# City of Lumpkin 532 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Lumpkin, GA 31815 Workshop February 25, 2019 6:00P.M.

The City Council and Mayor of Lumpkin met for a workshop on Monday, February 25, 2019 at the above address with the following members present: Mayor Jimmy Babb, Mayor Pro-tem Barbara Cullefer, Billie Ann Mallory, Darryl Wilson and Nikita Seay. Council members absent were Mitzi House, and Flossie Brown. The City Manager, David Davis, was present also. City Clerk Anne Holloway was present to take minutes.

Mayor Jimmy Babb called the workshop to order & led the Pledge of Allegiance, which was followed by the roll call.

Mayor Babb asked for review of the minutes to be approved at our next regular meeting.

### Public Appearances -

Right Spot – Will be on the March 25th agenda.

City Service – Bobby Dean spoke on providing service to the City in the past for around 15 to 20 years. They would be able to provide gas compliance and maintenance of the gas service. They handed out a comparison sheet with their prices and the two companies that we are currently using. City Service will provide the same service but even better – we will be working on your system on your site. At this time opened up for the Council to ask any questions. Mayor – Is it time to renew the contracts? Bobby stated that there was a 30 day notice that had to be given to them before could cancel the contract. City Service will come to the City to complete the job. City Service is very valuable to the City – In tune with a small town but provide a big service with small town touch. We don't just mail updates for you to put in the manual. City Service comes and updates the manual. We also do onsite training that will be included in the contract with the exception that fall outside of the parameters set forth in the contract.

<u>Reports from Department Heads</u> — The City Clerk Anne Holloway— the Council folders are in line with the agenda. I have also been working on FEMA. We have completed Category B. Now working on getting information for Category A, F and Z. I have also been working on the tax digest to give to Government Solutions.

Mr. Davis- There is a copy of the updated Building Permit application with new adjustments in your folder. Everyone should have their application from the last meeting.

6:10 p.m. - There was a gross interruption by Chattahoochee County Sheriff Deputies in reference to Councilman Wilson. Councilman Wilson was handcuffed and removed from his seat, and from the building

# The meeting continued:

Mr. Davis – The Council will be able to see the figures and the adjustments that have been made for the building permits. On Oak Street Park, the building has been torn down. We are currently working on both parks. The parks will have the same rides on both of them. The Park on Highway 27 will have; tennis court and the Park on Oak Street will have a basketball court. The survey stated that the community wanted a walking path & basketball court. Signs have been ordered for the City. B. Mallory – will the notice that was about the water be discussed? The water will be off? Mr. Davis –

stated that the Public Service Department passed out notices today that the water would be off tomorrow. It is something that we have to up with because it is something that has to be done. A. Holloway - stated that we might just have low water pressure instead of it being off. B. Mallory – appreciated the notification because before we didn't have any notification. Mayor Babb – What time will the water be off? Mr. Davis – stated that the contractors will be here at 8 a.m. in the morning. They instructed us to go ahead and start draining the tank today so that the water will be out of the way so they can do an adequate job. If the tank on Florence Street kicks in we won't be without water. If that tank kicks in to take up the slack for the tank on Cotton Street, the City will be fine. B. Mallory – stated someone maintain keeping up to prior because before we were out of water and the other one didn't kick in due to negligence. Mr. Davis – We have had the people come in to check and they know we are planning on having to depend on that tank. We fixed it to run and that is what we are expecting of it.

Chief Tyler – Absent but would have a report next Monday.

Chief Stewart - Absent

## New Business -

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Building Permits – Mr. Davis spoke on the new application that was put in each Council Member's folder. He asked the Council to review both applications to see the adjustments made to the fees.

CDBG – Interest in Conflict - will be here Monday night to speak to the Council about the preparation for the upcoming grant application.

### Council Input -

- B. Mallory Mr. Davis can we do a little more about the Police Report & Fire Chief report? Mayor Babb stated they weren't supposed to be here until the regular meeting. B. Mallory Mr. Davis asked for the Chiefs to attend the Councils meetings? B. Mallory If we aren't to have one at the work session then we don't need to put them on the agenda. If part of the agenda make it work. Asked Mr. Davis can you tell me about the business license for 2019? Last meeting we had 9 that hadn't paid. Since it is March now can we get a past due list? Mr. Davis stated that there had been some business that had paid since last meeting.
- B. Cullefer stated that A. Holloway ran all of us a pamphlet for our courses for this year training. The Convention will be in Savannah June 21<sup>st</sup> 25<sup>th</sup>. The Council needs to register by March 12<sup>th</sup>. Should be able to get the registration form by March 6, 2019. So the Council members need to look at the courses and decide what they want to take by the next meeting. There are classes on Friday & Saturday then there are no classes on Sunday and Monday. Then there is a three hour class on Tuesday. Mayor Babb There needs to be no one taking classes on Tuesday. B. Mallory The registration starts on March 12<sup>th</sup> at 12 a.m. by 9 a.m. it might be filled. A. Holloway can you get forms to register what classes we want to take. Will A. Holloway do the registering for the hotel rooms that we prefer?
- N. Seay Nothing. But we have a group of Citizens that are here this afternoon that have a problem out of the Police Department. I asked them to come up here and explain what the problem was and for the Mayor and Council to hear it and we will go from there. B. Mallory stated Thank You. Mayor Babb stated that none of you are on the agenda and we're going to start going on 20 minutes speeches. It must be brief.
- C. Green stated I have all my paper work. They came in the front of my house and I went outside to see what was going on. They becked for me to come out there and when I stepped out of the yard they put handcuffs on me out of my own yard. B. Cullefer Had you been drinking beforehand. No, walked out the door to see what was going on because they

were in front of my house. That's the bottom line. Mayor Babb – What did they charge you with? Intoxication? B. Mallory – Can I see the paperwork? Mayor Babb –So did they give you a citation? N. Seay – So they didn't write you a citation? C. Green – They told me to come up here on Valentine Day February 14th – I was up here and wasn't nobody else up here. N. Seay – They didn't write you a citation? C. Green – Yes, I throw it away after that. B. Cullefer – You throw the citation away? C. Green – She said no one was up here so she throws it away. B. Cullefer – Who did? C. Green – Yes, Ms. Teresa. B. Mallory – So do you know who the officer was that handcuffed you? C. Green – Yes, he had glasses on I don't know his name but they call him slim. D. Simmons – When is your court date? C. Green – Yes, February 14th. I think it has been moved over to March 13th. B. Mallory – Charged with DUI? C. Green – No. D. Simmons – Where is your home? The Court will decide. B. Mallory = Handcuffed you in your yard? C. Green – No he didn't cuff me in my yard he called me outside in the road. B. Mallory – Was unjust the way they were treating you?

- D. Simmons stated that the City or City Police does not make laws and does not prosecute. That was up to the Courts and the Judge.
- M. Cannon stated trying to purchase some land on 101 Old Chestnut Street but it's not zoned for a mobile home. Can you vote on it? B. Cullefer You have to set up a hearing with the Zoning Committee. You will have to bring information about the mobile home. I don't think it can be rezoned. Mayor Babb told him to go see Mr. Davis & Mrs. Holloway. A. Holloway stated that it is currently R1 zoned. In R1 zoning mobile homes are not allowed. He would need to go before zoning committee. If they change the zoning it has to be advertised and sign posted for 30 days before it would be approved. Plus would need a petition of the residents stating they approve. B Cullefer It is a long procedure that you have to go through.
- R. Cradic To get back on the subject. It's up to court date. I go to court and Tyler not to be found. He got a vehicle surrounded. I lock the door and told everyone to go on. How was I charged with disorderly conduct? I told Chris don't open your club. They aren't messing with your club. They don't have any business messing with your club. They told me they were going to take my kids away from me. Whatever they find I was going to be charged with it. His wife was cussing me out. The little boy was skiing through there with little fake pistol on his side and police badge on his side saying all types of harassment stuff to us. Mayor Babb Where was that? R. Cradic When they locked us up.

Gentleman – stated Mayor my cousin stay in Cuthbert, Jesse Walton. I talked to him for fifteen minutes and got out of the truck. I had a beer in my back pocket The Police came up on me. Look at all these tickets. His little boy running around and shut the door on me. You suppose to protect & serve. I hadn't even drunk it I just had an opened container and I never been in any trouble. B. Mallory – Let's get through one speaker at a time. D. Simmons – Hold it down – or you will get charged with disorderly conduct – because that what you are doing right now. When I write a ticket then have to come to court.

R. Cradic - If arrested tonight I have to go before a judge to have a fine, right? I haven't got business paying Tyler \$100.00 a week. B. Cullefer – Who? Kendarius Bell. They had his wife and that boy that worked at Dollar General Justin with them. Tyler said that they were going to pay for them new uniforms and boots. John Tyler was asking me about who was shooting the cameras out and whose selling drugs. That's not my job that his – if I knew I wouldn't tell him anyway.

Mayor Babb – Appreciate you all coming. When do you go to Court? Gentleman – stated that on January 18<sup>th</sup> on private property – step off the steps and stepped around the corner. They handcuff me and take me to Police Department. Haven't read me my rights. The first black person you see you jump on. Mayor Babb – How many tickets did you get?

B. Simmons - I am D. Simmons' wife. You said not on the agenda so it not going to last more than 20 minutes. They have cameras in their cars – my suggestion – have you thought about investing in body cams? That would tell the truth.

Nothing's going to get solved tonight – besides arguing back and forth. Mayor Babb – You want me to give you my honest

opinion on that? Our Police Department doesn't bring in enough money to pay their own salary much less buy body cameras. B. Mallory - But they are spending, a lot of money. B. Simmons - That tells you something right there they aren't in it for the money. They protect and serve. Mayor Babb – We will be looking into that.

Mayor Babb - Dismissed

Adjourn -

Mayor Jimmy Babb

March 4, 2019

\_ City Clerk, Anne Holloway