

The City Council in and for the citizens of the City of Lake City, Florida, met in Regular Session, on January 4, 2010, beginning at 7:00 P.M., in the City Council Chambers located at City Hall, 205 North Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida 32055.

1. ROLL CALL

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

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. Regular Session - December 7, 2009

Mr. Jefferson made a motion to approve the December 7, 2009 Regular Session minutes as presented. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. The motion carried on a voice vote.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ms. Moses made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. The motion passed on a voice vote.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Henry Sheldon, P.E., Invoice No. 1176, \$3,568.00
- B. Purvis Gray & Company, Invoice No. 3478, \$36,000.00
- C. Permit request from Northeast Florida Leadership Council to hold the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Parade on Monday, January 18, 2010 from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. All supporting documents, including certificate of insurance, have been provided.

Mr. Hill made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, consisting of items A-C identified above. Mr. Ward seconded the motion. The motion carried on a voice vote.

5. PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL

None

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

- A. Myron Carter, 1453 Lake Jeffrey Road. Mr. Carter stated the City should spend funds on providing staff raises instead of on the Blanche Hotel.
- B. Karen Mizer, 566 Southwest Arlington Blvd. #103, Lake City, Florida 32025. Ms. Mizer posed questions pertaining to the availability charge and the proposed new rate structure.
- C. Ray Kneppar, Mr. Kneppar expressed concern with multiple meter charges and asked for verification of the process for the fee calculations.

7. PROCLAMATIONS

None

8. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Ordinances

Mayor Witt closed the Regular Session and opened a Public Hearing for the purposes of hearing comments on City Council Ordinance No. 2009-1197. City Council Ordinance No. 2009-1197 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. 2009-1197, therefore Mayor Witt closed the public hearing.

B. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

- 1. City Council Ordinance No. 2009-1197, (final reading and enactment) 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 owned by Charles and Beverly Graper and is located at 1118 Southwest Castle Heights Terrace. **Mr. Hill made a motion to adopt and enact on second and final reading, the rezoning of property owned by Charles and Beverly Graper. Mr. Jefferson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

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

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTIONS:

1. City Council Resolution No. 2010-001, appointing Wendell Johnson, City Manager, to serve as a member on the Florida Gas Utility Board of Directors and designating David E. Clanton, Executive Director of Utilities, as an alternate Director. **Mr. Ward made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2010-001, appointing Wendell Johnson to serve as a member on the Florida Gas Utility Board of Directors and designating David Clanton as an alternate Director. 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. 2010-002, authorizing the City to enter into a contract with Don's Septic and Fill, Inc. for the demolition of two structures owned by the City. **Ms. Moses made a motion to adopt City Council Resolution No. 2010-002, authorizing a contract with Don's Septic and Fill, Inc. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.**

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

- B. Charter Review Discussion (Wendell Johnson)
Mr. Johnson reported it is a requirement of the Charter to review every ten (10) years. Mr. Johnson asked for each City Council member to select a representative. No formal action taken on this item. Members authorized by general consent the formation of a Charter Review Board/Committee.
- C. Approval of Water/Sewer Rate Study (Dave Clanton)
Mr. Clanton distributed corrected copies of the Rate Study, Page ES-3, Table ES-1, Page ES-5, Table ES-3, Page ES-6, Table ES-5, Page 5-4, Table 5-1, Page 5-5, Table 5-3, Page 5-7, Table 5-4, Page 5-8, Table 5-6. **Mr. Ward made a motion to adopt the City of Lake City Rate Study, Scenario 1 (water and wastewater rates \$420,000 lost revenue); reclaimed volumetric charge at \$0.63 per 1,000 gallons. The motion also provides authorization to rename the Service Availability Charge to Base Charge; implement no Base Charge assessment to inactive customers, adoption of the American Water and Wastewater Association (AWWA) methodology and meter-size increments, i.e., the Equivalent Residential Unit (ERU) standard unit of measure, authorize the City Attorney and staff to proceed with the legislative and public notices processes leading to implementation of the adjusted water and wastewater rates and new reclaimed water use charge. 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

10. DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION

- A. Fleet Management Discussion (Wendell Johnson/Grayson Cason)
Mr. Johnson reported our fleet is aging with half of our fleet being ten (10) years old or older. Mr. Johnson stated by exploring the initiative of a municipal lease/purchase option it would reduce our fleet management costs that are currently in excess of \$600,000 per year in addition to improving the condition of the entire fleet. Mr. Johnson stated the proposal involves approximately one hundred (100) units, excluding emergency management. **Mr. Ward made a motion authorizing staff to advertise a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a municipal lease/purchase financing option for the City's fleet of vehicles,**

excluding first response vehicles, special purpose vehicles and large trucks. The motion also provides for the possible inclusion of vehicle acquisition, funding, maintenance, insurance/risk/management, fuel, disposal and potentially additional fleet management to be included within the RFP. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.

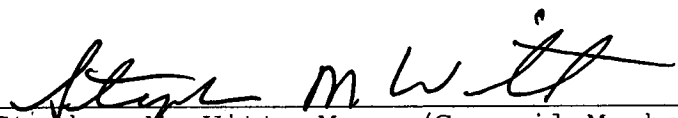
Mr. Ward	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Ms. Moses	Aye
Mr. Jefferson	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

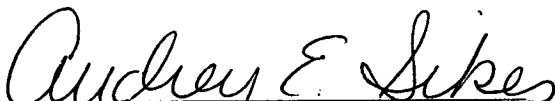
11. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

- A. Mayor reminded the next City Council Meeting would be held on Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 7:00 PM.
- B. Mayor Witt encouraged all to attend the Florida Arbor Day celebration in the park on Friday, January 22, 2010 at 11AM honoring Billie McDuffie.
- C. Mayor Witt reminded the City of Lake City Annual Award Banquet would be held at the Country Club at Lake City on Friday, January 29, 2010 at 7:00 PM.

12. ADJOURNMENT

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


Stephen M. Witt, Mayor/Council Member


Audrey E. Sikes, City Clerk