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Regular Meeting Minutes
November 12 @ 7:30 PM

Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. He then led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a prayer.

Those present for the meeting were as follows; Mayor Schindler, Mayor Pro Tem Sherrill, Council Members McDonald, Patterson, and Whitfield, Attorney Plumb, City Clerk, Police Chief Breletic, Fire Chief Brown, and concerned citizens.

Mayor announced the regular meeting would recess in order to open a public hearing at 7:35PM. (Hearing minutes attached)

Mayor called regular meeting back to order at 7:45PM.

Member McDonald request that the December 3 Regular Meeting be rescheduled for Monday December 2 at 7:30 PM. All agreed.

Mayor requested Council to review the minutes submitted since the last regular meeting. Member Sherrill made a motion to approve minutes submitted from the meetings held on October 1, 2, and 31 as well as November 4, 5, and 10 as written. Member Patterson second the motion, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor requested Council to review the financials submitted. Member Sherrill made a motion to accept the financials dated November 4, Member Patterson second, all in favor motion passed.

Citizens' Concerns – none at this time.

Mayor announced the second reading for Ordinance #106, regarding Quorum requirements. Mayor asked Clerk to read the Ordinance aloud. Member McDonald made a motion to accept Ordinance #106 as read, Member Patterson second. Member Sherrill addressed the council with some of the citizens' concerns that had been brought to her attention. After discussion, Mayor called for a vote, all opposed; motion dies.

Mayor called for Council review of the Intergovernmental Agency Agreement for building inspection services. Member Sherrill made a motion to join into county agreement for building inspector services, member Patterson second. When question called Members Sherrill, Patterson, and McDonald for, Member Whitfield oppose, motion passed. Council did request to get a fee schedule from the county for their review.

Mayor called for the 1st reading of Ordinance #21, amendments #11 of the Enterprise reconnect fees. Member Patterson made a motion to proceed with Ordinance 21 to increase reconnection fees, Member Sherrill second. After some discussion Member Patterson withdrew his motion due to the need of the 2nd reading on December 2.

Mayor called for Department reports. They were as follows; Water & Maintenance department (1) backhoe still not repaired. Contacted a mechanic but he has not followed up with problems or prices. (2) DOT continues to remind us to keep streets and culverts/drains free of pine straw and debris. (3) Currently researching storm drain screens. (4) Rentz house bushes trimmed and debris cleared. (5) Continuing with renovations to Police Station. (6) Water system is monitored on a daily basis. (7) Holiday decorations will be going up after Thanksgiving. Consider rental of a Hi Low to put up decorations.

Mayor called on Police Chief to give his report.

Mayor called on Fire Chief to give his report.

Member Sherrill made a motion to allow Fire Chief Brown to pay \$5,992.59 from the fire department budget for those funds to be replaced with GMA Fire Department Grant money, Member Whitfield second for discussion, all in favor, motion passed.

Member Sherrill made a motion to allow Chief Brown to go to Fire Marshall Training, Member Whitfield second, all in favor, motion passed.

Member Sherrill made a motion to approve fire department to begin using eDispatches to receive their fire calls, Member Whitfield second, all in favor, motion passed.

Council request to add agenda item Fire Chief Brush Truck access to be added to December 2 agenda.

Mayor called for discussion of the purchase of fire truck and disposal of one current truck. Council agreed to move item to the end of the agenda list. No action at this time.

Mayor announced discussion of the petition for street opening. Council called on Police Chief to give safety concerns and professional opinion. Council request documentation of ownership for the area in question and the right of way information. Council will re-approach in December 2 meeting.

Mayor called for agenda item of court technology fees. Discussion regarding the technology fee and what fines it would apply to, Member Patterson made a motion to set up an Ordinance to include a \$10.00 fee on court fines. No second on the motion, motion dies.

Mayor asked for Council to review Island Annexations into City Limits. After discussion the council requested a list of property address and property owners in those areas and Council will re-approach at a later date.

Mayor called on Police Chief to discuss Wex Fuel Cards. Chief presented the specifications of the fuel card use and expected savings from using the card. Member Sherrill made a motion to allow Police Chief and Police Officers to begin using the Wex Fuel Cards for their department. Police Chief and Mayor and Council will monitor the process before allowing all department access. Member Patterson seconds the motion, all in favor motion passed. Member Sherrill also made a motion that the police department will fill up on east side of 75 unless in an emergency situation. When question called Member Sherrill, Patterson, and McDonald for, Member Whitfield oppose, motion passed.

Mayor asked for the Council to consider a cell phone reimbursement for Police Chief Breletic as has been so in the past. Member Patterson made a motion to reimburse Police Chief \$50.00 per month for the business use of his cell phone. Member Whitfield second the motion, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor asked the Council to review the provided information regarding an Electronic payment system for City Hall. After discussions, Council suggest contract be reviewed by City Attorney and re-approach at a later date.

Mayor announced that the Council needed to set a date for Christmas Party and announce the dates of other holiday activities. Lake Park City Christmas Tree Lighting will be held at City Hall and Lake Park Civic Center on December 5 at 7:00PM. The City of Lake Park Christmas Party will be held on Thursday December 12 at 7:00 at the Civic Center.

Mayor called for action from the Council. Member Sherrill made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss real estate and personnel, Member Patterson second, all in favor motion passed. Council entered into Executive Session at approximately 10:30 PM.

Mayor called for action from the Council. Member Sherrill made a motion to return to Regular session at approximately 11:15 PM and for Mayor to sign the Affidavit and Executive Session Resolution. Member Patterson second the motion, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor asked Council for any business action. Member Sherrill made a motion to approve the \$52,500 purchase of a fire truck from Brindlee Mountain and also to pay expenses of fire chief for accommodations and expenses incurred in travel to take possession of truck from the SPLOST 6 funds. Member Patterson second the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

Mayor asked for any further business action, Member Sherrill made a motion to allow up to \$3,500 from SPLOST to renovate Clerk's office and complete renovation to Police Department, Member McDonald second. When question called, Members Sherrill, McDonald, and Whitfield for Member Patterson opposed motion passed.

Mayor asked for any further action, Member Sherrill made a motion for the Council to take the next step pertaining to real estate as discussed in Executive Session, Member Whitfield second for discussion. When question called Member Sherrill for and Members Whitfield, McDonald, and Patterson oppose. Motion dies.

Mayor asked if there were any other business, Member Patterson made a motion to purchase 2 new police cars, keep the current cars and get rid of the current SUV. (2-2011 Dodge Chargers at \$35,600) No other action, motion dies for lack of second.

Citizens' Concerns

Being no further business, Member Whitfield made a motion to adjourn, Member Sherrill second, all in favor meeting adjourned at 11:45PM.

Tabatha Fowler
Read and Approved

12-02-13
Date