

The City Council in and for the citizens of the City of Lake City, Florida, met in Regular Session, on February 19, 2008 beginning at 7:00 P.M., in the Council Chambers, located at 205 North Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION - George Ward

1. ROLL CALL

Mayor	Stephen M. Witt
Vice Mayor	John Robertson
City Council	Eugene Jefferson
	Mike Lee
	George R. Ward
City Attorney	Herbert F. Darby
Sergeant-at-Arms	Captain John DuBose
City Manager	Scott Reynolds
City Clerk	Audrey Sikes

2. MINUTES

A. Regular Session - January 22, 2008

**Mr. Jefferson made a motion to approve the January 22, 2008 minutes as presented. Mr. Ward seconded this motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Members concur to remove item 12 A Approval to award three (3) firefighters a 5% promotional increase (Carrie Correia) from the agenda and to renumber 12 B to 12 A. Members concur to add item 12 B Response Letter from County (Scott Reynolds) and 12 C New Police Chief. **Mr. Robertson made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Mr. Lee seconded this motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Jones Edmunds, Invoice No. 0306475, \$10,377.15
- B. Liles, Gavin, Costantino & George, Statement No. 14064, \$150.73
- C. Approval to purchase five (5) sets of bunker gear instead of four (4) sets at a cost less than the budgeted amount of \$7,200.00. This item was presented and approved at the Public Safety Committee Meeting on February 11, 2008.

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

5. APPROVAL OF GREATER LAKE CITY REGIONAL UTILITY AUTHORITY CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Bailey Bishop & Lane, Inc., Invoice No. 12727, \$8000.00 (Lake Jeffery Road Project)
- B. Jones Edmunds, Invoice No. 0306257, \$43,924.55 (St. Margaret Road WWTP)
- C. Jones Edmunds, Invoice No. 306487, \$2,200.00 (St. Margaret Road WWTP)
- D. GTC Design Group, LLC, Invoice No. 2990, \$3,856.52 (Target Lift Station)
- E. GAI Consultants, formerly Hartman, Invoice No. 2023461, \$4,562.50 (rate consultant)
- F. Tetra Tech, Inc., Invoice No. 50129780, \$3,939.43 (Kicklighter Road)
- G. Tetra Tech, Inc., Invoice No. 50129797, \$11,648.12 (Price Creek Water Plant Start Up Charge)
- H. Tetra Tech, Inc., Invoice No. 50136575, \$13,845.79 (WTP)

**Mr. Robertson made a motion to approve the consent agenda, consisting of item A-H listed above. Mr. Ward seconded this 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  
None

8. PROCLAMATIONS  
None

9. OLD BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES:

**Mayor Witt closed the Regular Session and opened a Public Hearing for the purpose of hearing comments on City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1140. City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1140 was read by title and Mayor Witt asked if anyone wanted to be heard. No one asked to be heard on City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1140, therefore Mayor Witt closed the public hearing.**

B. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES:

1. City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1140 (final reading and enactment) amending General Employees Retirement Ordinance relating to DROP

This ordinance amends Section 5.03(6) of Section 5 of the City Retirement Ordinance No. 2007-1098 relating to the DROP for certain City employees including elected officials. **Mr. Ward made a motion to adopt and enact City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1140, amending the General Employees Retirement Ordinance relating to DROP. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Lee	Aye
Mr. Robertson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

10. NEW BUSINESS

A. ORDINANCES:

Mayor Witt closed the Regular Session and opened a Public Hearing for the purpose of hearing comments on City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1141 and City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1142. City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1141 and City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1142 was read by title and Mayor Witt asked if anyone wanted to be heard. No one asked to be heard on City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1141 and City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1142, therefore Mayor Witt closed the public hearing.

B. ORDINANCES:

1. Ordinance No. 2008-1141 (first reading) land use change

This ordinance amends the future land use classification from Residential Moderate Density (less than or equal to 4 dwelling units per acre) to Residential Medium Density (less than or equal to 8 dwelling units per acre). This property is owned by John J. Windham and his wife Joyce M. Windham and is located at 197 NW Gwen Lake Boulevard. **Mr. Lee made a motion to adopt and enact City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1141 on first reading, regarding a land use change for property owned by John J. Windham and Joyce M. Windham. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Lee	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Robertson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

2. City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1142 (first reading) rezoning

This ordinance relates to the rezoning of less than ten contiguous acres of land from Residential Single Family - 2 (RSF-2) to Residential Office (RO). This property is owned by John J. Windham and his wife Joyce M. Windham and is located at 197 NW Gwen Lake Boulevard. **Mr. Jefferson made a motion to adopt and enact City Council Ordinance No. 2008-1142 on first reading**

relating to the rezoning of property owned by John J. Windham and Joyce M. Windham. Mr. Lee seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.

Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Lee	Aye
Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Robertson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

C. Approval of RFQ Recommendation for Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Consultant (Alice Childress)

This item was presented and approved at the Public Safety Committee on February 11, 2008. Mr. Reynolds reported staff is recommending Tindale Oliver as the Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Consultant. Mr. Lee asked for this company to review the specificity with assessments regarding apartment units. Mr. Ward asked staff to convey to Tindale Oliver the disappointment in the past with the previous firms. Alice Childress reported the City received very positive responses/referrals on Tindale Oliver. **Mr. Lee made a motion to approve the RFQ (Request Formal Quote) of Tindale Oliver and Associates for Non-Ad Valorem Assessment Consultant Services, and for staff to proceed with the negotiation process. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Lee	Aye
Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Robertson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

D. Approval of the Stormwater Five Year Capital Improvement Plan (Thomas Henry)

Mr. Henry and Mr. Reynolds requested the members to approve the Stormwater Five Year Capital Improvement Plan as submitted during the workshop. **Mr. Ward made a motion to approve the Stormwater Five Year Capital Improvement Plan as presented during the workshop held on February 19, 2008 at 5:30 PM. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Robertson	Aye
Mr. Lee	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Airport: George Ward, Chairman

Mr. Ward stated the Airport Committee has not met recently. Mr. Ward reported the RFQ for engineering services of the new terminal should be in next week.

B. Beautification: Bettye Lane, Chairwoman (Mayor Witt)

Mayor Witt reported the committee met last week to review the success of Florida Arbor Day. Mayor Witt reported Alfonso Levy and Raymond Macatee were honored.

Mayor Witt spoke about National Arbor Day and the upcoming Tree Give-A-Way event. Mayor Witt reported Elliano's has agreed to contribute trees again for the event.

Mr. Reynolds reported the City has received the Tree City USA designation and the plaque should be received shortly.

C. Downtown Development Committee: Mike Lee, Chairman

Mr. Lee reminded members the next meeting would be held on Wednesday, February 27, 2008 at noon.

Mr. Lee stated a finalized recommendation is forth coming from the sub-committee relating to the Downtown Plan.

Mr. Lee stated re-routing traffic from 441/downtown has been a hot topic with the overwhelming response of "no" to close Marion Street through the downtown area.

D. Housing Committee: Eugene Jefferson, Chairman

Mr. Jefferson reported the committee will meet on Thursday, February 21, 2008 at 6:00 PM.

E. Public Safety Committee: Mike Lee, Chairman

Mr. Lee asked members to consider revisiting the possibility of asking the Board of County Commission to provide fire services in the City limits. Mr. Lee stated this is a critical issue and the most efficient way to provide fire services needs to be determined. **Mr. Lee made a motion requesting City Manager Scott Reynolds to revisit the County's interest in providing fire services in the City. Mr. Robertson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Lee	Aye
Mr. Robertson	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Ward	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

F. Recreation: Eugene Jefferson, Chairman

Mr. Jefferson stated he would like to schedule a meeting for next week.

Mr. Reynolds provided members with an update on the Richardson Center.

12. DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

- A. Bid Award, ITB-010-2008, for Pipe Line Inspection and Rehabilitation TV/Grout Truck to low bidder, CUES, in the amount of \$218,000.00. (Dave Clanton)

Mr. Clanton reported this purchase would help the City identify and correct inflow and infiltration. This is a budgeted item. **Mr. Robertson made a motion to award ITB-010-2008 to the lowest bidder, CUES in the amount of \$218,000 for the purchase of a TV/Grout truck. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

Mr. Robertson	Aye
Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Lee	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

B. Response letter from County dated February 14, 2008 (EMS)

Mr. Reynolds reported we have received a response to our questions.

Mr. Lee expressed his confusion with why the City of Lake City has been left out but the Ft. White area was included in the EMS Service area.

Mr. Darby stated he should know something regarding the law firms by Friday.

Mr. Robertson requested for the City to make another effort through the sub-committee (Mr. Ward, Mr. Reynolds, County Manager Dale Williams and Commissioner Williams). Mr. Robertson suggested providing the County an example of what is being asked for ie: Excel spreadsheets, etc.

Mr. Ward requested to receive information prior to the sub-committee meeting. Mr. Ward would like to see a full line item budget with revenues and expenses to support.

Mr. Robertson concurred with Mr. Ward and asked for this to be communicated in writing.

Mayor Witt asked about the collection of receivables and stated maybe this process could be perfected or improved.

C. Police Chief Position Update (Scott Reynolds)

Mr. Reynolds reported he has hired Stephen Burch from Crystal River. Mr. Reynolds stated Mr. Burch would be starting the end of March. Mr. Reynolds requested the members to grant authorization for Mr. Burch to live at one of the City owned rental properties located on Northeast DeSoto Circle, until he sells his home in Crystal River, not to exceed one year, free of charge. Mr. Reynolds reported the rental income is approximately \$7,200 per year. Mr. Lee stated the hiring process was very fair. Mr. Lee commended the Florida Police Chiefs Association and stated everyone was given a fair opportunity. **Mr. Lee made a motion authorizing Stephen Burch to reside in one of the City owned rental properties located on Northeast Desoto Circle, at no charge, unless he sells his residence in Crystal River. The motion provides for Mr. Burch to be responsible for all utilities. Mr. Robertson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

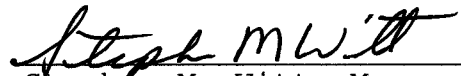
Mr. Lee	Aye
Mr. Robertson	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mr. Ward	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

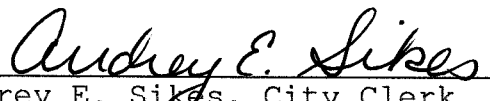
13. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Mr. Lee reminded members of the upcoming Town Hall Meeting on Tuesday, February 26, 2008 at 6:00 PM at Teen Town.

14. ADJOURNMENT

**All matters having been handled, the meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM on a motion made and duly seconded.**

  
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Stephen M. Witt, Mayor

  
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Audrey E. Sikes, City Clerk