

REGULAR SESSION OF THE LAKE CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

September 12th, 2022

Attendees: Mayor Ron Dodson, Mayor Pro-Tem Hoover, Councilmember Kyles, Councilmember Craven, Councilmember Brown, Eddie Robinson, Police Chief Whitmire, City Attorney Paul Djikowski, City Manager Chris Leighty

6:30 PM Work Session:

1. The city manager advised the Mayor and Council on the upcoming city events. The rededication of the Oswalt Nature Preserve would take place on Wednesday September 28th at 3:00 PM. Community Clean up would be Saturday October 1st and the Christmas Tree Lighting would be Friday November 18th.
2. Eddie Robinson gave an update on city projects that included the completion of the sidewalk on Reynolds Road, and the delay of having the eight identified city streets paved was because the Clayton County Road crews were behind.
3. The Mayor gave a brief update of the Ingles Property Development. He stated that no permits had been requested through the city and he didn't know if the project would be developed. He stated the project had been approved through the Clayton County Development Authority and they owned the property.
4. The City Manager advised the Mayor and Council the insurance premiums for employees through the Georgia Municipal Authority had a twenty percent increase in premiums. Tonya Tripp the Finance Director reached out to the City's insurance Broker J. Smith Lanier to see if they could find a better cost for the insurance.

7:00 PM City Council Session:

Call to order:

Mayor Dodson called the Council meeting to order at 7:02 PM.

Invocation:

Mayor Dodson gave the invocation

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

Councilmember Craven made a motion to approve the minutes seconded by Councilmember Brown. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business:

1. The City Manager asked the council for approval for an additional \$20,000.00 to place crush along the sidewalk in the Oswalt Nature Preserve. Doing this would make the sidewalk safer by eliminating the drop off on the edge of the sidewalk. Eddie Robinson had a power point slide to show the council the difference with or without the crush. A motion to approve the additional funding was made by Councilmember Craven seconded by Councilmember Kyles and passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. The Mayor asked for a motion for a nomination for Mayor ProTem to replace Councilmember Hoover as the Mayor Pro Tem after she resigned from that position. Councilmember Craven nominated Councilmember Kyles for Mayor Pro Tem seconded by Councilmember Brown and Passed unanimously. Mayor Pro Tem Kyles will serve out the remaining time which will be until January 2024.
2. The Mayor and Council passed Resolution 2022-07 for setting the Millage rate at 7.5 percent. A motion to approve was made by Mayor Pro Tem Kyles and seconded by Councilmember Brown. The motion passed unanimously.
3. The Mayor and Council passed Resolution 2022-08 was to grant the Mayor authority to execute all necessary documents on behalf of the city in regards to the Local Option Sales Tax and Service Delivery Agreements with Clayton County.
4. A discussion pertaining to traffic calming ordinance was conducted and Mayor Pro Tem Kyles made a motion to have the city attorney to write a

draft ordinance to be presented to council at the next meeting. This was seconded by Councilmember Brown and passed unanimously.

5. A motion to discuss limiting the number of junkyards/scrapyards/recyclers was tabled.
6. A discussion of the 2022 lake City Comprehensive Plan. This was the first public reading of the plan as required by the Atlanta Regional Commission.
7. Community Services Director Eddie Robinson was recognized for completing the requirements through the Carl Vinson Institute of Government as a Certified Public Works Director.

Police Report:

1. Chief Whitmire briefed the Mayor and Council on Part I crime. There has been an increase primarily because of Theft and other property crimes.

Public Comment:

1. A resident from Waterford Court thanked the city for their response to neighborhood issues. In addition, they stated there was a fire hydrant that was leaking water. The City Manager advised he would notify Clayton County Fire.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilmember Craven and seconded by Councilmember Brown. Council was adjourned at 7:45 PM.