

**CITY OF WEWAHITCHKA
BOARD OF CITY COMMISSIONERS
Senior/Community Building
REGULAR MEETING
January 30, 2025
6:00 PM**

The City Commission met on this date January 30, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. at the Wewahitchka Senior/Community Building, 314 N. 3rd St, Wewahitchka, Florida. **Mayor Gaskin** called the meeting to order, asked **Sheriff Harrison** to lead a prayer, and everyone said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Attendance

Mayor Phillip Gaskin
Commissioner Ralph Fisher
Commissioner Charlier Pettis
Commissioner Johnny Paul
Commissioner Brian Cox

Public

Chris Karagiannis
Gulf County Commissioner Spike McLemore
Tom Wynn
Sammy Bailey
Chuck Johnson

City Manager

Michael Gortman

City Clerk

Rachel Jackson

City Attorney

Michelle Jordan

City Superintendent

Chipper Wade

City Parks & Rec Director

David Paul

City Finance Director

Brittney Proctor (VIA VIDEO CONF)

City Finance Clerk

Misty Robbins

City Engineer-SCE

Hunter Baumgardner

Jack Husband

Sheriff's Office

Mike Harrison

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Cox made a motion to approve the agenda. **Commissioner Paul** seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Approval of Minutes

After review, **Commissioner Cox** made a motion to approve 1.6.25 Regular Meeting minutes. **Commissioner Paul** seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Public Recognition

Sammy Bailey asked the board if the roof on the building at TL James Park could be started. Discussion followed regarding funding sources and what needs to be done

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Senior/Community Building
314 N 3rd St
Wewahitchka, FL 32465

SPECIAL MEETING

February 13, 2025

5:30 pm

Mayor Gaskin called the special meeting to order on February 13, 2025 at 5:31 P.M. at the Senior/Community Building.

Attendance

Mayor Phillip Gaskin
Commissioner Ralph Fisher
Commissioner Charlie Pettis
Commissioner Johnny Paul
Commissioner Brian Cox

Public Present

Chris Forehand

City Finance Clerk

Misty Robbins

AGENDA:

1. **Waste Water Permit – Mayor Gaskin** stated we got a price from Southeastern Consulting Engineers, it was \$40,000 and they would sub it out to Dewberry.

Mayor Gaskin instructed **City Manager Michael Gortman** to get additional quotes. Received quotes from Panhandle Engineering for \$27,500.00. Received no bid from Preble Engineering out of Tallahassee, FL. **City Attorney Michelle Jordan**, reached out to an engineer in Holmes County and they declined to bid as well.

Following discussion, **Commissioner Fisher** made a motion to award the waste water plant renewal permit to Panhandle Engineering for \$27,500.00. **Commissioner Paul** seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Gaskin then stated he would like to go out for RFP's for engineering on the waste waste plant. **Commissioner Pettis** stated he would like to table that until the regular meeting to give time for additional research. The board agreed to table until the regular meeting.

2. **County Road Bond Letter – Mayor Gaskin** stated they had a very productive meeting with the county, and need to write a letter to the county regarding the road bond issue.

Following discussion, **Commissioner Paul** made a motion to allow **City Manager Michael Gortman** to write and sign a letter regarding the road bond to the county. Commissioner **Pettis** seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

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3. **T.L. James Lights Letter – Mayor Gaskin** stated we need to have a letter written to the county asking for the \$200,000.00 up front. We need to clarify with TDC how the money will come in.

Discussion followed regarding **Commissioner Pettis** following up with Gulf Coast Electric about the Power South program that helps out rural areas with funding.

Following discussion, **Commissioner Cox** made a motion to allow **City Manager Michael Gortman** to write and sign a letter to the county regarding receiving the \$200,000.00 for T.L. James Park Lights funding upfront. **Commissioner Paul** seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Pettis stated this year is the 150 year anniversary for the City of Wewa and would like to have a celebration. The board agreed to hold a celebration. Following discussion, the board agreed to add the City of Wewa 150 Year Anniversary to the agenda for the regular meeting to discuss and coordinate with Mrs. Ann Johnson on the celebration.

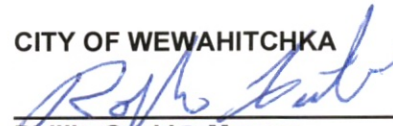
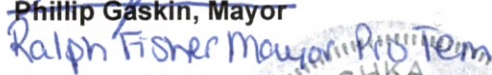
Adjournment

Commissioner Pettis made a motion to adjourn the special meeting at 5:54 pm. **Commissioner Fisher** seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

ATTEST:

Rachel Jackson, City Clerk

CITY OF WEWAHITCHKA


Phillip Gaskin, Mayor

Ralph Fisher Mayor Pro Tem

