

The City Council in and for the citizens of the City of Lake City, Florida, met in Regular Session, on March 7, 2011 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 - Mayor Witt

1. ROLL CALL

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

At this time Jim Gollahon provided a presentation to the members relating to the Refunding of the Sales Tax Loan. **Mr. Ward made a motion authorizing staff, Mr. Gollahon, and Bryant Miller and Olive to move forward with refunding the 2010 Bond Issue with an additional \$500,000. The motion provides authorization to move forward with just the refunding should the new money option not be feasible. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Ms. Moses	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

2. PROCLAMATIONS

A. Women's History Month - March 2011  
 Citizens Advocate Audre Washington honored Leslie Reid McDaniel, Calendra Wise and Dottie List and stated their artwork will be on display at City Hall and at the Lake City Police Department. Mayor Witt presented the proclamation to Audre Washington.

3. MINUTES

A. Regular Session - February 7, 2011

**Mr. Jefferson made a motion to approve the February 7, 2011 minutes as presented. Ms. Moses seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approve request to purchase three (3) heavy duty office chairs for Dispatch for a total cost of \$3,259.92
- B. Passero Associates, LLC, Invoice No. 2204, \$15,000.00 (Airport Terminal Project)
- C. Hatch Mott MacDonald, Invoice No. 2/122435, \$76,346.00 (Kicklighter Wastewater Treatment Plant)
- D. Jones Edmunds, Invoice No. STATEMENT 0111, \$1,831.01 (Sisters Welcome Reclaim PSDC Services)
- E. Mandese White Construction, Inc., Pay Request No. 5, \$198,985.59 (Airport Project)
- F. Authorize the Train the Trainer Proposal on Social Media Liability to be provided by Attorney Mark Fiedelholtz in an amount not to exceed \$7,000.00 utilizing funding from contingency

**Mr. Ward made a motion to approve the consent agenda, consisting of items A - F listed above. Mr. Jefferson seconded this motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

6. PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

- A. Mr. John Cole, Richardson Middle School 4H and FFA Advisor for the School term 2010-2011. Mr. Cole provided a Powerpoint Presentation relating to the proposed 4H and FFA Programs for Richardson Middle School. Mr. Cole stated there is a City Ordinance that prohibits having livestock in the City limits.
- B. Tony Buzzella - MADD Festival Representative. Mr. Buzzella requested the City Council to sponsor the MADD Festival in order to be absorbed under the blanket of insurance coverage for the City. Mr. Johnson reported the cost to cover the MADD Festival is approximately \$2,500 with the Florida League of Cities Florida Municipal Insurance Trust. Mr. Johnson reported the City provided

the Chamber of Commerce with \$15,000 and stated he would contact them to see if the Chamber would consider allocating a portion of these funds to cover the insurance costs for the MADD Festival for next year. Additionally, Mr. Johnson stated he would see if the Chamber had any funds that could be utilized for this purpose for the 2011 event. **Ms. Moses made a motion to approve the MADD Festival permit. This motion is contingent upon proper paperwork inclusive of proper insurance. The motion also provides authorization for Mr. Johnson to check with the Chamber of Commerce relating to insurance funding. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Ms. Moses	Aye
Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

The City will address insurance funding at the next meeting if the Chamber of Commerce is unable to fund the cost for the 2011 event.

7. PERSONS WISHING TO APPEAR THAT ARE NOT ON THE AGENDA  
None

8. OLD BUSINESS  
None

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTIONS:

1. City Council Resolution No. 2011-011, if adopted, gives notice of the City's intent to amend the Lake City Community Redevelopment Agency Plan by expanding the boundaries of the existing CRA area, both to the North and South of the existing CRA area, to include within the CRA area four (4) additional areas of land. **Mr. Ward made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2011-011, giving notice of the City's intent to amend the Lake City Community Redevelopment Agency Plan by expanding the boundaries of the CRA. Ms. Moses seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Ward           Aye  
Ms. Moses          Aye  
Mr. Hill            Aye  
Mr. Jefferson      Aye  
Mayor Witt         Aye

2. City Council Resolution No. 2011-014, if adopted, will authorize the City to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Columbia County School Board to provide a Lake City Police Officer to serve as a Resource Officer at the Challenge Learning Center. Deborah Hill, Principal of Challenge Learning Center, thanked the Lake City Police Department for their efforts in this process. Chief Gilmore reminded the Columbia County School Board will need to pick up the salary of the officer. **Mr. Hill made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2011-014, authorizing the City to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with the Columbia County School Board. Ms. Moses seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Hill            Aye  
Ms. Moses          Aye  
Mr. Ward            Aye  
Mr. Jefferson      Aye  
Mayor Witt         Aye

3. City Council Resolution No. 2011-015, establishing and adopting a standard mileage rate established by the IRS for private vehicle use by City employees when approved by the City. **Mr. Hill made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2011-015, establishing a standard mileage rate established by the IRS for private vehicle use by City employees. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Hill            Aye  
Mr. Jefferson      Aye  
Ms. Moses          Aye  
Mr. Ward            Aye  
Mayor Witt         Aye

4. City Council Resolution No. 2011-017, if adopted, will authorize the City to change the name of the airport from Lake City Municipal Airport to Lake City Gateway Airport as recommended by the Airport Committee on February 22, 2011.

Mr. Johnson reminded the new artwork for the sign will be brought back for approval of the Council. **Mr. Ward made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2011-017, authorizing the City to change the name of the airport from Lake City Municipal Airport to Lake City Gateway Airport. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Ms. Moses	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

- B. Discuss Appointment to the Lake City Police Department Pension Board (Mayor Witt)

Per the Report to Council Council appointed Police Pension trustees Jennings Brown and Howard Vanarsdall terms will expire on May 20, 2011. Jennings Brown was re-appointed via City Council Resolution No. 2009-037. Howard Vanarsdall was appointed via City Council Resolution No. 2010-124 to fill the expired term of Keith Couey. Mr. Ward stated he would like to see both member re-appointed if they are interested. **Mr. Ward made a motion authorizing staff to contact Jennings Brown and Howard Vanarsdall to see if they are interested in being re-appointed as the Council appointed trustees to the Lake City Police Department Pension Board. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Ms. Moses	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

## 10. DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

- A. Requesting drug forfeiture expenses under \$2,000.00 be approved at the City Manager level and expenses over \$2,000.00 be approved at Council level (Chief Gilmore) **Mr. Ward made a motion to approve the staff recommendation authorizing drug forfeiture expenses under \$2,000.00 to be approved at the City Manager level and expenses over \$2,000.00 to be approved at Council level. Ms. Moses seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Ward	Aye
Ms. Moses	Aye
Mr. Hill	Nay
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

11. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

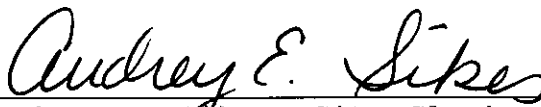
Mayor Witt thanked County Commissioner Rusty Depratter for attending the meeting tonight.

Mr. Hill asked for an update on EMS and Combined Communications. Mr. Johnson reported the City is waiting on the County to make an determination on the EMS bid award. Mr. Johnson stated Commissioner Dupree made a motion at the County Commission meeting to cancel the Executive Committee Combined Communications meeting that was scheduled to be held on March 15, 2011 due to the City not providing information requested. Mr. Johnson stated he feels it is in the City's best interest to come to an amicable agreement.

12. ADJOURNMENT

**All matters having been handled, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 PM on a motion made and duly seconded.**

  
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Stephen M. Witt, Mayor/Council Member

  
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Audrey E. Sikes, City Clerk