

THE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

Special Budget Workshop

Minutes

January 4, 2016

9:30 PM

Participants: Mayor and 3 Members of the Council (Dwight Ginn was absent), City Manager, City Treasurer, Captain of Police, Director, Community Services, City Financial Analyst.

A Talking Points Document was tabled to gain the Will of the Council on increasing revenue as a means to reduce the need for exclusively using reserves to pay debt service on the City Hall Building.

The following action took place:

- 1. It was the will of the Council to increase the Community Center Rental Fees from \$350 to \$500 per month for local residents with the rental fee of \$700 for non-City residents remaining the same. This measure to take effect immediately and to be prospective. This measure will produce \$23,400 in needed revenue to meet operating expenses at the Center.**
- 2. It was the will of the Council (Councilmember Hoover voted no to any change) to direct the administration to determine the procedures by way of lowering the present \$60,000 homestead exemption entirely or alternatively to a lower number. This measure was undertaken as a means to explore new avenues for meeting operating expenses in the future.**
- 3. It was not the will of the Council to consider increasing the sanitation tax by \$54 per year at this time.**
- 4. The Council was split (2 for – 2 against) on the need to produce a referendum to determine the prospect of recruiting a high end package store along Jonesboro Road.**

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 with the next budget workshop scheduled for January 7, 2016 at 1:00PM and the regular scheduled work shop for January 28th to begin at 6:00PM versus 9:30AM