



120 North Essa Street, Lake Park, Georgia 31636

City of Lake Park
Regular Meeting
Minutes
September 2, 2014

Mayor Schindler called the meeting to order on September 2, 2014 at 7:30 PM. Those present were as follows; Mayor Schindler, Mayor Pro Tem Ronald Carter, Council Members Paul Mulkey, and Bert Rutland, Attorney Plumb, and Clerks.

Mayor began with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by the invocation.

Mayor called to order the Public Hearing for the text amendments LP 2014-02. Todd Miller from the RDC came before Council and read the Staff report for the Greater Lowndes County Planning Commission from August 25, 2014. Their recommendation was to approve the LP-2014-02 for the Text Amendment to the Use Table of the Lake Park Zoning Ordinance. Mayor asked if there was anyone that wished to speak in favor or against the text amendment. There was no one to speak so the Public Hearing closed at 7:45 PM.

Mayor Schindler then requested Council review the August 5th 7:00 PM Public Hearing minutes, August 5th 7:30 Public Hearing minutes, and the August 5th Regular Meeting Minutes. After review of the minutes Member Carter made a motion to accept and approve the minutes as presented, Member Rutland second, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor Schindler asked Council to review the August financials. After review of the financial statements, Member Carter made a motion to accept and approve the financials as presented, Member Rutland second, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor called for Citizens' Concerns. There was none at this time.

Mayor called on Ryan Conway with Colonial Life to approach Council for his proposal of employee benefits. No action taken at this time.

Mayor called for discussion on Text Amendment – LP 2014-02 (allowing religious meetings in a tent or temporary structure in C-C and CH as a matter of right). Member Mulkey made a motion to adopt Text Amendment LP 2014-02 recommended by the Greater Lowndes County Planning Commission, Member Rutland second, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor called on agenda item of an Alcohol Application for Lake Dogs. Mayor asked Josh Allen to come forward as applicant for the alcohol license. After Council discussion with Mr. Allen Member Rutland made a motion to grant the alcohol license to Josh Allen for Lake Dogs, Member Mulkey second, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor called for the first reading of Ordinance #108 and stated that second reading should be put on October's agenda. No action at this time.

Mayor asked for Council to review the suggested amendments to the SPLOST VI expenditures and revenue. Those amendments are as follows;

Expenditures

Road, Street and Bridge projects	\$ 26,800
Water and Sewer	\$ 47,500
Public Works	\$ 59,680
Police	\$ 182,700
Fire	\$ 145,800
Admin.	\$ 56,700
Retirement of Gen. Obligation debt (fire dept)	\$ 10,000

Revenue

Original	\$752,350
Actual	\$529,200

Member Rutland made a motion to approve the suggested amendments to SPLOST VI expenditures and revenues as submitted, Member Mulkey second, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor called for department reports.

Maintenance Supervisor Jeff Patterson came forward to give the maintenance and water department report that included items as the retraction of the DOT mowing service contract, water valve replacement, water testing results, assisting with school crossing, and update on gators and snakes.

Fire Chief David Brown came forward to give the fire department report. He stated that they received 3 calls within the last month; he had done 3 fire inspections at different businesses in the city, fire department membership remains at 20, update on mini pumper, and would like to plan a first responder's class to be held at the fire station for approximately 10 people at a cost of \$300 each.

Police Chief James Breletic came forward to give his report. (See attached)

Mayor called on next agenda item of Repayment 2012 to Cemetery and Water funds. Certificates of deposit were cashed and deposited into the General Fund operation; Cemetery CD for \$17,470, and Water CD for \$15,677. Mayor, Council, and Attorney discussed the subject of the repayment plan in detail. Member Rutland began by making a motion to pay back the Cemetery fund in 3 equal payments in 3 consecutive years. Further discussion began about the budgeting process for this repayment plan and Member Rutland withdrew his motion. Member Rutland then made a motion for the General Fund to re-pay the Cemetery fund \$17,470 from 2012 in 3 equal payments, in 3 subsequent years beginning 2015. Member Carter second the motion and when question

was called all in favor, motion passed. Member Carter made a motion to include the repayment to the water account (\$15,677) to be included in the 2015 Budget process, Member Rutland second, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor asked Council for their Ethics Committee appointment. Clerk Consultant Ann Peterson advised that Mrs. Jena Sandlin declined the request to be appointed. Mayor stressed to Council to discuss and find someone to appointment and to move the agenda item to October's agenda.

Mayor called for agenda item fees for rezoning - Special Exception (SE) and Board of Appeals Request (BOA). Currently the City of Lake Park is recouping our expenses as regular advertising costs are approximately \$83+, posting property \$20.00, using Regional Development office for processing paperwork submitted to Planning Commission, attending their meeting and City Council, minimum of \$105, and in addition to certified letters cost of \$6.49 each. Member Rutland made a motion to increase the base fee to \$300, and all certified letters at \$6.49 each for Rezoning, and Special Exceptions request and for Board of Zoning Appeals, increase to \$200 and cost of certified mailing. Member Mulkey second the motion all in favor motion passed.

Mayor asked Council for a nomination to serve as MPO Representative for City of Lake Park. Member Rutland made a motion to accept Keith Sandlin as MPO Representative, Member Mulkey second, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor called for agenda item of bids on vehicles; there were none at this time. Mayor and Council suggest running on Gov. Deals for 60 days. No action taken.

Mayor asked for any Citizens' Concerns. None at this time.

Mayor began with Admin. /Executive reports.

Mayor stated that City Hall was contacted by Amanda Anderson to request a street light to be put on her block. Request was discussed but no action taken.

Mayor stated a notice from Municode regarding outstanding Ordinances 603 and Ordinance 7 amendment 5 in the amount of \$944. After discussion the item was tabled until the 2015 Budget Workshop.

Being no further business, Member Rutland made a motion to adjourn, Member Mulkey second, all in favor motion passed, meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Read & approved Isabella Fowler Date 10/7/2014