

REGULAR SESSION OF THE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

JANUARY 14th, 2019

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

6:00 PM Work Session:

The Work Session was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mayor Dodson.

Community Services Director Eddie Robinson gave an update to the repairs to the Community Center. He reported all work to repair and replace the floor was complete.

The City Manager presented a SPLOST update. There are several SPLOST Projects that will be completed in 2019. They include completion of Phase I of the Lake City Community Park, The installation of a new sound system and video upgrade to the Council Chambers. In addition, the City Manager informed the Mayor and Council, the matching funds for the repaving project on Forest Parkway was available. The City of Lake City partnered with Clayton County to repave Forest Parkway from Highway 54 to Highway 42. The grant has been approved by DOT but will probably not be completed until GDOT's fiscal year 2020.

Eddie Robinson advised the Spring clean up will take place April 27th, 2019.

7:00 PM City Council Session:

Call to order:

The Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Dodson at 7:00 PM.

Invocation:

The City Manager Chris Leighty gave the Invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:**Approval of Minutes:**

A motion to accept the minutes of the December 10th, 2018 Council meeting was made by Councilmember Craven and seconded by Councilmember Sowell the motion passed unanimously.

Old Business: None**New Business:**

The City Manager introduced the 2019 budget to be approved by the Mayor and Council. A motion to approve the budget was made by Councilmember Sowell and seconded by Councilmember Craven. The motion passed unanimously. The City Manager recognized the Finance Director Tonya Tripp for her outstanding work on the 2019 Budget. The City Manager also recognized the hard work and professionalism of all the Department Heads.

The next item on the agenda was take home vehicles for the Police Department. A motion to approve the take home vehicles was made by Councilmember Sowell and seconded by Councilmember Hoover. The motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor and Council appointed and approved the following appointments for 2019, Mayor Pro Tem JB Sowell, City Judge Keith Woods, Associate City Judge David Harris, City Attorney Steve Fincher, Clayton County Municipal Association Representative Councilmember Hoover, City Clerk Eric Beckman and Elections Manager Mazur.

Police Report:

Chief Whitmire gave an update to the Lake City Elementary School traffic analysis. Based on the traffic issues presented by the Chief, the Council approved for the Chief to move forward with the project.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro Tem Sowell and seconded by Councilmember Craven and passed unanimously. Council Meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM.