

The City Council in and for the citizens of the City of Lake City, Florida, met in Regular Session, on September 15, 2014 beginning at 7:00 P.M., in the City Council Chambers, located at City Hall 205 North Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION - Vice-Mayor/Council Member Eugene Jefferson

1. ROLL CALL

Mayor/Councilman	Stephen M. Witt
Vice Mayor/Council Member	Eugene Jefferson
City Council	Melinda Moses
	Zack Paulk
	George Ward - absent
City Attorney	Herbert F. Darby
City Manager	Wendell Johnson
Sergeant-at-Arms	Chief Argatha Gilmore
City Clerk	Audrey E. Sikes

2. PROCLAMATIONS

- A. Waste Pro Safety Bonus Award Presentation
Mr. Raymond Kress, Lake City Driver

Ms. Dayna Miller and Mr. Frank Kramer of Waste Pro presented Mr. Raymond Kress with a \$10,000 check for the Waste Pro Safety Bonus Award.

3. MINUTES

- A. Budget Workshop-August 6, 2014
B. Regular Session-August 6, 2014
C. Budget Workshop-August 7, 2014
D. Regular Session-August 18, 2014
E. Canvassing Board-August 27, 2014

Ms. Moses made a motion to approve the August 6, 2014 Budget Workshop, August 6, 2014 Regular Session, August 7, 2014 Budget Workshop, August 18, 2014 Regular Session, and August 27, 2014 Canvassing Board minutes as presented. Mr. Paulk seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Paulk made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Ms. Moses seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

At this time Mayor Witt opened a public hearing to accept input from all interested parties relative to the discussion, consideration, and final approval of the City's 2014-2015 proposed millage rate and operating budget. Mayor Witt stated the City was offering the opportunity to all in attendance to speak in regard to the budget and asked for all speakers to identify themselves by name and address. Mayor Witt stated the Assistant Finance Director would provide a summary of the budget process and addressed those items essential to compliance with the State of Florida Truth In Millage (TRIM) requirements.

Assistant Finance Director Denise Koon reported the City Council proposes a final millage rate of 3.9751 mills and a final capital and operating budget of \$63,446,535 for fiscal year 2014-2015. She stated Council action tonight constitutes the "Final" budget hearing as required by State TRIM criteria and was announced to the General Public by public TRIM notices mailed by the Columbia County Property Appraiser on September 11, 2014. Ms. Koon reported during this hearing, the following agenda will be addressed:

- The Council will discuss the 2014-2015 millage and operating budget and allow citizen input as appropriate.
- The Council will direct announcement of the final millage rate proposed for adoption and of any increase, decrease, or no change.
- The City Attorney will read, by title, Millage Resolution No. 2014-059.
- The Council will adopt Millage Resolution No. 2014-059 on final reading.
- The City Attorney will read, by title, Budget Resolution No. 2014-060.
- The Council will adopt Budget Resolution No. No. 2014-060 on final reading.

Mayor Witt declared the "Final Budget Hearing" open for discussion for public input followed by discussion by the City Council.

During public comments non one asked to speak. Mayor Witt asked if there were any comments of Council. Hearing none the Mayor closed the public hearing.

Mayor Witt asked the Assistant Finance Director to state for the record the taxing authority, the final millage rate to be adopted, the rolled-back millage rate, and any change the final millage rate represents to the current year's millage.

Assistant Finance Director Denise Koon stated the City Council of the City of Lake City, as Taxing Authority, proposes a final tax on all property

located within the City of Lake City, Florida, at the rate of 3.9751 mills for the Fiscal year 2014-2015 operating budget. The final millage rate is a 0% change from the 3.9751 rolled back millage rate as defined by the Florida Statutes and represents a .16% decrease over the current year's millage rate of 3.9816.

A. City Council Resolution No. 2014-059, if adopted, adopts a millage rate of 3.9751 for each \$1,000.00 of assessed value on all real property and tangible personal property located within the City of Lake City for the levy of ad valorem taxes for the calendar year 2015 to fund expenses for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2014 and ending September 30, 2015. Mayor Witt asked the City Attorney to read Millage Resolution No. 2014-059 by title. City Attorney Herbert Darby read City Council Resolution No. 2014-059 by title, "City Council Resolution No. 2014-059, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, adopting a millage rate for the levy of ad valorem taxes for the City of Lake City for Fiscal Year 2014-2015; and providing for an effective date." **Ms. Moses made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2014-059 on final reading, adopting a millage rate of 3.9751 as the millage rate for the calendar year 2015 to fund expenses for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2014 and ending September 30, 2015. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Ms. Moses	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Paulk	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

B. City Council Resolution No. 2014-060, if adopted, adopts the Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 beginning October 1 2014 and ending September 30, 2015. Mayor Witt asked the City Attorney to read Budget Resolution No. 2014-060 by title. City Attorney Herbert Darby read City Council Resolution No. 2014-060 by title, "City Council Resolution No. 2014-060, a resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, adopting the budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015; and providing for an effective date." **Mr. Paulk made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2013-044 on final reading, adopting the budget for Fiscal Year 2013-2014 beginning October 1, 2014 and ending September 30, 2015. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Paulk	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Ms. Moses	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

At this time Mayor Witt closed the Tentative Hearing of the FY 2014-2015 Budget.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval for the Lake City Police Department to apply for the Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant FY 2015, Grant Application #2015-JAGC-2625, in the amount of \$64,164.00, for Officer/Public Safety Equipment.

Mr. Paulk made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of item "A" above. Ms. Moses seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.

6. PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

None

7. PERSONS WISHING TO APPEAR THAT ARE NOT ON THE AGENDA

William Schretzman-7791 SW CR 245, Lake Butler, Florida, voiced concerns regarding The Lake City Gateway Airport. (Airport not in City limits, enacting Ordinances outside the City limits is against Florida Statutes and elected official representing the Lake City Municipal Airport).

8. OLD BUSINESS

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES:

At this time Mayor Witt closed the regular session and opened a public hearing for the purposes of hearing comments on City Council Ordinance No. 2014-2048. City Council Ordinance 2014-2048 was read by title. Mayor Witt asked if anyone wanted to be heard on City Council Ordinance No. 2014-2048. Travis Koon spoke in favor of City Council Ordinance No. 2014-2048. Upon completion of comments Mayor Witt closed the public hearing.

B. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

1. Ordinance No. 2014-2048 (first reading), if enacted, relates to the rezoning of less than ten contiguous acres of land from Residential, Single Family-2 (RSF-2) to Residential, Office (RO) of certain lands within the corporate limits of the City of Lake City. This property is located at 284 SW Baya Drive and Travis D. Koon is the Petitioner. **Ms. Moses made a motion to adopt City Council Ordinance No. 2014-2048 on first reading relating to the rezoning of less than ten contiguous acres of land from Residential, Single Family-2 (RSF-2) to Residential, Office (RO). Mr. Paulk seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Ms. Moses Aye
Mr. Paulk Aye
Mr. Jefferson Aye
Mayor Witt Aye

C. RESOLUTIONS:

1. City Council Resolution No. 2014-067, if adopted, will authorize the City to enter into a Comprehensive Planning Services Agreement with North Central Florida Regional Planning Council to render technical assistance and amendment assistance services to the City relating to the Comprehensive Plan and Land Development Regulations for the City for Fiscal Year 2015 and to be paid a fixed fee amount of \$35,000.00. **Mr. Jefferson made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2014-067 authorizing the City to enter into a Comprehensive Planning Services Agreement with North Central Florida Regional Planning Council. Ms. Moses seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Jefferson Aye
Ms. Moses Aye
Mr. Paulk Aye
Mayor Witt Aye

2. City Council Resolution No. 2014-068, if adopted, will authorize the City to retain Eric J. Holshouser, Attorney at Law, and his law firm Buchanan Ingersoll Rooney, PC/Fowler White Boggs (the "Firm") to represent the City in connection with collective bargaining with the International Association of Fire Fighters ("IAFF") on behalf of the Lake City Fire Fighters pursuant to and in accordance with the same terms and conditions contained in prior engagement letter between the Firm and the City dated April 10, 2014, authorized by City Council Resolution No. 2014-027, in connection with the Firm representing the City with collective bargaining with the Fraternal Order of Police. **Mr. Paulk made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2014-068 authorizing the City to retain Eric J. Holshouser, Attorney at Law, and his law firm Buchanan Ingersoll Rooney, PC/Fowler White Boggs (the "Firm") to represent the City in connection with collective bargaining with the International Association of Fire Fighters ("IAFF") on behalf of the Lake City Fire Fighters. Ms. Moses seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Paulk Aye

Ms. Moses Aye
Mr. Jefferson Aye
Mayor Witt Aye

3. City Council Resolution No. 2014-069, if adopted, delegates and appoints each, Stephen M. Witt, as Mayor, Wendell Johnson, as City Manager, Grayson Cason, as Assistant City Manager, and Steve Roberts, as Executive Director of Utilities, as attorney-in-fact for the City to approve and execute on behalf of and in the name of the City any specified document between the City and the State of Florida, Department of Transportation pursuant to and in accordance with the delegation and special power of attorney. **Mr. Jefferson made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2014-069 delegating and appointing each, Stephen M. Witt, as Mayor, Wendell Johnson, as City Manager, Grayson Cason, as Assistant City Manager, and Steve Roberts, as Executive Director of Utilities, as attorney-in-fact for the City any specified document between the City and the State of Florida, Department of Transportation. Ms. Moses seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Jefferson Aye
Ms. Moses Aye
Mr. Paulk Aye
Mayor Witt Aye

City Manager Wendell Johnson clarified that Resolution No. 2014-069 is a state requirement for the Florida Department of Transportation for agreements coming forward. Resolution No. 2014-069 records signatures that are on file with the Florida Department of Transportation.

4. City Council Resolution No. 2014-070, if adopted, will authorize the City to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Columbia County and the Town of Fort White establishing a distribution formula for dividing the proceeds of the four cents local option fuel tax imposed upon every gallon of motor fuel sold in Columbia County, Florida, by County Ordinance No. 2014-5 for a period of time commencing January 1, 2015, and remaining in effect until December 31, 2026, unless further extended, among Columbia County, the City of Lake City, and the Town of Fort White. **Mr. Paulk made a motion to adopt City Resolution No. 2014-070 authorizing the City to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Columbia County and the Town of Fort White establishing a distribution formula for dividing the proceeds of the four cents local option fuel tax imposed upon every gallon of motor fuel sold in Columbia County, Florida. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Paulk Aye
Mr. Jefferson Aye
Ms. Moses Aye
Mayor Witt Aye

10. DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION
None

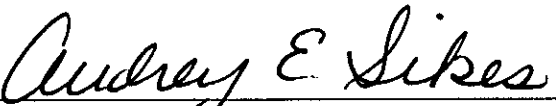
11. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS
None

12. ADJOURNMENT

**All matters having been handled, the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.
on a motion made and duly seconded.**



Stephen M. Witt, Mayor/Council Member



Audrey E. Sikes, MMC City Clerk