

City Council Meeting
552 MLK Jr. Dr. Lumpkin, GA 31815
Tuesday, April 5, 2022
6:00 p.m.

The mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

All said the Pledge to flag.

The clerk did roll call. All were present except Councilman Seay.

The mayor asked for approval of the agenda.

Motion by M. House	To approve the agenda.
Second by F. Brown	5/0

The mayor asked for approval of the minutes for March 1st & 14th.

Motion by F. Brown	To approve the minutes for March 1 st & 14 th .
Second by M. House	5/0

There was no public appearance at the meeting.

The mayor informed the council about the inspection of the city parks and that everything was in good standing except the tennis courts do need some work, but everything else looks good.

We need to thank Mr. Davis for heading up this project.

The clerk stated that the February financial report and all bank account reconciliation on QuickBooks are in your folders.

The mayor asked for the reports from the Department Heads:

1. Clerk – A. Holloway's update is attached. The CBDG grant application shows us how to get community participation in your folder. The city getting the community involved will get extra points. We will have a public hearing on Thursday, April 7, 2022, at City Hall.

Councilman N. Seay arrived at 6:25 p.m.

J.K. Durham has changed the wells computer system, so the guys don't have to switch it on/off manually, but we need to purchase two more pieces of equipment that cost \$100.00 to put on the wells. Then get Russell French to wire them up because it will be cheaper. Mrs. Jones would like to do virtual training in May to finish her clerks' training. Would the city be interested in checking on the price of getting the gas substation on the computer system? Councilwoman House said it would be a good thing to check into and bring back to the council. Councilwoman Brown asked about the district 8 Spring Listening Session on April 11.

Motion by B. Mallory	To allow Mrs. Holloway to attend District 8
Second by F. Brown	Listening Session in Waverly Hall.
	6/0

2. Public Supervisor – Willie G Clark's update is attached.

3. Interim Chief of Police – Matt Holloway's update is attached. The box truck at this time is at \$626.00, and we are going to put 32 pairs of Jordan Air Shoes on Gov.deals. We will be taking sealed bids on the hummer, and they will be opening at the council meeting on May 3. Councilwoman Mallory would like to meet the police officers. Was there an inventory on hand when you came on board? Chief Holloway, there was one, but a lot of the stuff was not there. We are updating and keeping it current. I ordered flashlights and paid through a seizure account. When meeting with GBI, several accounts need to be closed, and others must be renamed.

4. Fire Chief - Greg Stewart stated that the truck is up and running. The foresting dept. had a forest fire that got out, so we had to assist.

New Business:

2022 Municipal Gas Authority delegate/alternate- Mr. Davis is currently the authority delegate that needs to be removed, and someone else needs to be renamed. Willie G. can stay alternate.

Motion by M. House	To name Anne Holloway and Willie G. Clark
Second by F. Brown	delegate/alternate for Municipal Gas.
	6/0

Resolution for Entrance – The resolution for two entrances on Broad Street was read aloud by the mayor.

Motion by B. Mallory	To approve the Resolution for Entrance
Second by F. Brown	6/0

Resolution for Surplus Property- The mayor read the resolution for city surplus property on Broad St.

Motion by M. House	To approve the Surplus Property Sale
Second by F. Brown	6/0

There was no old business to discuss.

Council Input:

F. Brown – I got a phone call from Cordele in reference to Jackson. Also, James Bufford needs a letter to send out reference to overgrowth.

B. Mallory – I received a phone call from the former chief of police lawyer. There was nothing discussed.

B. Cullefer – I also got a phone if he was still an employee from an attorney from a 706 number. I want a letter send out to the Patterson to remove the dumpsters from their front yard.

N. Seay – Nothing

C. Matthews – I received a phone call also. I missed the called meeting, so I am in the dark. Did we separate him? Mayor – he quit. Matthews – Then it is just hearsay. Mayor – He called me, then he called Mrs. Holloway, and then he called Mr. Holloway that night. Clerk – We have him on tape where he stated that he would be out from February to March 8 due to an injury, and he is taking physical therapy, but he would be back. He did not return on March 8. He called me on March 10, stating that he was giving his two weeks' notice. C. Matthews – Did we provide a

separate notice to him? Mayor – Georgia is an at-will state, so separation notice doesn't have to be given out. But he wasn't not fired. F. Brown – You cannot hold two different Chief jobs. B. Mallory – Our Charter states that you can't have two jobs. M. House – So he was not fired. Mayor – No, he was not fired. C. Matthews – I understand what you all are saying. I want to ask this question real clear – Does anyone anywhere have any statements that say he resigns? M. House – just that he told him on the phone. He would let Jimmy know and tell him that he was going there. C. Matthew – You did not answer my questions? Do you have anything in writing? Mayor – No, he called, but I will be glad to write it down, and I am sure they will also be glad to write it down. I am sure they will be glad to write a statement. N. Seay – Georgia is an at-will state anyway. M. House – It doesn't not matter about the letter because he was not fired; he resigned. C. Matthews - He had a great time in Tifton and the training. Besides sitting up here, so much goes into being a city council member. M. House – We need to compensate those who have been doing the extra duties since January. I don't believe in retroactivity, but we need to do something. We will give Kim - \$100.00, Anne and Willie G. -\$150.00

Motion by M. House
Second by B. Mallory

To give K. Jones \$100, A. Holloway & W. Clark,
\$150.00 per week.

6/0

Executive Session (If needed)

Adjourn

Motion by M. House
Second by F. Brown

To adjourn

6/0

Jimmy Babb

Mayor Jimmy Babb

Date: 5-3-22

Barbara Cooper

Carla A. Matthews

Flore Brown

Mitz House

[Signature]

Anne Holloway

Anne Holloway, City Clerk