term rentals, harassment of first responders, and the business impact statement.

14. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:45.

 
David J. Meador, Mayor Cassie Killgore, Deputy City Clerk

ATTEST:

Amber Branton, City Clerk