

WORK SHOP MEETING OF THE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

March 27, 2014

9:30 AM

New Business

Participants: Mayor and City Council (Dwight Ginn absent), City Manager, City Attorney, City Treasurer, City Clerk, Director Community Services, Police Chief, Police Captain.

City Manager - Administrative Matters

- Resolution encumbering the reserves to provide for a municipal employees pension plan. Motion offered by Councilwoman Kelly, seconded by Councilman Williams, motion passed unanimously.
- Resolution amending the 2013 Fiscal Year Budget. Motion offered by Councilman Williams seconded by Councilwoman Kelly and the measure passed unanimously.
- Resolution changing the location for municipal elections. Motion offered by Councilman Sowell, seconded by Councilwoman Kelly which passed unanimously.
- Resolution upgrading the Code Enforcement Function and approving the appropriate Job Description. The matter was tabled pending a written analysis of the inventory of properties requiring compliance and with it an estimate of the work involved and timing of bringing all current properties up to acceptable standards.
- Ordinance adopting Flood Management Plan. Motion offered by Councilwoman Kelly, seconded by Councilman Williams and the measure passed unanimously.

- Police vehicle acquisition study and recommendations. An analysis was presented by the Police Department (a copy of which is attached) showing the preference for Dodge vehicles, illustrating a preference for leasing the needed vehicles through GMA and to await the results of the SPLOST vote in May 2014 before moving forward with any replacement vehicles. Motion was made to lease 5 vehicles for the Police Dept. by Councilwoman Kelly and Seconded by Councilman Williams and measure passed unanimously.
- Newsletter publication referencing 50 year marriage solicitations. The March Newsletter will be corrected to indicate that those who have alerted the City of their 50 year milestone will be advised of a planned celebration at the Community Center. The Mayor offered to personally pay for any associated costs so as not to use tax payer funds in underwriting this type of personal achievement.

City Attorney – Legal Matters

- Dellwood Property Disposition. The City Attorney advised of the various court orders governing the disposition of this property which includes the retention of a licensed real estate broker to perform a market analysis as a part of the City's ascertaining all direct and indirect selling costs after which the matter will be brought back to the Council for its final decision on disposing of the property.
- Upgraded Nuisance Ordinance – The City Administration will review the newly proffered ordinance and thereafter scheduled its adoption during the April Council Meeting
- Zoning Ordinance amendment on parceling Lake City Market Place Property. The new zoning permitted usage is scheduled for discussion and passage at the April 14th council meeting .
- Trailer Park updates, The City Attorney advised of the following developments:
 1. **SL Royal Oak, LLC, et al. v. Lake City (Nuisance Appeal)**

Description: Writ of Certiorari action filed by Plaintiffs appealing an August 8, 2013 Order of the Lake City Municipal Court finding Plaintiff SL Royal Oak LLC liable of maintaining a public nuisance in violation of Section 50-28 of the Lake City Code of Ordinances.

a. Status: Handled by FDWM; pending.

2. **SL Royal Oak, LLC, et al. v. Lake City (Business License Appeal)**
 - a. **Description:** Writ of Certiorari action filed by Plaintiffs appealing an August 8, 2013 Order of the Lake City Municipal Court finding Plaintiff SL Royal Oak LLC liable of operating without a business license in violation of Section 22-96 of the Lake City Code of Ordinances.
 - b. **Status:** Handled by FDWM; pending.

3. **SL Royal Oak, LLC v. Lake City (Zoning Appeal)**
 - a. **Description:** Writ of Certiorari action filed by Plaintiff appealing the Lake City Mayor and Council's refusal to reverse the City's denial of Plaintiff's application for an occupational tax certificate to operate as a mobile home business at 5500 Jonesboro Road, Lake City, Georgia.
 - c. **Status:** Handled by insurance counsel Carothers & Mitchell; dismissed by Plaintiff on 2/27/14 following inability to get a continuance on trial date.

4. **SL Royal Oak, LLC v. Lake City et al. (Declaratory Judgment Action)**
 - a. **Description:** This matter consists of a Petition for Writ of Mandamus, Declaratory Judgment and Injunctive Relief action filed by Plaintiff alleging that the City's denial of Plaintiff's application for an occupational tax certificate to operate as a mobile home business at 5500 Jonesboro Road, Lake City, Georgia is unconstitutional.
 - b. **Status:** Handled by insurance counsel Carothers & Mitchell, case pending in discovery stage.

There being no further business,
Motion to adjourn made by Councilman Sowell seconded by Councilman
Williams.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 AM