

# Volusia Growth Management Commission Meeting

## MINUTES FOR MEETING HELD Wednesday, March 27, 2019

Thomas C. Kelly Administration Center  
Frank T. Bruno Jr. County Council Chambers  
123 W. Indiana Avenue  
DeLand, FL

### MEMBERS PRESENT

Debbie Connors, Chair  
James Wachtel, Vice Chair  
Loretta Arthur  
Larry Saffer  
Sid Vihlen, Jr.  
Mary Swiderski  
Joseph Hammett  
Mark McGee  
Robert Storke  
Harold Briley  
Paul Manning  
John Meikle  
Glyn Slay  
Jack Surette  
Thomas Wright

### REPRESENTING

Port Orange  
Volusia County  
Holly Hill  
Daytona Beach Shores  
DeBary  
Deland  
Lake Helen  
Oak Hill  
Orange City  
Ormond Beach  
Ponce Inlet  
Volusia County  
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### MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Doug Gutierrez  
Sandy Lou Gallagher  
Teresa Pope  
Christy Gillis

Daytona Beach  
Deltona  
Edgewater  
South Daytona

### NON-VOTING MEMBERS

Sara Lee Morrissey (not present)  
Steven Fitzgibbons (not present)

Volusia Co. School Board  
SJRWMD

### OTHERS PRESENT

Heather Ramos, GrayRobinson, General Counsel  
Chris Dougherty, S&ME, VGMC Planning Consultant  
Merry Chris Smith, VGMC Operations Manager

### CALL TO ORDER

VGMC Chair Debbie Connors called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken and it was determined there was a quorum present. Chair Connors welcomed new member Paul Manning who was recently appointed to represent Ponce Inlet on the VGMC.

### CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizens present who wished to speak at this time.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Harold Briley made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2019 regular meeting of the commission as presented; seconded by James Wachtel. Motion carried unanimously.

### PUBLIC HEARING

There were no scheduled public hearings.

### REPORT FROM PLANNING CONSULTANT

Chris Dougherty, planning consultant, provided a brief update on applications pending and recently certified.

### REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL

No report at this time.

### REPORT FROM COMMISSION OPERATIONS MANAGER

Ms. Smith stated that a number of member terms are scheduled to expire on June 30, 2019 and she would be writing to the respective local government regarding reappointments. Commissioner Vihlen asked Ms. Smith to send all of the members a listing of term expiration dates.

### REPORTS OF COMMISSION CHAIRMAN

No report at this time.

### REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

POP Report: POP Committee Chairman James Wachtel reported that the committee met immediately prior to the regular meeting. Mr. Wachtel stated that a discrepancy in the timing of the review process has been discussed, and he explained that staff would be including additional language in their communications to the local governments with more specific dates and time lines.

Budget Report: Budget Committee Chair Loretta Arthur reported the committee met immediately prior to the regular meeting as well. She stated current YTD expenditures are within budget and no changes are recommended.

Ms. Arthur stated the 2019-20 proposed budget was discussed at the February 27, 2019 meeting and the committee recommended to increase the legal budget to \$50,000 and reduce the legal expenses to \$10,000. She stated these changes are included in the current proposed budget and the committee voted to recommend the full commission approve the budget as presented.

The recommendation comes to the commission as a motion and second. There was no further discussion and the motion was unanimously approved.

#### OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business for discussion.

#### NEW BUSINESS

1) Consideration of VGMC Resolution #2019-02 proposing amendments to the Volusia Growth Management Commission Rules of Procedure for Meetings, Membership, and Operations relating to minimum meeting requirements for the Budget Committee

Mr. Wachtel stated this item was discussed at the February 27, 2019 meeting to consider a change in the minimum number of annual meetings required for the Budget Committee from four to two. He stated the change is on page six of the VGMC Rules of Procedures, and the POP committee voted to recommend the full commission approve VGMC Resolution #2019-02 as presented.

The recommendation comes to the commission as a motion and second. There was no further discussion and the motion was unanimously approved.

#### COMMISSIONER REQUESTS OR REMARKS

There were no commissioner requests or remarks.

#### ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Connors thanked everyone for attending and the meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.



Attest: Secretary



Chair