

REGULAR SESSION OF THE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

OCTOBER 12th, 2020

Attendees: Mayor Ron Dodson, Mayor Pro-Tem Sowell, Councilmember Hoover, Councilmember Craven, Councilwoman Kyles, Eddie Robinson, Police Assistant Chief Triplett, Code Enforcement Candy Walcott, City Attorney Michael Huening, City Manager Chris Leighty

6:30 PM Work Session:

1. Code Enforcement Officer Candy Walcott briefed the Mayor and Council on the 2020 CENSUS. Lake City had a self-reporting percentage of 45.8 percent. She also stated that 99.9 percent of the house holds had supposedly been counted.
2. Eddie Robinson gave an update of the playground for Lake City Community Park. He presented a power point presentation of the three finalists for the installation of the playground.
3. The City Manager gave an update for the annual Christmas Tree lighting. The Mayor suggested the city could still have the tree lighting and suggested people could park in the church parking lot across the street from City Hall. They could then safely watch the tree lighting.
4. The City Manager briefed the Mayor and Council on the annual employee appreciation luncheon. The City Manager proposed the city provide lunches for both sides of city hall. By doing so it would reduce the number of persons at each one. The employee recognition that takes place during the regular luncheon could be done at the December Council meeting.
5. The City Manager discussed with the Mayor and Council the renting of the Community Center for 2021. No action was taken at this time.

7:00 PM City Council Session:

Call to order: The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM

Invocation: The Mayor gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Approval of Minutes:

The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the minutes. Motion to accept was made by Councilmember Kyles seconded by Councilmember Craven. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Old Business:

1. The Mayor discussed the hiring of Clayton County to conduct the elections for Lake City. A motion to have Clayton County conduct all Lake City Elections was made by Councilmember Craven, seconded by Councilmember Hoover and passed unanimously.
2. The City Manager briefed the Mayor and Council on the three finalists for the Lake City Community Park Playground Design and Build. The Mayor and Council reviewed the power point presentation prepared by Eddie Robinson and after discussion the Mayor asked for a motion. Councilmember Hoover made a motion to award the Design and Build to Play South. Councilmember Craven seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. The Mayor and Council recognized the work of the court personnel for being awarded the Clearance Rate of Excellence Award. The award was presented to the Clerk of Courts Eric Beckman. This award is given to the top ten percent of the courts in each classification in the State of Georgia.

Police Report:

The Police Report was given by the Assistant Chief, Lieutenant Triplett. Lieutenant Triplett reported that PART I Crimes were down 11% for the month and 17% for the year as compared to 2019. In addition, he briefed the council on the new speed detection device the department purchased.

Public Comment:

Courtney Whitman of Nickle Works Consulting briefed the Mayor and Council on a Clayton County initiative to identify the best way to communicate with our community.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Hoover and was seconded by Councilmember Kyles. The motion passed unanimously and the Council Meeting ended at 7:43 PM.