

REGULAR SESSION OF THE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

JANUARY 13th, 2020

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

6:00 PM Work Session:

1. The Council discussed a code change that would require for registration of residential rental properties in Lake City. Mayor Dodson recommended to table the item.
2. The Mayor and Council discussed a resolution to support the Community Development Block Grant application to purchase playground equipment for Lake City Community Park.
3. The Mayor and Council discussed and agreed the second annual Lake City Car Show will be held on April 4th, 2020.
4. The Mayor and Council Discussed and approved the date for the community clean up will be May 2nd, 2020.

7:00 PM City Council Session:

Call to order:

Mayor Dodson called the meeting to order at 6:59 PM.

Invocation:

The Invocation was made by Reverend Willie Jones.

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Colors were presented by Cub Scout Pack 912 from Morrow. The Pack Master led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Minutes:

Councilman Craven made a motion to accept the minutes the motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sowell. The minutes were approved.

Old Business: NONE

New Business:

1. The City conducted a swearing in ceremony for Mayor Ron Dodson, Councilman Chris Craven and Councilwoman Chyna Kyles. All three are beginning a four-year term.
2. The Mayor and Council made the required appointments for 2020. The following positions were filled. Mayor Pro Tem J.B. Sowell, City Judge Keith Woods, Associate City Judge David Harris, Associate City Judge Crandall Bray, City Attorney Steve Fincher, Clayton County Municipal Association Representative Mayor Ron Dodson, Election Superintendent Becky Mazur, and City Clerk Eric Beckman.
3. Resolution 2020-01 to approve the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget. Councilmember Hoover made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Sowell and passed unanimously.
4. Resolution 2020-02 was presented to the Mayor and Council. The purpose of the Resolution was to amend Resolution 2017-05 to increase the matching funds for the Forest Park paving project from \$500,000.00 to \$900,000.00. These monies will be paid from the Lake City SPLOST Account. A motion to approve the Resolution was made by Mayor Pro Tem Sowell and seconded by Councilwoman Kyles and passed unanimously.
5. Resolution 2020-03 was presented to the Mayor and Council that would approve the 2021 SPLOST distribution based on the 2010 CENSUS Count. The City of Lake City would receive approximately \$2.8 million dollars if it is approved by the voters. Mayor ProTem Sowell made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Councilmember Hoover. Councilwoman Kyles ask to clarify the amount would be the same as the 2015 SPLOST. The City Manager stated it would be approximately the same. The Resolution passed unanimously.
6. Resolution 2020-04 was presented to the Mayor and Council. This Resolution was to support the Community Development Block Grant

application of \$238,000.00 with matching funds capped at \$26,000.00. This is to purchase and install playground equipment at the Lake City Community Park.

Police Report:

Police Chief Whitmire reported that Part I crime was down 19% year to date. The Police Department promoted Officer Rowe to Corporal.

Public Comment:

During Public Comments there was concern over suspicious activity occurring on Tsali St.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro Tem Sowell and seconded by Councilwoman Kyles and passed unanimously. Council adjourned at 7:40 PM.