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City of Lake Park Regular Meeting April 3, 2018 7:30 PM

Agenda

Minutes March 6 Regular Meeting, and March 26 Work Session
Financial – March
Citizens' Concerns
Department Reports - GMA Firefighter Program
Real Estate – Keith Sandlin
Quote for Historical Society
Website
Citizens' Concerns

Admin/Executive Reports



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Minutes

Mayor Schindler called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by an invocation at 7:30 PM.

Those present were as follows; Mayor Schindler, Mayor Pro Tem Ronald Carter, Council Members Tom Barr, Debbie Sauls, and Carl Taylor, Clerk Tabatha Fowler, Deputy Clerk Connie Martinez, Fire Chief David Brown, Police Chief James Breletic, Maintenance Supervisor Jeff Patterson, and citizens.

Mayor called for review of the minutes of March 6 Regular Meeting, and March 26 Work Session. Member Carter made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Member Taylor second, all in favor, motion passed.

Mayor called for review of the financials of March 2018, Member Carter made a motion to accept the financial as presented, Member Barr second. Member Sauls asked about outstanding property taxes owed to the city, Clerk advised that Lowndes County was contracted to bill, collect, and handle outstanding property taxes. We are mailed the city portion and sent updates on outstanding balances; currently we are still receiving property taxes collections that date back to 2012 forward. Mayor asked clerk to get updated totals for all past due property taxes owed to the city. When question called all in favor motion passed.

Citizens' Concerns

Chris Sauders, Edward Jones Company, stated he was representing his company and would like for Council to know they are actively looking for building to move business back into Lake Park.

Alan Dumbar, Valdosta, wanted to address Council about website hosting and upgrade. Submitted bid on doing the work.

Mayor called for department reports, he asked if any department had any additional information for the Council other than what was presented in their reports at the work session. Chief Brown came forward to discuss the mandated GMA Firefighter Cancer insurance program. The Mayor asked if they had budgeted for this expense and Chief Brown responded no that he was advised before that the county would cover Lake Park volunteers because they were also volunteers for Lowndes County. However now they are stating that every city has to have their own policy. After discussing the information obtained by Chief Brown, Member Sauls made a motion to obtain the mandated cancer policy for the fire department in the amount of \$793 to be paid from fire budget line item Fire and Education, Member Carter second, all in favor motion passed.

*Police Chief Breletic stated he had money in his budget under uniforms that the Council could transfer over to Fire Department to cover insurance expense.

*Richard Sell, Valdosta Transmission and 1013 Egret Way, asked if he could donate the first year premium to prevent budgeting issues.

Police Chief Breletic came forward to remind Mayor and Council that April 10-11 will be the dates of the computer upgrade at city hall.

Maintenance Supervisor Jeff Patterson came forward to discuss the drainage issue at Historical Society.

Mayor stated that agenda item real estate – Keith Sandlin would have to be postponed until the next work session.

Mayor called for quote for Historical Society damages. Terry Dees and Mike Killeen were present during the work session of March 26 and were to get quotes on repairing damage caused from drainage. Killeen previously stated that he would do the corrective drainage work free for the city. Dees was not in attendance.

Mayor called for discussion of the city website, Council reviewed bids submitted for redesign and hosting. (see attached) Member Barr made a motion to accept bid submitted by Scott Lane at a redesign cost of \$600-\$700 and hosting fee of \$274.08 for 3 years, approximately \$7.00 per month, Member Taylor second, all in favor motion passed.

Citizens' Concerns

Richard Sell, 1013 Egret Way, introduced himself to Mayor and Council. Stated he was a new resident to the city and that he looks forward to being involved.

Mayor called for Admin/Executive Reports

Mayor stated he received an email from Mayor Gayle, City of Valdosta, regarding the service delivery agreement. He said that they have a meeting set for April 9, 2018 to discuss with other Mayors and elected officials.

Mayor said he was approached by Pat Brown regarding a summer outing to the Atlanta Aquarium for the underprivileged youth at the housing authority apartments in Lake Park. Mayor also advised that he and Chief Breletic had been discussing a similar activity for a day at Wild Adventures followed by a cook out.

Mayor stated that the next work session would be held on Monday April 23, 2018 at 6:30 PM.

Member Barr asked if we had heard from the accountant regarding when he would be coming to work on our books, Clerk stated she hadn't received a response since the last email request and would call first thing in the morning.

Mayor acknowledged and thanked the Woodmen Life for their donation of 6 American flags to the city.

Mayor thanked Lake Park Methodist Church for their kindness in bringing snacks to the Lake Park Police officers.

Member Barr asked if there was any news on the Welcome to City Hall signs. Clerk stated that they should be ready this week, and that she tried to call to verify but was unable to contact anyone. She stated she would call again the next day or have Jeff go by their office.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Read & approved Jatatha Facler Date 5-1-18