

# **REGULAR SESSION OF THE LAKE CITY COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES**

**OCTOBER 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Attendees:** Mayor Ron Dodson, Mayor Pro-Tem Hoover, Councilmember Sowell, Councilmember Craven, Eddie Robinson, Police Chief Tony Whitmire, Finance Director Tonya Tripp, City Attorney Steve Fincher, City Manager Chris Leighty

### **6:00 PM Work Session:**

Work Session was called to order by Mayor Dodson at 6:00 PM. First order of business was the required Third Public Hearing for the 2018 Millage Rate. The City Manager recommended to the Mayor and Council to keep the Millage Rate at 7.5 mills for the current year. There were no public comments or questions. The hearing closed at 6:15 PM.

Eddie Robinson briefed the Mayor Council about the water damage issue at the Lake City Community Center. He stated the city had received three estimates for the work to remove the water from under the Community Center and what the costs would be to complete the project. The Mayor and Councilmember Hoover asked what type of warranties were being offered for the work. Eddie and the City Manager stated they would look into the warranty and advise the council before any work was completed.

The Mayor and Council received a presentation form Doug Gebhart with the Davenport and Company. The presentation was about finding financing for a project to turn the front of City Hall into a park. Mayor Dodson recommended moving forward with Davenport and Company to seek finance options for the project.

The Police Chief gave an update pertaining to the Trunk or Treat event at Lake City Elementary School. The event will take place on October 26<sup>th</sup> at Lake City Elementary School from 5:00PM – 7:00

The City manager gave an update on the Christmas Tree lighting which will take place on November 17<sup>th</sup> at City Hall. Councilman Craven stated the city needed new speakers for the event because the old ones did not work very well.

Councilmember Hoover asked that we provide additional lighting for the sidewalk at city hall for the event.

The City Manager informed the Mayor and Council that North 2 South Cider Works were having their grand opening on October 13<sup>th</sup>.

The Mayor stated he wanted to know when new businesses opened in the city and that he would like to have a welcome package that would include a cake or large cookie to be delivered to them as a welcome to Lake City. Councilmember Hoover asked that a new Christmas Card be designed for the City. The City Manager stated he would look into having that done and have something for the Mayor and Council at the next meeting.

### **7:00 PM City Council Meeting:**

#### **Call to order:**

Meeting called to order by Mayor Dodson at 7:00 PM.

#### **Invocation:**

The invocation was conducted by Dr. Valerie Rogers, Pastor at A Word in Season International Ministries.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance:**

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

A motion to approve the minutes of the September council meeting was made by Councilmember Craven and seconded by Councilmember Hoover. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**Old Business: NONE**

**New Business:**

The City Manager briefed the Mayor and Council about finding financing for the park project at City Hall. The City Manager presented an agreement to the Council from Davenport and Company that was non-binding if the City chose not to move forward with the park project. A motion to approve the agreement was made by Councilmember Hoover and seconded by Councilmember Craven. It passed unanimously.

The City Manager presented an agreement to continue to participate with the Clayton County Entities pertaining to the ability to seek replacement funding to the loss of revenue from the FAA Fuel Tax. A motion to continue the partnership was made by Councilmember Craven and seconded by Councilmember Sowell. It passed unanimously.

**Police Report:**

Chief Whitmire gave an update on the Trunk or Treat event. It will take place October 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM at Lake City Elementary School. Councilmember Hoover asked that we advertise the event on our electronic sign at City Hall.

**Public Comment: NONE**

**Adjournment:**

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Sowell and seconded by Councilmember Hoover. The Meeting ended at 7:34 PM.