

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

April 9, 2012

6:45 PM

A Zoning Hearing to consider the following items:

Rezoning of property at 5512 Jonesboro Road, Lake City, GA from GI (Gateway) to GB (General Business) with conditions. Petition was received by Applicant Sang Nguyen on February 10, 2012

The Hearing was rescheduled to April 26, 2012 at 9:30AM due to an error in the newspaper advertisement.

7:00 PM

Regular Meeting

Participants: Mayor Oswalt, Councilman Williams, Councilwoman Kelly, Councilman Ginn, Councilman Sowell, City Attorney Fincher, City Manager Lancken, Public Works Superintendent Robinson, Chief of Police Colwell. Citizen participants Faye Stovall and Aric Walker

Call to Order

Mayor

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes Moved by Councilman Sowell, seconded by Councilman Ginn and unanimously approved.

The City Manger presented a Resolution adopting the Lake City Purchasing Policy Absent the Local Preference Option which was prepared by the Carl Vinson Institute of Government. Councilwoman Kelly moved for the adoption of the Resolution approving the purchasing procedures as the official policy of the City, seconded by Councilman Williams. The measure passed unanimously.

The City Manager presented a Resolution adopting the Job Descriptions of Public Works Employees; Code Enforcement Officer; Police Patrolman; police Sergeant; Police Corporal;

Police Lieutenant; Police Detective and Police Captain. It was explained that these job descriptions complete the task of documenting all positions within the City with traditional Job Descriptions and will be used for the purpose of tasking wage and salary surveys and other employee related activities. Councilman Ginn moved for the adoption and seconded by Councilwoman Kelly. The matter passed unanimously.

The City Manger discussed the progress of the Ad Hoc Redevelopment Committee wherein Code Enforcement had sent 17 certified letters to the owners of abandoned commercial property in compliance with the recently passed Vacant Property Registry Ordinance; the fact that the City Managers of Forest Park and the City of Morrow will be joining the Committee on the 25th of the month as a means to create synergy amongst the three Cities in a tripartite action of economic redevelopment; that Bill Johnston an Urban Planner has joined the group and provided excellent guidance; that two fortune 500 transportation / logistics were communicated with by the Manager as a means to acquaint them with the unique characteristics of the City and its proximity to this area's extensive transportation network.

The City Manager mentioned that 12 interns from Clayton State University had been interviewed with very favorable results. Approximately 4 will be engaged to perform an array of special projects for the administration in the very near future.

Chief of Police Colwell presented his statistics for the month of March while mentioning that last month CID investigated 14 cases. There was one armed robbery with one suspect in jail and the second subject with warrants pending. There were no burglaries.

Mayor Oswalt asked if there was any further business and Faye Stovall was concerned that her previous complaints on various subjects were not revealed in the City Council Minutes and they should be. The City Manager pointed out that the minutes are not recorded and therefore they are not a verbatim translation. He stated that if the minutes were examined for the last 10 or more years one would see a summary of the events in the minutes and not detailed verbatim expressions. He stated that in the future the minutes would reflect the questions, the commentary and the complaints that are exhibited by citizens at the Council Meetings. Stovall wanted a status report on the repair of certain sidewalks and Eddie Robinson responded in a meaningful fashion. The Mayor brought to Stovall's attention that she should pay her extremely delinquent garbage bill.

Aric Walker asked about the clean out in a ditch behind his house and Eddie Robinson responded in a positive manner

There being no further business Councilman Sowell moved for adjournment, seconded by Councilman Ginn which was unanimously approved. The meeting adjourned at 7:35PM.