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City of Lake Park  
Called Council Meeting Minutes  
August 27, 2025  
9:00 am

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

**Staff Present:** City Clerk Lisa Johnson

Mayor Jena Sandlin called the meeting to order.

Mayor Jena Sandlin led the invocation.

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Mayor Jena Sandlin stated that the purpose of the meeting was to vote on the Millage Rate for 2025 and to enter Executive Session to discuss compensation for staff. City Clerk Lisa Johnson explained that the proposed millage rate is to accept the recommended rollback from 6.219 to 6.123. While the Council could hold the current millage rate of 6.219, the net difference would be about \$5,500, and Council would need to hold three public hearings, which could potentially cost more than would be realized by the City. Council Member Michelle Lane made a motion to adopt the rollback millage rate of 6.123. Council Member Busby Courson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 3-0.

Council Member Michelle Lane made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss compensation for staff. Council Member Busby Courson seconded the motion. Council entered Executive Session at 9:04 am. Council Member Busby Courson made a motion to reenter Regular Session. Council Member Michelle Lane seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 3-0. Council reentered Open Session at 9:11 am. Council Member Busby Courson made a motion to set bonuses for staff for the demolition of the Blue Building as follows: Billy Jones and Simon Davis at \$2,500 each, Eli Johnson at \$400, Vicki Jack and Christian Colson at \$300 each. Council Member Michelle Lane seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 3-0

Council Member Lane asked for clarification on Court Clerk Melissa Morey's resignation; City Clerk Lisa Johnson explained that Mrs. Morey has agreed to work part-time hours to give the City time to hire her replacement.

Council Member Michelle Lane made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Busby Courson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 3-0.

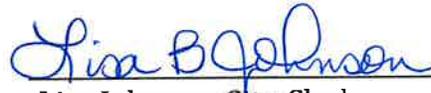
The next regular meeting will be on September 2, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

  
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Jena Sandlin, Mayor

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Lisa Johnson, City Clerk

September 2, 2025

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Date