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City of Lake Park Work Session Minutes
April 26, 2021
6:00 PM

Mayor Pro Tem Ronald Carter called the work session to order. Those present were as follows; Council Members Tom Barr, Carl Taylor, and June Yeomans. Also present were Fire Chief David Brown, and Clerk Tabatha Fowler.

Mayor Pro Tem Carter called on Deb Cox, Lowndes County Supervisor of Elections, to come forward. Mrs. Cox provided updated qualifying and election calendars and answered questions from Council about polling places. No action taken.

Carter called for department reports;

Fire Chief David Brown came forward to give his monthly fire report, see report attached, no action taken.

Maintenance department report was reviewed by Council. Clerk Fowler stated that she had the number of additional benches and locations; one for the cemetery, four more at Tom's Pond, and two at the civic center. No action taken.

Police department report was reviewed by Council. Member Barr asked that the new police vehicle purchase be put on the agenda for May's Regular Meeting. No action taken.

Mayor Pro Tem Carter called for review of the business license requirements. Clerk Fowler started by explaining the correspondence from Attorney Plumb on how to handle those businesses that do not submit the required proof of gross receipts. A letter template was presented to Council and reviewed. Council agreed that letters should be sent certified mail and should go out as soon as possible. Member Yeomans stated that there should be an additional option of providing proof that a business applied for an extension on their taxes, and if that's the case then they would be allowed to use their previous year's gross receipts for the time being. Council also discussed food truck vendors and perhaps permitting them instead of requiring a business license, item to be put on next agenda to address. No action taken.

Carter called for review of the Grand Oak Village variance request. Clerk Fowler stated that the Board of Zoning Appeals would be meeting on Thursday April 29th at 6:00 to review the request for reduced front and rear yard setbacks. No action taken.

Mayor Pro Tem Carter called for review of the Cemetery survey update. No update to give at this time, no action taken.

Carter called for review of the July 4th Celebration. Member Taylor stated that he had been in contact with Clay Cothran regarding the purchase of fireworks and how much the city had allocated for the expense. No action taken.

Mayor Pro Tem Carter called for review of approved check signers. Member Taylor stated that he would like to establish some sort of schedule for expense checks to be issued and signed. He requested it to be added to the next agenda. No action taken at this time.

Executive/Admin Reports

Clerk Fowler asked Council if they had received any positive or negative feedback on the mosquito spraying. None was reported.

Clerk Fowler reported a situation regarding a water bill and the process that is taking place. The billing was explained and Fowler stated that there was no error found.

Read & approved Tabatha Fowler Date 5-4-21

Lake Park City Council Monthly Fire Report for May

Fire calls -6 so far

1 odor in apartment @ Lake Park apartments Lane Drive

4 county calls for mutual aid, rubbish fire, woods fire, structure fire and EMS call

1 Vehicle fire on Marion Ave.

Station needs – Bay doors have been installed they look great and during Saturdays storm they didn't move at all

Vehicle needs – We would like to discuss replacing Tanker 2 due to age with a newer truck please see attachments, this truck is 33 years old

Grants – We will receive 2500.00 from the Georgia Power Foundation Grant

Fixed slab for generator

Took water test to lab

Moved furniture for floor people & put it back
same with police station & Mayor office

Picked up refrigerator & stove for Civic Center

Picked up mowing deck

Had issue with the ~~chlorine~~ ^{chlorine} system

Cleaned intersection @ Lakes & Mariow

Met with Larry Sanders & Rob Plumb about
ESSA Water project.

Cut grass & maintained all ~~right~~ ride aways

Talked to installers about the doors @
fire station

Had 2 work orders from Tom Barr -
clean drains @ Broadway St & Eagles Crest.

Eagles Way drains been covered up by
property owner

Installed 2 water meter on Sandy Bottoms

Tom Barr got in touch with me about wanting to talk to DOT about the sidewalks - handicapped accessibility - meeting @ 3:00 ~~week~~ Wednesday

Installed 1 pole & stop sign @ ESSA & Collins St.

Fixed Third St Sign & pole @ Cemetery the next week someone ran over it will have to be fixed again

Shot timber rattler @ Cemetery was called by Tabitha

Had 1 community service worker on April 24th who worked from 8-2 then stayed out through storm - had 2 big limbs across roads - had to assist Sheriff's department with moving a tree out of the road with backhoe.

ESSA St water project has been completed flushed out lines Saturday with Mike need to take water sample to lab

Lake Park Police
Report for April 1-26

Calls for Service: 187

Alarms: 9 Accidents: 5 Escorts: 7

Domestic: 5 Thefts: 2

The Chevrolet Tahoe PPV is scheduled to arrive this week.

FYI: With our reorganized City Court system, it is working more effectively and holding people to a fairer and more equal level of accountability.

The court has collected over \$150,000.00 (\$75,000.00 after court/state fees) in fines and forfeitures this year to date. (This does not include any community service hours)

Some of the equipment for the new patrol car has been backordered, hopefully it will come in soon.