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

Agenda

Public Hearing –Ordinance 119 Tom’s Pond Boating-2nd reading

Minutes July 3 Regular Meeting, and July 30 Work session

Financial – July

Citizens’ Concerns

Ordinance 119 Tom’s Pond Boating - Vote

Department Reports

Board of Zoning Appeals – Suggested amendments to Zoning Ordinance

Bulk Water Rates

Lawrence Street – Tom’s Pond

Emergency Management Liaison Compensation

Increase PD vacation/sick/bereavement time

Citizens’ Concerns

Admin/Executive Reports –

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Mayor Schindler welcomed everyone and led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by an invocation at 7:39 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, Police Chief James Breletic, and citizens.

Mayor called the Public Hearing to order for the second reading of Ordinance 119, Tom's Pond Boating. He then opened the floor for anyone who would like to speak in opposition of the ordinance, there were none. He then opened the floor for anyone who would like to speak in favor of the ordinance, there were none.

Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 7:41 PM.

Mayor opened the Regular Meeting at 7:41 PM.

Mayor Schindler asked for Council to review the minutes from July 7 Regular Meeting, and July 30 Work Session. Member Carter made a motion to accept the minutes as presented, Member Barr second, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor asked for Council to review the financials of July 2018. Member Carter made a motion to accept the financials as presented, Member Barr second. Member Sauls asked if the revenue from the SLPOST VII was on track, Clerk replied yes that it had been a steady rate. When question called, all in favor, motion passed.

Citizens' Concerns

Wanda Myer, Hammock Drive, came forward to state she was concerned after hearing a morning radio program, where a caller called in to complain and call out the Lake Park Police Department. She stated she was in favor and very proud of the LPPD and the job that they do keeping our city and residents safe.

Richard Sell, 1013 Egret Way, came forward and stated that he was the caller to the radio station that was complaining about the Lake Park Police. He went on to say that he was only wanting to show his concern that he didn't want the city residents to feel harassed by the police. He explained that he had 5 neighbors come to him, because they knew he would speak out about this problem, about feeling harassed by city police. He said they did not want to come forward because they were worried about retribution or retaliation from the police. He referenced an experience with Remerton Municipal Court and stated that he didn't want to see Lake Park end up like that.

James Breletic, 120 N Essa St. came forward and spoke on behalf of the police department.

Mayor called for item Ordinance 119 Tom's Pond Boating. Member Taylor made a motion to adopt Ordinance 119, Member Barr second, all in favor, motion passed.

Department Reports

Mayor asked Council to review the bulk water rates gathered by clerk's office. After review, Member Taylor made a motion to establish a policy of stating bulk water billing should be a minimum of \$15.50 per day for the first 2,000 gallons and an additional \$2.00 for every thousand gallons over that, Member Sauls second, all in favor, motion passed.

Mayor called for discussion of Lawrence Street – Tom's Pond opening. Member Taylor made a motion to open the unopened portion of Lawrence Street near Tom's Pond for the future project of a parking area for the Tom's Pond Veteran's Memorial, Member Barr second, all in favor, motion passed.

Citizens' Concerns

David Brown, Wisenbaker Rd. came forward to give an update on radios and to show Council an example of the radios in question. He also spoke in favor of the police department and Chief Breletic and the great job that they do.

Tom Myer, Hammock Rd. came forward to reiterate what his wife had said earlier in favor of the police department and Chief Breletic. He explained how the chief and the department as a whole had always been fair to him and his family.

Julie Wilbers 360 Back Forty came forward to also show support for the LPPD. She recalled when they first moved here and the turmoil that the city was going through and how now the city has changed for the better. She went on to say that she could see how someone might be leery of coming forward with complaints or objections to how things are handled. She suggested that the city may want to establish some sort of way for citizens to be able to express their concerns without worry, perhaps posting something of website with contact information.

Tabatha Fowler, Clerk, thanked Mrs. Wilbers for her great suggestion and stated that she and Connie would get to work on getting something together and posting it on the website for future use. She also said that generally the clerk's office is the "sounding board" for many citizens. We take the information that is told to us and we find a solution, get them the information they need, or we make sure it gets to the department, and/or Mayor and Council to get it taken care of. Chief Breletic and Chief Brown, as well as Jeff Patterson are always willing to take the time to hear what our citizens have to say and they all do their best to help out in any way they can.

Mayor also added that another project he wanted for the city is an electronic message board for outside city hall. We currently have a phone tree service that we use but a message board would be a great way to get information out to the city.

Richard Sell, 1017 Egret Way, came forward again to say that he is a businessman and a citizen of Lake Park and he would be willing to offer \$1,000 toward the

purchase of an electronic sign. Mayor Schindler thanked him for his generous offer and told him that they are currently working on a grant to cover that cost and that all though the offer is appreciated the city doesn't want to accept the donation in fear of it hindering the grant process.

Jeff Patterson, 503 Ricks St. came forward to also praise the police department, officers and chief, for all their time and hard work that they put into taking care of the city and our citizens.

Andrew Patterson, 503 Ricks St. came forward to say that he thanks the police department as well as the fire department, and his dad for all the work and time that they spend with the citizens. Patterson said he had been thinking of going into law enforcement and thanks to Chief Breletic and Officer Langley, he recently went on a ride along. He thanked Officer Langley for that opportunity and said that he learned a lot. He said that there were many traffic stops made during his ride along, and that Officer Langley gave **out** more warnings and advice to those drivers than he did tickets. He said he believed that the officers just want to keep people safe and make our city safe, that's it.

Mayor stated that he didn't have much for Admin/Executive reports. Council reviewed bids submitted for Ocean Pond right of way. First bid from Killeen Construction was for \$ 3,116 and an additional bid from Dasher Service Company was for \$2,500. Member Barr made a motion to accept the bid from Dasher Service Company for \$2,500 to be paid from the SPLOST VII fund, Member Taylor second, all in favor, motion passed.

Being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:39 PM.

Read & approved Janatha Fowler Date 9-4-18