

Council Minutes Dec 18 –Revised Version

7:30PM

Call Meeting

December 18, 2012

Present: Mayor Schindler, Mayor Pro-Tem Sherrill, Council Members Lane, Whitfield, Moss, and City Clerk.

Welcomed by Mayor Schindler, followed by Pledge of Allegiance, and prayer.

First item on the agenda was the discussion and decision on the application for Alcoholic Beverage License and Sunday sales ancillary license for The House Saloon & Grill LLC, DBA Rajun Cajun. In attendance was owner Amy Marie Norris. After review, Mayor asked for any questions from the Council regarding the application request. Following a few operating questions and discussion, Mayor asked for a motion, Member Sherrill made a motion to approve the application. Member Whitfield second, all in favor, application approved.

Next item on the agenda was to amend the 2012 Budget. Mayor asked that the council review the amendments that were presented and asked for any discussion. Member Lane stated that there was a great deal about the 2012 Budget that he found unsettling. He also stated that he had thought of leaving the meeting to keep from a haphazard vote being made on the budget. Member Lane went on to state that he did not want the City to be out of compliance but felt as the amendments were being done due to a cover up by certain city officials not properly monitoring/handling expenses and the lack of expenditures being brought before the entire council. Member Whitfield stated that he resented Member Lane for making such accusations toward the Council and also stated that there had been numerous Budget Workshops that Lane was not in attendance for. Mayor asked Member Lane if there were specific transactions or expense checks that he would like to question. Member Lane questioned amount of payments to GMA for employee retirement fund, and questioned transferring funds from one account (fund) to another for expenses. Mayor asked for a motion. Member Whitfield made a motion to amend the 2012 Budget as per attached, Member Sherrill second, Members Lane and Moss opposed, Mayor voted in favor to amend and the motion passed.

Adoption of the 2013 Budget was next on the agenda. Mayor asked for discussion. Member Moss questioned the transfer from the Enterprise/Water fund into the General Fund in the amount of \$ 23,987 since it was so much greater than the budgeted transfer amount. The clerk informed Member Moss that funds from the Enterprise fund were zeroed out every year as directed by council for the past 15 years. Mayor stated that working on the budget was going to take all of the council to work together, make plans, and prepare a revised 2013 Budget for the City of Lake Park. Member Whitfield made a motion to adopt the 2013 Budget and Budget Resolution as presented with the stipulation that after the year ending audit report, the council would meet to review and amend what changes needed to be made within 90 days. Member Sherrill second the motion, Members Lane and Moss opposed, Mayor voted in favor of adopting the 2013 Budget and Budget Resolution, the motion passed.

Sealed bids for mowing right of way were reviewed. Member Whitfield made a motion to postpone the discussion and decision of the bids until the February 2013 meeting. Member Sherrill second, Member Moss voted in favor, Member Lane opposed and the motion passed.

Member Whitfield made a motion to adjourn, Member Sherrill second, Member Moss voted in favor, Member Lane opposed. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 8:00PM.

Read and Approved: _____

Date: _____