

City of Lumpkin
552 MLK Jr. Dr. Lumpkin, GA 31815
Tuesday, February 14, 2023
6:00 p.m.

The mayor called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
All said the pledge to the flag.
The Clerk called the roll call. All were present.

The mayor asked for approval of the agenda.

Motion by B. Cullefer	To approve the agenda.
Second by C. Matthews	6-0

The mayor asked for approval of the January 3, 2023, minutes.

Motion by B. Mallory	To approve the minutes for January 3.
Second by C. Matthews	6-0

Public Appearances:

Gloria Bost – spoke to the council to appeal her case reference to city tax fees. The FIFA fee was put on her property taxes without her being notified. She was late paying her property taxes for three parcels which incurred extra costs. She asked the council to return her \$200.00 FIFA fee that was added to her bill. She felt that she was not told the correct information. The County Commissioners gave her money back to her. The mayor informed Ms. Bost that they would discuss the matter and get back to her later.

Carlos Tejeda – Yard upkeep. Mr. Tejeda was not present but wanted the council to be aware of the unkept yards in the city and that the residents should be held responsible for keeping the yards groomed or issued a fine.

Reports from Dept. Heads:

Clerk – A. Holloway provided the council with an attached update sheet. She asked the council how long she wanted to have qualified. The council stated that it would only take three days to qualify. The clerk informed the council that there was a memo about House Bill 189, Stewart Co Elementary Charter Program, and Financial Management programs she would like to attend. She also informed the council that the city has been losing money on providing gas for the CCA. The mayor stated that they should be paying more than residential. The council asked that I look into the prices and contact the city attorney. The clerk informed the council all the January reconciliations for all the bank accounts were in their folder. They had also been emailed to them.

Motion by B. Cullefer	To approve the January reconciliations and financial statements.
Second, by M. House	

6-0

Informed the council of our problems at the sewage pond and on Surles Street. You have the outstanding 2022 taxes, utilities, and business license report.

Public Supervisor – W. Clark update is in the council folders. Councilman Seay asked about servicing the mowers at home. Just take the ones that are messed up to the shop. Ms. E. Gilbert inquired about running gas into Holiday Heights. W. Clark stated that it would be hard for only one person. The resident will have to pay for installing it. It would have to be more than one person to request it.

Chief of Police – M. Holloway asked the council about putting traffic stations at the intersection of GA 1 and GA 27. The device would catch expired tags, registration, and insurance. It would also alert the officers if there were a stolen vehicle.

Motion by B. Cullefer

To start the procedure to get the stations for the four-lane and GA 27.

Second by M. House

6-0

Fire Chief – G. Stewart was absent.

New Business:

The mayor read Ordinance No. 2023-01 regarding the Automated Traffic light in the school zone.

Motion by B. Cullefer

To approve Ordinance No. 2023-01 for the automated traffic light.

Second by M. House

6-0

Ordinance No. 2023-02 (Alcoholic Beverage) The mayor started reading, but Councilwoman asked about the revised copy. The clerk stated that there was no revision – Attorney Coleman said he couldn't find anything about poured spirit. Mona Hubbard noted that there was a referendum on pour spirit. Ms. Hubbard stated that it was put on the ballot and passed. Clerk asked if she could bring the referendum to city hall. The mayor noted that the ordinance needs to be tabled until we look into it further. Councilwoman Mallory stated that it also needs to be reworded – the revised needs to be removed.

Old Business:

Dog Pound – The clerk informed the council that County manager Moye sent an email stating that it would be in March before this is brought back up. The county wants to get a survey of the property. The mayor asked the attorney about donating to Adoptable Dogs. Attorney Coleman stated that it would be legal for the city.

Night Club – This has been tabled until looked into further.

Stovall Sewage – Ms. Mallory first brought this up concerning the sewage problem at the Layton's. The mayor stated that they had been paying for the last thirty years and had never had sewage. I spoke with the attorney about the situation. We will fix this problem and then end all sewage charges.

Motion by M. House
Second by C. Matthews

To fix the sewage on Layton property, then
end the monthly charge for sewage.

6-0

Council Input:

M. House – Nothing

C. Matthews – Nothing

N. Seay – Nothing

B. Cullefer –

B. Mallory – We need to be concerned about the property on MLK Jr. Drive. The property
need to be cleaned up. The clerk, we need to send out a letter to the property owner that it
must be cleaned up.

F. Brown - Nothing

Executive Session (if needed)

Adjourn

Motion by B. Cullefer
Second by M. House

To adjourn
6-0

Jimmy Babb

Mayor Jimmy Babb

Date: 3-14-23

Barbara Cullefer

Billie Mallory

Hessie Brown

C. Matthews
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City Clerk, Anne Holloway