

Minutes

REGULAR MEETING OF THE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

May 14, 2012

Attendees: Mayor Oswalt, Councilwoman Kelly, Councilman Ginn, Councilman Williams, Councilman Sowell, City Attorney Fincher, City Manager Lanen, Public Works Superintendent Robinson, Chief of Police Colwell.

The work session commenced at 6:00 PM with the City Attorney describing the new legislation governing open meetings. He pointed out that all meetings wherein there is a quorum present it requires an agenda of that meeting to be posted and minutes taken. Thereafter the minutes must be put to a vote to approve those minutes.

In addition if there was an Executive Session requested by the City Manager and approved by a vote of the City Council the law requires that it become a separate meeting with separate minutes being taken with an affidavit executed by the presiding officer that the discussion was not in violation of the Open Meetings Law. The minutes of the Executive Session are to be sealed and kept by the City Clerk in safe keeping. The aforementioned affidavit was executed by Mayor Oswalt and the Council Members affixed their signatures as witnesses and in further evidence that nothing was discussed in the Executive Session which did not conform with Open Meetings Law.

The matter of replacing one police officer with another hire was discussed and the decision of which was deferred until the May 24, 2012 Council Work Shop Session.

The work shop session ended at 6:55PM

The Regular Session of the City Council Commenced at 7:06 PM. City Clerk Beckman, Intern Tim Hoyle and Citizen Faye Stovall were in attendance in addition to the Mayor and Council Members, the City Manager, Public Works Superintendent and Police Chief. The City Attorney was not in attendance for the regular meeting.

The Invocation was offered by Congresswoman Kelly.

A motion was made by Councilman Sowell to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2012 Council Meeting, seconded by Councilwoman Kelly. The measure passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilman Ginn to approve the minutes of the Council Workshop of April 26, 2012, seconded by Councilman Sowell. The measure passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Kelly to approve the minutes of the Executive Session conducted on April 26, 2012, seconded by Councilman Ginn. The measure passed unanimously.

City Manager Lanken introduced a Resolution appointing Eric Beckman to the position of City Clerk. A motion was made by Councilman Williams to approve the Resolution, seconded by Councilman Ginn. The measure passed unanimously.

City Manager Lanken introduced Clayton State University Intern, Tim Hoyle who had been assigned the special project of conducting a feasibility study of creating a web site for the City. Tim presented an impressive power point description of this work to date which produced many questions of interest from the Mayor and Council Members.

City Manager Lanken briefed the Council on the continuing efforts to bring corporate representatives to the Council's attention on the matter of economic redevelopment. There is a planned meeting for May 31st at the Clayton County Chamber of Commerce whereby Ed Corry of Thermo King and former Ryder executive and perhaps others will address the group on the strategies of expanding locations. In addition, Don Napoli a former executive with both Ryder and Burger King will address the Council on Friday May 18th on the matters of eminent domain and related subjects.

Public Works Superintendent brought the Council up to date on the status of the sidewalk repairs; the Sewer Project; the Abandoned Commercial Property Project and the status of the Community Center Construction Project.

Chief Colwell presented his monthly report to the Council which highlighted 19 cases investigated during April, one armed robbery and one strong armed robbery with no burglaries. He reported that Sgt. Tammie Martin broke her ankle which will have her out of work for two months.

There being no further business, Councilwoman Kelly made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Ginn. The measure passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 8:30PM.