

City Council Meeting
554 MLK Jr. Drive Lumpkin, GA 31815
Tuesday, October 5, 2021
6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m.

Pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call- All were present.

Approval of agenda.

Motion by B. Cullefer

To approve the agenda.

Second by C. Matthews

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Approval of the September 7th minutes.

Motion by B. Cullefer

To approve the minutes for September 7.

Second by C. Matthews

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There were no public appearances.

Reports from Dept. Heads:

1. Clerk – A. Holloway informed the Council that the September bank reconciliation report was in their folders. The financial report for September was also in their folder. I want to inform the Council that she will be having surgery on October 21, 2021. Hopefully I will only be out a couple of days. B. Cullefer asked if we have a signed contract from AIMS. The clerk informed Council that it was an emergency, and Dave Alexander came and spoke with the Council. The Council approved the repairs totaling around \$364,000.00.

2. City Manager – David Davis stated that he had sent all council members an update for September. B. Cullefer – asked if the city keep a stock of extra pipes for repairs. D. Davis stated that the city does have a supply but was out of the large pipes at the time. The city now has the pipes in stock. F. Brown – a citizen, called to ask if can stop boiling water. The city needs to have a way to inform all the citizens when they have an emergency and when it's cleared up. The city needs to look into contacting the local television station to help inform the citizens. C. Matthews – Do we have the lights for workers and the vehicles? D. Davis – I am still working on purchasing them. Mayor – Get a price on them. B. Cullefer – What about the basketball court? D. Davis – I have dressed him three times, but I haven't gotten any response from him. I will need to contact the city attorney. Councilman Seay – Can you look into getting a pole saw for the city? Councilman Seay – Yes, he would look into purchasing a pole saw. D. Davis - I have received a signed letter stating that the city can use the county boat at the sewage pond. We are required to be able to have access to remove the duckweed. I have a little trolling motor that I can sell to the city.

Motion by B. Cullefer
Second by F. Brown

To purchase the trolling motor from Mr. Davis
for a \$100.00.

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I have some information in your folder about the playground equipment. The Council has requested that the spring rides be taken up and removed from the playground, but they are working. The chains on the swings are fine as long as the s-clamp is completely closed. B. Mallory – requested to put the fence around the back of Oak Street Park. D. Davis – stated that they are waiting on the dirt will put up the fence.

3. Chief of Police – Ron Jackson- Absent -Handout in Council's folders.

4. Fire Chief – In folder Mayor – stated that the county had updated the Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan. This plan identifies potential risks and projects that will minimize risk or lessen the overall impact on citizens should a disaster occur.

Motion by M. House
Second by B. Cullefer

To adopt the Pre-Disaster Hazard Mitigation Plan.

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New Business:

Friend of Providence Canyon – Close Street from the corner of Cotton & Broad.

Motion by M. House
Second by F. Brown

To block the street for 24 hours on Cotton Street
between Broad St and alleyway.

Ordinance 21-5 – license fee on insurers. Mayor read the first reading aloud of the Ordinance 21-2. Due to the decrease in population, the Insurance license fee will go from \$25.00 to \$15.00

Trunk a Treat – The Council would like to have the trunk a treat on Saturday, October 30, 2021, between 5:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Water Authority – The Mayor will no longer serve on the Water Authority committee. The Charter states that it has to be someone living in the city limits.

Motion by B. Cullefer
Second by M. House

To adopt Matt Holloway to represent the city.

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Old Business:

Council Input:

F. Brown – I would like to say thank you to everyone for getting the water back on.

B. Mallory – I would like to thank you for all the people who worked to get the water back on in the city.

B. Cullefer – None

N. Seay – None

C. Matthews – None

M. House – I would also like to thank Willie George and the crew for getting the water back on in the city.

Executive Session (If needed):

Adjourn

Motion by M. House
Second by C. Matthews

To adjourn
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Jimmy Babb Mayor Jimmy Babb Date: 11/2/21

Candice A. Matthews
VQ SM
Barbara C. Cooper

Billie Maxwell
Hosie Brown
Marty Howard

Anne Holloway Anne Holloway, City Clerk

ORDINANCE 21-5

To impose license fees on insurers conducting business within the City of Lumpkin, Georgia; to impose a gross premiums tax on insurers operating within the State of Georgia; to provide an effective date; to repeal conflicting ordinances; and other purposes.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lumpkin, Georgia; and it is hereby ordained by authority thereof:

Section 1. Insurers License Fees

There is hereby levied for the year 2022 and for each year thereafter an annual license fee upon each insurer doing business within the City of Lumpkin, Georgia in the amount of fifteen dollars (\$15). For each separate business location in excess of one not covered by Section 2, which is operating on behalf of such insurers within the City of Lumpkin, Georgia, there is hereby levied a license fee in the amount of fifteen dollars (\$15). For the purposes of this ordinance, the term "insurer" means a company which is authorized to transact business in any of the classes of insurance designated in O.C.G.A. Sec. 33-3-5.

Section 2. License Fees for Insurers Insuring Certain Risks at Additional Business Locations

For each separate business location, not otherwise subject to a license fee hereunder, operated and maintained by a business organization which is engaged in the business of lending money or transacting sales involving term financing and in connection with such loans or sales offers, solicits or takes application for insurance through a licensed agent of an insurer for insurance said insurer shall pay an additional license fee of ten dollars (\$10) per location for the year 2022 and for each year thereafter.

Section 3. Gross Premiums Tax Imposed on Life Insurers

There is hereby levied for the year 2022 and for each year thereafter an annual tax based solely upon gross direct premiums upon each insurer writing life, accident and sickness insurance within the State of Georgia in an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the gross direct premiums received during the preceding calendar year in accordance with O.C.G.A. Sec.33-8-8.1. Gross direct premiums as used in this section shall mean gross direct premiums as used in O.C.G.A. Sec.33-8-4. The premium tax levied by this section is in addition to the license fees imposed by Section 1 of this ordinance.

Section 4. Gross Premiums Tax, All Other Insurers

There is hereby levied for the year 2022 and for each year thereafter an annual tax based solely upon gross direct premiums upon each insurer, other than an insurer transacting business in the class of insurance designated in subsection 1 of O.C.G.A. Sec.33-3-5, doing business within the State of Georgia in an amount equal to two and one-half percent (2.5%) of the gross direct premiums received during the preceding calendar year in accordance with O.C.G.A. Sec.33-8-8.2. Gross direct premiums as used in this section shall mean gross direct premiums as used in O.C.G.A. Sec.33-8-4. The premium tax levied by this section is in addition to the license fees imposed by Section 1 of this ordinance.

Section 5. Due Date for License Fees

License fees imposed in Sections 1 and 2 of this ordinance shall be due and payable on the first day of 2022 and on the first date of each subsequent year.

Section 6. Administrative Provisions

The City Clerk is hereby directed to forward a duly certified copy of this ordinance to the Insurance Commissioner of the State of Georgia within 45 days of its enactment.

Section 7. Effective Date

This ordinance shall become effective January 1, 2022.

Section 8. Severability

In the event any portion of this ordinance shall be declared or adjudged invalid or unconstitutional, it is the intention of the City Council of the City of Lumpkin, Georgia, that such adjudication shall in no manner affect the other sections, sentences, clauses or phrases of this ordinance which shall remain in full force and effect, as if the invalid or unconstitutional section, sentence, clause or phrase were not originally a part of the ordinance.

Section 9. Repealer

All ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed.

Ordained this 5th day of October, 2021 by the Mayor and Council of the City of Lumpkin, Georgia.

James Babb
Mayor

Attest: [Signature]
Anne Holloway
City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of an ordinance of the City of Lumpkin, Georgia adopted on the 5th day of October, 2021.

Anne Holloway
City Clerk

