

City of Lake Park Regular Meeting October 3, 2017 7:30 PM Agenda

Minutes September 5 Regular Meeting, September 14 Budget Work Session, September 28 Budget Work Session

Financial – September 2017

Citizens' Concerns

Tom's Pond Veterans Memorial Trustees Proposal

Tom's Pond Veterans Memorial Refund request

Alcohol license – Lake Dogs @ Long Pond

LMIG Project plan

Emergency Management Compensation

CBDG

2018 Budget

Department Reports

Citizens' Concerns

Admin/Executive Reports

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Mayor Schindler called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by an invocation.

Those present were as follows; Mayor Schindler, Mayor Pro Tem Debbie Sauls, Council Members Ronald Carter, Rubinell McDonald, and Jena Sandlin, Clerk Tabatha Fowler, Clerk Consultant Ann Peterson, Fire Chief Brown, Police Chief Breletic, Maintenance Supervisor Jeff Patterson, and citizens.

Mayor asked Council for review of the minutes from September 5 Regular Meeting, September 14 Budget Work Session, September 28 Budget Work Session. Member Carter made a motion to accept minutes as written, Member Sandlin second, all in favor, motion passed.

Mayor called for review of the September 2017 financials. Member Carter made a motion to accept the financials as presented, Member McDonald second, all in favor, motion passed.

Citizens' Concerns

Julie Wilbers, 328 Back Forty Dr. Lake Park, GA 31636, read a statement regarding the minutes of the Tom's Pond Veterans Memorial Trustees meetings.

Laura Minchew, 5840 Rivera Prada Lake Park, GA 31636, addressed Council about Tom's Pond Veterans Memorial Trustees and their plans for the memorial.

Tabatha Fowler, 211 Lawrence St. Lake Park, GA 31636, addressed the Tom's Pond Veterans Memorial Trustees and Council against moving the memorial.

Mayor called for the Tom's Pond Veterans Memorial Trustees Proposal. Trustees Chairman David White came before Council to ask for approval of their site plan. Discussion regarding the moving of the memorial, needed engineering plans, and an actual architectural drawing followed. Attorney Plumb made recommendations to Council in regards to planning and preparation of the memorial. Member Carter made a motion to keep the memorial where it was, Mayor called for a second, no second, motion dies. Member Sauls asked for Council to go out to Tom Pond with the trustees to review the site. Member Sandlin stated that they had done that and that they were all out there when they picked the site. Member Sandlin question the difference in locations, and the distance between the sites. After more discussion, Member Sandlin made a motion to accept the plan as presented and all the trustees to go forward, Member Sauls second. Attorney Plumb made recommendations on setting clear expectations for trustees and what was wanted from them. When question called Members Sandlin, Sauls, and McDonald for, Member Carter oppose, motion passed.

Mayor called for Tom's Pond Veterans Memorial Refund request. Mayor advised that there was a refund request in the amount of \$4106.47 and the account balance is currently \$4948. If a refund is granted, that will leave an account balance of \$841.67. Mayor asked for council to

discuss then called for a vote. There was none. Mayor advised again that Council would have to make a decision on this matter. Member Carter addressed the Council. Mayor called once more for a vote, no action taken. Mayor stated that the agenda item be added to the November meeting agenda.

Mayor called for review of alcohol license application for Lake Dogs @ Long Pond. Chief Breletic came forward and introduced Billy D. Weldon, new owner of establishment. After reviewing the application, Member Sandlin made a motion to approve the application, Member McDonald second. Mayor called for a vote, Members Sandlin, McDonald, and Sauls in favor, Member Carter abstained, motion passed.

Mayor called for discussion about LMIG Project plan. No action taken at this time item will be put on November agenda to readdress. Mayor asked for a listing of all damaged signs and signs needing to be replaced to meet state requirements.

Mayor called on Connie Martinez to come forward regarding the Emergency Management Compensation. Martinez gave a review of the paperwork and process she was currently working on in order to file for FEMA reimbursement after Hurricane Irma. Mayor asked for Council to consider compensating Martinez, which would also be eligible for reimbursement, at \$12 per hour for up to 85 hours. Mayor also suggested that if the city receives storm expense reimbursement that he would like to see the city invest in a digital sign for city hall to use to keep citizens informed. Member Sauls made a motion to pay Martinez \$12 an hour for up to 85 hours to handle the paperwork needed to submit for the Emergency Management Compensation. Member Carter second the motion, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor then asked for Council to consider compensation for the 50 hours that Martinez spent in the "storm bunker" with the emergency management team. Member Carter made a motion to pay Martinez \$12 an hour for the 50 hours that she spent during the storm, Member Sauls second the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

Mayor stated that city had received information regarding the CDBG results. Clerk Fowler reported that she was advised by Mike Jacobs, SGRC, that the City of Lake Park application was considered ineligible due to the Valdosta Lowndes Service Delivery Agreement. Mayor asked for Attorney Plumb to research and get back to Council regarding the ineligibility.

Mayor asked for Council to set another date for a 2018 budget workshop. Workshop was set for Tuesday October 17, 2017 at 7:00 PM to be held in the Civic Center due to court being held in chamber room. *Council will also discuss upcoming Christmas event dates.

Mayor called for Department Reports

Police Chief James Breletic came forward to give the police department report. That report included current investigations, calls, miles traveled patrolling the city, approximate citations issued, and software and computer update needs. He further reported that he had received a price of \$825 each on the computers needed for his department and a total of \$3550 total amount needed to update the computers and software. Member Carter made a motion to approve the purchase of said computers and software up to \$3550 to be paid from SPLOST VII fund and coded to police public safety account code, Member Sauls second the motion, all in favor, motion passed.

Fire Chief David Brown came forward to give the fire department report. See attached.

Maintenance Supervisor Jeff Patterson came forward to give the maintenance and water department reports. He reported that the city was getting back to normal after the storm. Patterson reported about preparations that were made, and the clean-up process following the storm. He said he was working with Connie Martinez on getting all the work hours, equipment used, and preparation steps taken reported to the Emergency Management groups. Patterson went on to say he wanted to make sure to thank the Boy Scout Troop for coming and helping with the clean-up efforts, Chad Harrell, Connie Martinez, Fire Chief David Brown and his volunteers, and Sgt. Kinsey for all their help during and after the storm.

Mayor announced that the City of Lake Park would be sponsoring a Meet the Candidate Forum on Thursday October 5, 2017 at 6:30 PM at the Civic Center. He encouraged everyone to come out and meet the candidates and hear their ideas for the city's future.

Citizens' Concerns

Terry Dees, 3020 US Hwy 41 S, addressed Council regarding the Veteran's Memorial. He stated he was not in favor of moving it and he stated that it is important to get an architectural drawing as well as an engineering approval before building; otherwise you could be wasting your time and money.

Julie Schindler, 328 Back Forty Dr. addressed Council regarding concern about moving the memorial.

Austin Patterson, 513 Ricks Ave. addressed Council and stated he thought it was disrespectful to move the memorial.

Ronnie Sauls, 1100 West Marion Ave, addressed Council stating that the people against moving the memorial were disrespecting the Veterans that the memorial is supposed to be for. He also stated that he didn't feel that people that were not residents of the city should not have any input on these issues.

Laura Minchew, 5840 Rivera Prada Lake Park, GA 31636, addressed Council and stated she was not city resident but she supported the city and cared for what happens. She further stated she didn't believe that Mr. White knew what he was getting himself into and didn't realize the task at hand. She further stated that she believed all the donations that had been collected were for the memorial and site established previously.

James Breletic, 120 N Essa St. addressed Council and asked for permission to invite trustees Chairman David White to accompany him to Lowndes County to meet with code enforcement to review and discuss the building and site requirements for the memorial.

Bob Wilbers, 328 Back Forty Dr. addressed Council and stated that his mother was the one that wanted to put up the Veterans Memorial and worked on the project for over two years without any issues until now. And now the Council is mistreating her and disrespecting everything that she had worked hard to do.

Being not further business, Member Sandlin made a motion to adjourn at 9:45 PM, all in favor, motion passed.

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City of Lake Park Work Session At the Civic Center

October 17, 2017 7:00 PM

Agenda

2018 Budget

Event Dates – Christmas tree lighting

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City of Lake Park Work Session At the Civic Center

October 17, 2017 7:00 PM

Minutes

Mayor Schindler called the 2018 Budget work session to order and led with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by an invocation.

Those present were as follows; Mayor Schindler, Mayor Pro Tem Debbie Sauls, Council Members Ronald Carter, Rubinell McDonald, and Jena Sandlin, Clerks Tabatha Fowler, and Ann Peterson, and citizens.

Mayor and Council discussed setting the date and times for the Christmas Tree Lighting Event. No action taken.

Mayor and Council reviewed department budgets and made adjustments as necessary to balance. No action taken.

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City of Lake Park Emergency Call Meeting

October 26, 2017

9:00 AM

Agenda

Water Well Pump Personnel

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Emergency Call Meeting Minutes

October 26, 2017 9:00 AM

Mayor Schindler called the Emergency Call Meeting to order at 9:00 AM and led with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Those present were as follows; Mayor Schindler, Mayor Pro Tem Debbie Sauls, Council Members Ronald Carter, Rubinell McDonald, and Jena Sandlin, Clerk Tabatha Fowler, and citizens.

The Mayor called on Stephen Calhoun, Suez-Utility Service Co, to present the well pump inspection report. Calhoun explained the findings on the inspection, photos of the damage to the pump, and a bid of \$21,808 to upgrade and improve it. Member Carter made a motion to approve the upgrade and repairs to the well pump in the amount of \$21,808 to be paid in two payments from the SPLOST VII fund, Member Sauls second, all in favor, motion passed.

Mayor called on Police Chief James Breletic to discuss personnel. No action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 AM.

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