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City of Lake Park
City Council CALLED Meeting Minutes
November 28, 2023
6:30 pm

Members present were Mayor Jena Sandlin, Council Member Michelle Lane, Council Member Busby Courson, Council Member Oscar Griffith.

Staff Present: City Clerk Lisa Johnson, Chief of Police Matt Bannister, Officer Ed Yarbrough, and Deputy Clerk Belinda Stone.

Mayor Jena Sandlin called the meeting to order.

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- City Clerk Lisa Johnson started by giving a summary of the budget discussion agenda.
 - Reviewed Revenue and Expense through November 2023, noting that the last payroll and AP run would happen later in the week.
 - o FY23 will meet Revenues budget
 - o Decrease FY24 Ins Premium taxes.
- FY24 Budget starts with Personnel Expenses; changes include:
 - o Police department changing from part-time Chief to full time Chief.
 - o Jeff Patterson position is now open.
 - Hiring of a Maintenance Supervisor
 - o Deputy Clerk salaries now paid 75% General Fund and 25% Water
 - o Deputy Court Clerk salaries 25% Court and 75% General Fund.

Discussion

- o Group Ins Ms. Lane will check on setting up a video call to explain coverages in quotes.
- o Tom's Pond maintenance costs included; aerator can be allocated to SPLOST
- Beautification Palm Trees that were lost in Idalia can be reimbursed by FEMA. Lights are not currently in the budget
- Maintenance Department Supervisor position and/or part time employees were discussed; also the possibility of contracting temporary help as needed rather than carrying three fulltime employees on the payroll.
- o FEMA debris cleanup needs to be put out for bid.
- o Chief Bannister request full time Chief and 3 full time officers
- O Discussed purchasing new Utility, Finance, and Court software; possibly would be cheaper than Tyler.

- o Backhoe Payment to be paid in December 2023.
- Veterans Memorial plaque needs to be put up.

CAPITAL ITEMS

- Maintenance trash truck with knuckle boom, 10x12 building for maintenance office, Fuel tank for maintenance yard
- o Police: New Patrol Car, Computer equipment for all cars.
- Managed IT need cyber security.
- o Building/ adding on to City Hall

All business completed; Council member Michelle Lane made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Mayor Pro-Tem Oscar Griffith seconded the motion to adjourn.

Jena Sandlin, Mayo

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Lisa Johnson City Clerk

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