

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

## **MINUTES**

**November 11th, 2019**

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

### **6:30 PM Work Session:**

1. The City Manager gave an update for the annual Christmas Tree lighting. The event will take place on Friday, November 22nd, from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.
2. The City Manager gave an update for the 2021 SPLOST. The city will need to pass a resolution to accept the projects list for the 2021 SPLOST vote by the end of December 2019. Clayton County and the City will be in negotiations for an Inter -Governmental Agreement on the SPLOST distribution. The County will base the decision on distribution of monies based on the 2012 CENSUS.
3. The Mayor and Council received an update to the 2020 Budget. The Council agreed to have a future work session to discuss the 2020 Budget in detail.
4. The City Manager advised the Mayor and Council the annual Employee Appreciation Luncheon would take place Friday December 13<sup>th</sup> at the Lake City Community Center form 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM.
5. The Mayor and Council discussed the possibility of joining the Aerotropolis Atlanta Alliance. The Mayor and Council directed the City Manager to arrange for a representative from the Alliance to be available at the December Council meeting.

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

**Call to order:**

The Mayor called the Council Meeting to order at 7:03 PM

**Invocation:**

Director of Community Services Eddie Robinson gave the Invocation.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

**Approval of Minutes:**

**A motion to approve the minutes of the October Council meeting was made by Mayor Pro Tem Sowell and seconded by Councilmember Hoover. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Old Business: NONE**

**New Business:**

1. Jada Dawkins Communications Director for the Clayton County Public Schools gave an update pertaining to the School System.
2. Discussion of Noise Ordinance was made by City Attorney Steve Fincher. The city had an issue with fireworks being used late into the night. It was determined the current Noise Ordinance could be used to have addressed the problem.
3. The City made award presentations to Clayton State University's Nursing Program for their participation in the first ever Lake City Health Fair.
4. The City Presented a Certificate of Achievement to Felicia Styles for her work coordinating the Lake City Health Fair. In addition, the City recognized Sgt. George Fine and Cpl. David Lai for their Life Saving act of a Lake City Resident. The Police Chief presented both officers a Life Saving Ribbon to be worn on their uniform. The Mayor and Council presented a Proclamation to Lieutenant Terry Brannon for his work in Public Service. Lieutenant Brannon will be retiring at the end of November with a total of Forty-Four years in Law Enforcement.

**Police Report:**

Chief Whitmire gave the police report. He also introduced the recently hired Ahna Ramos. She was hired to fill a Police Officer Vacancy and will attend the Police Academy in 2020.

**Public Comment: NONE**

**Adjournment:**

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Craven and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sowell. The motion passed unanimously and the Council Meeting ended at 7:52 PM.