

REGULAR SESSION OF THE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

AUGUST 13th, 2018

Attendees: Mayor Ron Dodson, Councilmember Sowell, Councilmember McDuffie, Councilmember Craven, Eddie Robinson, Chief Tony Whitmire, Eric Beckman, City Attorney Steve Fincher, City Manager Chris Leighty

6:00 PM Work Session:

1. The City manager briefed the Mayor and Council on the annual Christmas Tree lighting event that will take place on November 17th at 6:00 PM.
2. An update for MARTA light rail coming to Clayton County was discussed and the proposed route that would parallel the Norfolk Southern Rail Line and Highway 54 was tabled by the MARTA Board of Directors.
3. The Mayor and Council decided on an annual clean up day and that it would be held in the springtime.
4. A new parking ordinance was introduced by the City Manager with the recommendation that every residential street be included. There was a lot of discussion from the Mayor and Council. The main issue was how to make it pertain to all city streets versus the streets in the current ordinance.
5. The city manager briefed the council on the revisions made to the proposed noise ordinance. The major change was the removal of the provision to not allow blowers and other lawn maintenance to occur on Sunday's.
6. A proposal to revise Lake City code sections pertaining to tattoos.
7. The City Manager presented to the Mayor and Council a proposal to revise City Ordinance Section 10.88 Article III (Plumbing) to Lake City's code.

7:00 PM City Council Session:

Call to order: Mayor Dodson

Invocation: Dr. Richard Long Jones Memorial Methodist Church

Pledge of Allegiance:

Approval of Minutes:

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilmember McDuffie and seconded by Councilmember Sowell and were approved unanimously.

Old Business:

1. The updated amendment to Chapter 16 (Environment) Article III (Noise) of the City Code was presented to the council. A motion to pass the amendment was made by Councilmember Sowell and seconded by Councilmember McDuffie. The City Attorney Steve Fincher asked that Lines 49-56 be allowed to be amended because he did not like the way it was written. The Amendment was passed.

New Business:

1. The City Manager presented for discussion the updated amendment to the Parking Ordinance. Mayor Dodson stated it was important for the public to have input to the ordinance amendments. A resident asked if there was a distinction between a city street and a thoroughfare. There were numerous comments pertaining to the Parking Ordinance and a vote was not taken.
2. An amendment to the tattoo ordinance by adding to Chapter 12 an Article XI (Body Art and Tattooing) Sections 12-412 through 12-422. Councilmember Craven made a motion to approve the amendment, it was seconded by Councilmember Sowell. The amendment passed unanimously.
3. An amendment to the ordinances revising Section 10.88 of Division 1 Article III (Plumbing) of Chapter 10 was presented to the council. Councilmember Craven made a motion to accept the amendment and it was seconded by Councilmember McDuffie and passed unanimously.

Police Report: Police Chief Tony Whitmire

Public Comment:

1. A resident stated the person who lived on the corner of 1163 Sanders Way needed to cut their grass and bushes. The citizen was advised by the City Manger that he would have Code Enforcement go by and check it. Mayor Dodson and Councilmember Craven both stated they felt it would be good for the city to host a community meeting pertaining to code enforcement. Another resident stated she felt the city needed an updated welcome package to give to new residents. She was told by the City Manager the city has been working on one.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember McDuffie and seconded by Councilmember Craven and the meeting adjourned at 7:52 PM.