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Mayor Schindler called Council Meeting to order at 7:30 PM. Mayor called on special guest Michelle Manhart, of Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association 25-5, Safeside (CVMA) to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. The Pledge was followed by an invocation given by Mayor Schindler.

Those present were as follows; Mayor Schindler, Mayor Pro Tem Ronald Carter, Council Members Paul Mulkey and Bert Rutland, City Clerk, Maintenance Supervisor Patterson, and citizens.

Mayor began by opening the floor for the public hearing on Ordinance # 109 and Ordinance 104 Amendment 1 at 7:39 PM

He asked if anyone wished to speak in opposition to the Ordinance 109, to amend Chapter 9, Article I of the Code of the City of Lake Park Georgia, to add a new Section 9-7 to prohibit swimming or boating on the waters of Tom's Pond, and for other purposes; and there was none. He asked if anyone wished to speak in favor to the to amend Chapter 9, Article I of the Code of the City of Lake Park Georgia, to add a new Section 9-7 to prohibit swimming or boating on the waters of Tom's Pond, and for other purposes., there was none.

He asked if anyone wished to speak in opposition to the Ordinance 104, Amendment 1, to amend Chapter 3 Section 3-16 of the Code of the City of Lake Park Georgia, to allow and regulate Sunday package sales of alcoholic beverages, set the legal hours of sale and for other purposes and to amend Section 3-146 to establish the license fee for Sunday package sales, there was none. He asked if anyone wished to speak in favor to amend Chapter 3 Section 3-16 of the Code of the City of Lake Park Georgia, to allow and regulate Sunday package sales of alcoholic beverages, set the legal hours of sale and for other purposes and to amend Section 3-146 to establish the license fee for Sunday package sales;

Mike Rutherford, Egret Way came forward and asked for verification on this action, he stated he thought it was done previously. Mayor explained that the process is to have 2 readings before Council takes a vote. Rutherford further asked for verification on sale hours.

With no further comments or questions, Mayor Schindler closed the Public Hearing at 7:43 PM.

Mayor opened up the Regular Council Meeting for city business. Mayor asked Council to review the minutes from April 2, 2015 Call Meeting and April 7, 2015 Regular Meeting.

Member Carter made a motion to accept the minutes as submitted, Member Mulkey second, all in favor, motion passed.

Mayor asked Council to review the financials from April 2015. Member Carter made a motion to accept the financials as presented, Member Mulkey second, all in favor motion passed.

#### Citizens' Concerns

Richard Moore, 809 Corbett Rd Lake Park, asked for Council's help removing low hanging limbs and moss on his street.

Mike Rutherford, Egret Way Lake Park, also mentioned an area of concern with low hanging limbs. Council advised him that the area he was stating was outside the city limits and he would need to contact Lowndes County.

Mayor stated for information purposes that an appointment of Councilmember for term ending 12/31/2015 was optional due to no one qualifying in the two opportunities given to citizens. Attorney had advised that within six months of the election, Council can appointment someone to the open seat or leave vacant till the election.

Mayor called for Adoption of Ordinance # 109, to basically prohibit swimming or boating on the waters of Tom's Pond. Member Rutland asked for discussion and after discussion Member Rutland made a motion to deny Ordinance 109 due to the fact that it was wrong to prohibit some but not all, Member Carter second the motion, Member Mulkey oppose, motion passed.

Mayor called for Adoption of Ordinance # 104, amendment # 1, to allow and regulate Sunday package sales of alcoholic beverages, set the legal hours of sale and for other purposes and to amend Section 3-146 to establish the license fee for Sunday package sales. Member Rutland made a motion to adopt Ordinance 104 amendment 1, Member Mulkey second, all in favor, motion passed.

Mayor gave the First reading, Ordinance # 29, amendment # 9, revised schedule of fines and penalties to be imposed by the Municipals Court of the City of Lake Park for violations of state and local law, and for other purposes. Member Rutland asked Attorney Plumb if the revised schedule was acceptable and Attorney Plumb replied that all revisions fell within the state guidelines. Second reading of Ordinance # 29, amendment # 9 will be during June regular meeting.

#### Mayor called for department reports

Maintenance Supervisor Jeff Patterson came forward to give his report which included the following;

New meters installed and working, first reading took about 20 minutes whereas before it took about 2 days

We have a work order for the limbs on Corbett road and will begin on that tomorrow. For Council's information, due to lack of burning property our yard waste dumpster fee will increase.

Asked Council to consider declaring old meters (290) that were removed as surplus.

Member Rutland made a motion to declare the 290 old meters that were replaced as surplus, Member Mulkey second, all in favor motion passed.

Patterson further mentioned that he submitted a bid for the drainage issue on Jackson Circle.

Member Rutland asked for advice from Attorney Plumb on the liability of the city and Plumb said he was not sure of the situation and needed time to research. Member Rutland made a motion to table discussion until June regular meeting. No motion needed at this time, this item will be added to the June agenda.

Fire Chief David Brown came forward to give his report which included the following;

- 1. The breakfast on April 4<sup>th</sup> went good we had local and state representatives and would have been great if we would had more city representation there. The reason we hold these breakfast is so when we need help and support from our representatives they know who we are and that why it's important that our local delegation participate. We had Lowndes County Commissioner Mark Wisenbaker, State Rep John Corbett and State Senator Ellis Black attend
- 2. We have applied for 5 grants 2 from AFG FEMA (Fire prevention 9895.00 & SCBA's23944.00) 1 from homeland security (Fire & Police radios 113778.00) and 1 from Norfolk southern railroad (1000.00), 1 from GMA (6000.00). This totals 154617.00
- 3. The AFG Grant we applied for last December for 4 SCBA's the first round of awards went out this pass Friday.
- 4. Safety Coordinator Class will be on June 10 in Macon. Suggest that clerk should attend as well due to her being responsible for taking the safety meeting minutes and being the main contact of correspondence regarding grants.
- 5. We need to purchase cribbing for the air bags 1400.00
- 6. Children's friend learning center will visit the fire house on June 18<sup>th</sup> and July 9<sup>th</sup> they will have a water day at Tom's pond
- 7. Cathi Brown & Bob Elworthy completed firefighter support class held during the month of April this was offered to us by LCFR.
- 8. Georgia Forestry tanker application

Member Rutland made a motion to put the city's name in the pot with forestry program to be on the look for a 5000 gallon tanker, Member Mulkey second, all in favor motion passed.

- 9. Rescue 1 throttle issues.
- 10. T.V.
- 11. Excessive fire alarm fines

Mayor announced some information regarding the 4<sup>th</sup> of July planning/activities. As of today, this year's event will begin on Friday July 3 at 6:00 PM with the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade, followed by a street dance with live music and vendors. Saturday will begin in the afternoon with vendors, food, music, children's games, water slide, bounce house, and much more. Ending the evening will be the best firework show of all times. Julie Wilbers asked for any help with contact information with the Lake Park churches.

Mayor called for discussion regarding staggered Council terms. Explaining that a staggered term would be effective January 2016 and would be decided by the following; 2 lowest voted members will serve a 1 year term

2 highest voted members will serve a 2 year term

Member Rutland made a motion for Council to go to a staggered 4 year term, Member Mulkey second, all in favor motion passed. Attorney Plumb advised that the changes, if approved, would not take effect until 2017 or 2018.

Mayor announced and read a Proclamation for National Public Works Week.

#### Citizens' Concerns

Julie Wilbers, Back Forty, suggested using the fact that this is the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the City of Lake Park, to be included on signage, advertisements, and or banners.

Bert Rutland, Marion Ave. stood and stated he wanted to thank Michelle Manhart for her bravery and patriotism during the recent protest that involved the American Flag being walked on at VSU.

During Exec./Admin reports, Mayor announced the following;

There will be a raffle to help offset the cost of the fireworks and supplies for the July 4<sup>th</sup> Celebration. There will be a total of 5 guns raffled off at 20\$ per ticket.

City of Lake Park will be participating during the Parade of Flags at the GMA Convention in Savannah.

Being no further business, Member Mulkey made a motion to adjourn at 8:32 PM, Member Rutland second, all in favor motion passed.

Read & approved Julia Read & Date June 2, 2015

#### National Public Works Week

### By the Mayor and Council of **City of Lake Park**A Proclamation

WHEREAS, public works infrastructure, facilities and services are of vital importance to sustainable communities and to the health, safety and well-being of the people of City of Lake Park; and,

WHEREAS, such facilities and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, engineers, managers and employees from State and local units of Government and the private sector, who are responsible for and must plan, design, build, operate, and maintain the transportation, water supply, water treatment and solid waste systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential to serve our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders and children in the United States of America to gain knowledge of and to maintain a progressive interest and understand the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities,

WHEREAS, the year 2015 marks the 55<sup>th</sup> annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association be it now,

RESOLVED, I, Eric Schindler, Mayor of the City of Lake Park, do hereby designate the week May 17-23, 2015 as National Public Works Week; and I urge all our people to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association and government agencies in activities and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our public works professionals, engineers, managers and employees and to recognize the substantial contributions they have made to our national health, safety, welfare and quality of life.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the State of [insert State] to be affixed,

DONE at the City of Lake Park, Georgia this the day of May 2015.

Eric Schindler

Mayor

By the City of Lake Park Council