

REGULAR SESSION OF THE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

JULY 12th, 2021

Attendees: Mayor Ron Dodson, Mayor Pro-Tem Craven, Councilmember Hoover, Councilmember Kyles, Director Community Services Eddie Robinson, Police Chief Tony Whitmire, City Attorney Mike Huening, City Manager Chris Leighty

6:30 PM Work Session:

1. City Manager briefed the Mayor and Council on an Employee Appreciation Day. The Mayor recommended getting a food truck for the event. The Mayor and Council recommended either August 13th or 20th for the date of the event.
2. The Mayor and Council received an update to the bidding process to remove the trees in front of the City Hall Building.
3. The Mayor and Council received an update to the renovations of the Nature Preserve from the Community Services Director Eddie Robinson.
4. The City Manager briefed the Mayor and Council about an update to a project being proposed for the Ingles Property. The update is scheduled to be presented to the Clayton County Board of Commissioners on July 27th, 2021.
5. The Mayor and Council was informed the city would have to change banks. Heritage Bank has been bought by a Credit Union out of Florida and because of Georgia Law the city can not continue to bank with the Credit Union. The Mayor and Council was advised by the City Manager the Finance Director and he was meeting with Ameris Bank.

7:00 PM City Council Session:

Call to order: The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

Invocation:

Pledge of Allegiance:

Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Pro-Tem Craven made a motion to amend the agenda. The motion was to post pone the vote on the Zoning request of Oakmont Acquisitions LLC until the August Council meeting. This motion was seconded by Councilmember Kyles and passed unanimously.

1. A motion to approve the minutes of the June Council meeting was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Craven and seconded by Councilmember Kyles. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business: None

New Business:

1. Zoning Vote postponed to the August Council Meeting.
2. The City Manager presented for Council approval a request to give premium pay to all full time and part time employees of Lake City. The total amount requested was not to exceed ninety-five thousand dollars. Mayor Pro-Tem Craven made a motion to approve the item and it was seconded by Councilmember Kyles and Hoover the motion passed unanimously. The City Manager was not included in this proposal but Councilmember Kyles made a motion to amend the approval to include the City Manager this was seconded by Councilmember Hoover and passed unanimously.

Police Report:

Police Chief Whitmire advised the council the Part I crime for June had increased by 12.5%. But Year to Date Part I crime was down 10%. The Chief also, advised the Mayor and Council the department had hosted its first Cops and popsicles at the Lake City Community Park with another event scheduled for the Flats Apartments on July 27th.

Public Comment:

A resident spoke to the Mayor and Council about she had paid some kids to pick up trash on her street and someone had called the police. She stated the Police was very professional and handled it well. The resident advised the Mayor and

Council to walk through the neighborhoods to get to know the kids.
Councilmember Kyles asked if the kids picking up trash lived in Lake City and the resident stated no one lived in Morrow and the other on in Forest Park.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Craven seconded by Councilmember Kyles and passed unanimously. The council meeting adjourned at 7:26 PM.