

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the City Commission of the City of Auburndale held July 1, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. in the Commission Room of City Hall, after having been properly advertised, with the following members present: Mayor Tim Pospichal, Vice Mayor Dorothea Taylor Bogert, Commissioners: Keith Cowie, Richard Hamann, and Jack Myers. Also present were: City Manager Robert Green, Administrative Secretary Marsha Johnson, and Deputy Police Chief Carin Ketcham.

Mayor Tim Pospichal declared a quorum present and the Meeting was opened with prayer by Pastor Brad Bennett of Auburndale Community Church and a salute to the flag.

City Manager Green read the notice of the Special Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 1: MEMORIAL PROCLAMATION FOR CITY ATTORNEY V. PATTON KEE

City Manager Green stated the City Commission will consider a Memorial Proclamation for City Attorney V. Patton "Pat" Kee. City Manager Green read into the Official Record his statement released yesterday morning on the passing of City Attorney V. Patton "Pat" Kee. Mayor Tim Pospichal read into the Official Record the City Commission's Memorial Proclamation. Following the reading of the Memorial Proclamation, the City Commission will consider affirming the Proclamation. Staff recommends to affirm the Memorial Proclamation with copy to be attached in the Official Records of the City, and also presented to the Kee Family.

Motion was made by Commissioner Richard Hamann and seconded by Commissioner Jack Myers to affirm the Memorial Proclamation.

Roll call vote: Vice Mayor Taylor Bogert – aye, Commissioner Cowie – aye, Commissioner Hamann – aye, Commissioner Myers - aye and Mayor Pospichal – aye.

City Manager Green stated a copy of the Memorial Proclamation would be included in the Official Records of the City of Auburndale. He thanked the Commission for their time and the Kee family for sharing Pat with us all these years.

Mayor Tim Pospichal stated the meeting was adjourned.

The Mayor and Commission shared fond memories of Pat at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 11:14 a.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Minutes are true and correct.



Marsha Johnson, Administrative Secretary



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PUBLIC STATEMENT ON THE PASSING OF CITY ATTORNEY V. PATTON KEE

It is with great sadness that we announce today the passing of our well respected City Attorney, V. Patton Kee. Pat passed away this morning (June 30, 2020) after a valiant fight with pancreatic cancer. He died at his residence surrounded by his loving family. He was 79 years old. Pat is survived by his wife Debbie, son Allen and his wife Carmen, daughter Charlotte and her husband Josh.

After graduating from the University of Florida College of Law in 1965, Pat would practice law for over 5 decades.

Attorney Kee was appointed the Auburndale City Attorney by the City Commission on November 5, 1996. Prior to his appointment, Pat served as City Judge, Assistant City Attorney and Code Enforcement Board Attorney.

The office of his private practice was located next door to City Hall. When he interviewed for the job, he told the Commission at the time, his response to their needs would be faster than a fax. Not only would he prove to be that efficient, he was also committed to the task. He never missed a Regular City Commission Meeting in over twenty-three years.

Attorney Kee's presence will be greatly missed by the City of Auburndale. His calm demeanor, and wide variety of experience helped the City become a better place to live, work and play. The work product of all of our departments, and the official business of the City Commission is more professional and respected due to his proficient legal guidance.

The Auburndale City Commission is scheduled to meet in a Special Session tomorrow (July 1, 2020) at 11:00 a.m. in the City Commission Chamber at City Hall, where they will hear and consider a Memorial Proclamation to honor City Attorney Pat Kee.

PROCLAMATION

City of Auburndale State of Florida

MEMORIAL PROCLAMATION FOR CITY ATTORNEY V. PATTON KEE

WHEREAS, V. Patton "Pat" Kee was appointed the Auburndale City Attorney by the City Commission on November 5, 1996. Prior to his appointment as City Attorney, Pat served as City Judge, Assistant City Attorney and Code Enforcement Board Attorney;

WHEREAS, during his twenty-three plus year tenure as City Attorney, Attorney Kee never missed a City Commission meeting;

WHEREAS, in 2020 Attorney Kee would celebrate 55 years of practicing law in the State of Florida and being admitted as a member of the Florida Bar. He graduated from the University of Florida College of Law in 1965; and

WHEREAS, Attorney Kee consistently received high marks during his performance evaluations in the areas of Commission Meeting Preparation and Presentation, Legal Skills, Communication and Community Representation. Pat would always make himself available to assist the City Commission and City Staff with that warm smile and jovial laugh.

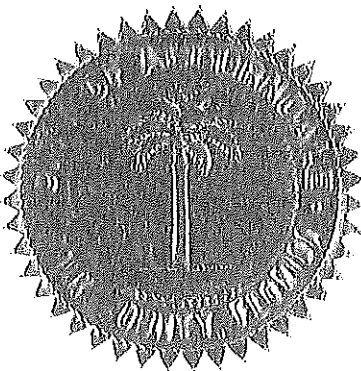
NOW, THEREFORE, AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF AUBURNDALE AND ON BEHALF OF THE AUBURNDALE CITY COMMISSION:

That we do hereby extend deepest condolences to the members of the Kee family.


That we do hereby give public expression of our feelings of deep loss on behalf of the community and the City of Auburndale at the death of City Attorney V. Patton "Pat" Kee.

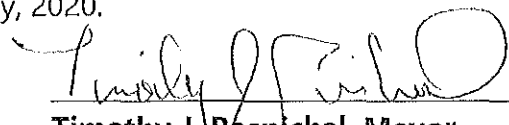
That a copy of this Proclamation be filed in the Official Records of the City of Auburndale, with hopes that the Kee Family may find some comfort in these words.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Official Seal of the City of Auburndale, Florida to be affixed this 1st day of July, 2020.



ATTEST:


Shirley Lowrance, City Clerk


Timothy J. Pospichal, Mayor