

City Council Workshop

1736 Broad St. Lumpkin, GA 31815

Tuesday, July 28, 2020

6:00 p.m.

Call to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pledge to flag

Roll Call – Everyone was present except Councilmen N. Seay and Councilwoman M. House.

Approval of Agenda

Minutes for review (June 30 & July 6) July 28 will be emailed – Mayor asked for Council to review the minutes for the upcoming meeting.

Public Appearances: None

Reports from Dept. Heads

1. Clerk – A. Holloway – We have been working on the budget. A break down of the department has been emailed to each of you and put in your folder. Paying monthly bills and working on the Agreement for the Waste Water. The agreement states that \$1000.00 added to their utility bill monthly. Just for the record, I would like to address – FYI -We are going on six months in this year. Out of the six months, I have been doing both jobs for almost three months. The coworkers worked part-time – I worked full time. They were able to draw unemployment received an extra \$600.00. I was not able to obtain it because I worked to get payments posted and bills out. The other worker worked only part time and received a bonus. I glad that he received the bonus, but I didn't receive anything. The next time the workers didn't have to work and received their full weekly checks, then there was M. Robinson that worked and me. M. Robinson worked part-time, and I worked full time, yet we got paid the same amount. I did appreciate the bonus. I wanted to let you know that the upcoming audit information is being requested by September.
2. City Manager – David Davis – Have been taking temperature daily of workers and any vendors coming into the office. He has been working on the past due utility bills. Inactive accounts, there are a lot of deceased customers. We have had some customers that have cut the locks off the meters. Mayor – since we are talking about the grown-up area in the City limits, have we heard anything from old gas stations. I have not had a response from the old gas station. Olan Flowers has complained about a property. I don't know how we can clean up when we haven't cleaned up the lot next to Marilyn McKenzie. B. Cullefer – What about that lot that Sam Singer gave the City – it is awful. B. Mallory – We need to send out to everyone. F. Brown – We need to send out to everyone. Mayor – I am talking about City-owned property. B. Mallory – We have some property across from C. Dukes and M. McKenzie that we need to clean up. Main

Street. F. Brown – Main Street – Citizen was talking about the grass in the City that needs cutting, edging, and trimming. I asked her to get on the agenda. Look at Ms. Mallory grass; that is the way the City use to look like but not now. B. Cullefer – The workers need to edge and cut from the sidewalk to the street. They are not edging or coming behind and getting it out of the street. B. Mallory – The Crepe Myrtles on Main and Broad street. It is a disgrace. C. Matthews – Two questions – The water deal what is the next step. They will put a new meter in or put a new lock on it. Mayor – The person who lives in the house or the name on the bill that is the person that should be charged. Holloway – Yes, Sir. One of the residents received a citation for cutting the lock. The other meter no one lived in the house. The name on that was on the bill is deceased. C. Matthews -Second question – These problems with the presentation of the City. We did have a meeting with the workers and drew up a plan? B. Mallory – I have been talking about beautification for years. Mayor – How many workers to we have. Holloway – We have five workers. F. Brown – Do we have anyone that knows how to edge and trim? Nikita took the workers out and showed them how to edge and trim. Mayor – I will speak with Mr. Davis on this matter tomorrow.

3. Chief of Police – Ron Jackson - Absent
4. Fire Chief – Greg Stewart - Absent

New Business:

Wastewater lift station maintenance fee agreement – Councilwoman Cullefer asked Chris Jones Wastewater management if he has reviewed the contract. Chris Jones stated that he has not reviewed the contract but would review it. Mayor – have we heard back from CoreCivic. Holloway – Yes, these are the original. C. Jones – Just a couple of things. There is a stipulation on how the money can be spent. If misspent can have a fee of 120%. Every four to five years there is a major repair needed. Holloway – We want to put this money in an escrow account. We will be able to show all the bills and transactions that come from this account.

Quotes

Old Business -
2020-21 City Budget

Council Input:

F. Brown –

N. Seay –

B. Cullefer- We are a public building, and we have had the doors locked to City Hall. We can not keep them out of the public building. We can't do anything to anyone that doesn't want to wear a mask. You can't make them wear a mask. B. Mallory – I agree with this. Mayor – Is the door still locked? Holloway – Yes, Sir. But we are conducting business through the slot. Does the sign state that you must? Does that need to be changed? B. Mallory – Yes. That's another thing the sign was put out and then sent to Council. It needs to be sent to the Council members before it is done - not after. You can't say you must say we are encouraging everyone to wear a mask. Since Ms. Holloway giving Mr. Davis report – I think we need a weekly update. We have a new business coming in, and we don't know anything about it. That doesn't look good. An update can be a weekly email.

C. Matthews -

B. Mallory -

Executive Session (if needed)

Adjourn

Motion by B. Cullefer
Second by C. Matthews

To go out of workshop into reg. meeting
(4-0)

Jimmy Babb Mayor Jimmy Babb Date: 8-25-20

Bobby Cullefer Bobbie Mallory 9/29/20

Craig A. Matthews

Fleecie Brown

Anne Holloway City Clerk, Anne Holloway