

MINUTES

WORK SESSION

February 27th and 28th 2013

Special Work Session

Wed. Feb 27th 10:AM

Participants: Councilman Dwight Ginn, Councilwoman Yvonne Kelly, Mayor Pro Tem Bobby Williams, City Manager, City Treasurer, Public Works Director, Police Chief and the following individuals who presented various studies and alternatives to the present employee benefit program and newly designed alternatives for starting a defined pension plan.

Jeffrey Groves, FSA, MAAA, MSPA, EA
Consulting Actuary
Swerdlin & Company

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Roy Cranman SVP Accredited Estate Planner
Chartered Life Underwriter
Chartered Financial Consultant
Capitas Distributors, Inc.

The Administration will hold a staff meeting to sort the ideas out and arrive at a consensus on which way to proceed and what recommendations it would offer to the City Council for implementation.

Regular Work Session

Thursday Feb 28th 2PM

Participants: Mayor Oswalt, Councilwoman Yvonne Kelly, Councilman Bobby Williams, Councilman Dwight Ginn, City Manager, City Treasurer, Public works Director, City Clerk, and Police Chief.

Andy Pippin, City Manager, Hampton and Arley Lowe, the Executive Director of the Hampton Downtown Development Authority discussed how

they created their DDA and how it progressed in renovating their downtown business area with extremely positive results.

Thereafter Grant Wainscott, Clayton County Director of Economic Development presented new marketing material on the University Station of which Lake City is a stake holder. He explained that the Ingles Building is now ready for conversion to accommodate movie production and it may have to relocate a couple of tenants who are on a month to month basis. It was agreed that the City would attempt to recommend other suitable spaces for these tenants while introducing them to the owners of various commercial buildings in our area.

The Administration produced a power point presentation which illustrated a photo essay of how the City looks to an outside visitor who may be interested in relocating his business here. The presentation showed over 80 photos of highly undesirable properties which required an orderly and intensive inspection regime to cure the city of this blight. It was agreed that the International Property Maintenance Code would be used as the foundation for curing this blight. As such a Board will be created to hear possible appeals from property owners who are cited for blight conditions.