

The City Council in and for the citizens of the City of Lake City, Florida, met in Regular Session, on March 20, 2023 beginning at 6:00 PM, in the City Council Chambers, located at City Hall 205 North Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida. Members of the public also viewed the meeting on our YouTube Channel.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

INVOCATION – Council Member Ricky Jernigan

#### ROLL CALL

Mayor/Council Member  
City Council

City Attorney  
City Manager  
Sergeant-at-Arms  
City Clerk

Stephen M. Witt  
Jake Hill, Jr.  
C. Todd Sampson  
Chevella Young  
Ricky Jernigan  
Todd Kennon  
Paul Dyal  
Chief Gerald Butler  
Audrey Sikes

PROCLAMATIONS – None

#### MINUTES

1. March 6, 2023 Regular Session

**Mr. Sampson made a motion to approve the March 6, 2023 Regular Session minutes as presented. Mr. Hill seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Mr. Hill made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Mr. Sampson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION – PERSONS WISHING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL – None

#### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

2. Authorize a budget amendment to transfer \$23,000.00 from contingency (Undesignated CARES Act Funding) to Grants and Aid to Private Organizations to cover the unbudgeted expenses of the Annie Mattox Park Projects identified in City Council Resolution 2022-049.

3. Approval to increase hangar rental rates by \$.03/square foot, bringing the rate to \$0.18/square foot at the Florida Gateway Airport.

**Mr. Sampson made a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of the items identified above. Mr. Hill seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

PRESENTATIONS – None

OLD BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinances

4. City Council Ordinance 2023-2244 (first reading) - An ordinance of the City of Lake City, Florida, pursuant to Petition No. ANX 23-01, relating to voluntary annexation; making findings; annexing certain real property located in Columbia County, Florida, which is reasonably compact, and contiguous to the boundaries of the City of Lake City, Florida, into the boundaries of the City of Lake City, Florida; providing for severability; repealing all ordinances in conflict; and providing an effective date. (Inn of Commerce LLC) **Mr. Sampson made a motion to approve City Council Ordinance No. 2023-2244 on first reading, pursuant to Petition No. ANX 23-01, relating to voluntary annexation; making findings, and annexing certain real property located in Columbia County, Florida, which is reasonably compact, and contiguous to the boundaries of the City of Lake City, Florida, into the boundaries of the City of Lake City, Florida. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

Resolutions

5. City Council Resolution No. 2023-008 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, accepting the bid from, and authorizing the execution of an agreement with, C & D Industrial Maintenance LLC for preventative and routine maintenance and repair of 25 hangars located at the Lake City Gateway Airport, at a cost not-to-exceed \$12,500.00. **Mr. Hill made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2023-008, accepting the bid from, and authorizing the execution of an agreement with, C & D Industrial Maintenance LLC for preventative and routine maintenance and repair of 25 hangars located at the Lake City Gateway Airport, at a cost not-to-exceed**

**\$12,500.00. Mr. Sampson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

<b>Mr. Hill</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Sampson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Ms. Young</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Jernigan</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Witt</b>	<b>Aye</b>

6. City Council Resolution No. 2023-024 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, authorizing the execution of an agreement with Flock Group, Inc. for the purchase and use of Flock Safety software and hardware at an annual price not-to-exceed \$81,350.00; providing for an exception to the competitive procurement of the commodity; and providing for an effective date.

Mr. Kennon reported after reviewing the agreement, he determined it should contain Statutory 119 language. His suggestion was to read the resolution by title, with the Council adopting the resolution with the contingency that Flock would adopt the 119 language into the master agreement.

**Mr. Sampson made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2023-024, authorizing the execution of an agreement with Flock Group, Inc. for the purchase and use of Flock Safety software and hardware at an annual price not-to-exceed \$81,350.00; providing for an exception to the competitive procurement of the commodity, and being contingent on Flock adopting the Statutory 119 language. Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

<b>Mr. Sampson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Jernigan</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Hill</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Ms. Young</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Witt</b>	<b>Aye</b>

7. City Council Resolution No. 2023-026 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, authorizing the Lake City Police Department to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Learning for Life, a Foreign Non-Profit Corporation, which operates and maintains the program known as "Exploring Youth Protection" Training. **Mr. Jernigan made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2023-026, authorizing the Lake City Police Department to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Learning for Life, a Foreign Non-Profit Corporation, which operates and maintains the program known as "Exploring Youth Protection" Training. Mr. Sampson seconded the motion.**

Mr. Kennon reported this document would be modified and returned as an addendum, once the Memorandum of Understanding is sent back from Learning for Life, utilizing the Statutory 119 language.

**A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

<b>Mr. Jernigan</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Sampson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Hill</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Ms. Young</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Witt</b>	<b>Aye</b>

8. City Council Resolution No. 2023-027 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, authorizing the execution of Amendment Number One to Agreement WG057 with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; providing for the reimbursement of allowable costs associated with the connection of the Casey Jones RV Park to the City's Wastewater Utility System; providing for an extension of the Agreement to April 30, 2025; and providing for an effective date. **Mr. Sampson made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2023-027, authorizing the execution of Amendment Number One to Agreement WG057 with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; providing for the reimbursement of allowable costs associated with the connection of the Casey Jones RV Park to the City's Wastewater Utility System, and providing for an extension of the Agreement to April 30, 2025. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

<b>Mr. Sampson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Hill</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Ms. Young</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Jernigan</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Witt</b>	<b>Aye</b>

9. City Council Resolution No. 2023-029 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, authorizing the execution of a Grant Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation, for ten percent (10%) of the allowable costs associated with the design and rehabilitation of Industrial Loop Road at the Lake City Gateway Airport. **Mr. Hill made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2023-029, authorizing the execution of a Grant Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation, for ten percent (10%) of the allowable costs associated with the design and rehabilitation of Industrial Loop Road at the Lake City Gateway Airport. Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mr. Sampson	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

10. City Council Resolution No. 2023-030 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, authorizing the execution of a Grant Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation, for ten percent (10%) of the allowable costs associated with the participation in the South Airfield Drainage Study at the Lake City Gateway Airport. **Mr. Hill made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2023-030, authorizing the execution of a Grant Agreement with the State of Florida, Department of Transportation, for ten percent (10%) of the allowable costs associated with the participation in the South Airfield Drainage Study at the Lake City Gateway Airport. Mr. Sampson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Sampson	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

11. City Council Resolution No. 2023-031 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, terminating the Interlocal Agreement between the City and Columbia County, Florida for the engagement of the County's Building Official to act as the City's Building Official.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Noah Walker

Mr. Dyal reported after speaking with County Manager, David Kraus, projects already permitted with the County, will continue as planned. The City will advertise for a Building Official and the County would continue to assist until that position is filled.

**Mr. Sampson made a motion to table City Council Resolution No. 2023-031 until a Building Official is hired. Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Ms. Young	Nay
Mayor Witt	Aye

12. City Council Resolution No. 2023-032 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, authorizing the execution of Amendment Number One to Agreement WG044 with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; providing for the reimbursement of allowable costs associated with the construction of utilities at State Road 47 and Interstate 75 Interchange; providing for an extension of the Agreement to October 31, 2024; and providing for an effective date. **Mr. Sampson made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2023-032, authorizing the execution of Amendment Number One to Agreement WG044 with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection; providing for the reimbursement of allowable costs associated with the construction of utilities at State Road 47 and Interstate 75 Interchange, and providing for an extension of the Agreement to October 31, 2024. Mr. Jernigan seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

13. City Council Resolution No. 2023-033 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, accepting a bid from RS&H, Inc., related to Construction Engineering and Inspection Services for the resurfacing of Patterson Avenue; providing for the award of a Construction Engineering and Inspection Contract; providing for the execution of the Construction Engineering and Inspection Contract for a price not to exceed \$40,242.60; and providing an effective date. **Mr. Hill made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2023-033, accepting a bid from RS&H, Inc., related to Construction Engineering and Inspection Services for the resurfacing of Patterson Avenue; providing for the award of a Construction Engineering and Inspection Contract, and providing for the execution of the Construction Engineering and Inspection Contract for a price not to exceed \$40,242.60. Mr. Sampson seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Hill	Aye
Mr. Sampson	Aye
Ms. Young	Aye
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

14. City Council Resolution No. 2023-034 - A resolution of the City Council of the City of Lake City, Florida, authorizing the City to operate an adult beverage distribution booth on the grounds of City owned property on or around Darby Pavilion for the purpose of selling beer and/or wine to adults who are twenty-one years of age and older at certain hours on April 14 and 15, 2023 during the City

of Lake City Downtown Showdown BBQ Cook-Off special event sponsored by the City. **Mr. Hill made a motion to approve City Council Resolution No. 2023-034, authorizing the City to operate an adult beverage distribution booth on the grounds of City owned property on or around Darby Pavilion for the purpose of selling beer and/or wine to adults who are twenty-one years of age and older at certain hours on April 14 and 15, 2023 during the City of Lake City Downtown Showdown BBQ Cook-Off special event sponsored by the City. Mr. Sampson seconded the motion.**

Ms. Young expressed concern with the distribution of alcohol on City property, Mr. Kennon reported the Suwannee River Breast Cancer Awareness Association would be handling the beverage booth.

**A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

<b>Mr. Hill</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Sampson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Ms. Young</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Jernigan</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Witt</b>	<b>Aye</b>

Other Items – None

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION – None

COMMENTS BY COUNCIL MEMBERS

City Clerk Audrey Sikes reminded members of the North East Florida League of Cities non-profit program that allows for a \$500 donation. Submitted nominations will be placed on the next agenda.

Mr. Hill asked Mr. Dyal and Mr. Johnson for assistance on getting Gwen Lake Road taken care of.

Mr. Dyal introduced Dee Johnson as the new Assistant City Manager.

Ms. Sikes requested a workshop for redistricting as performed by Kurt Spitzer. Members selected to meet on April 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM for redistricting and to reschedule the City Hall Assessment workshop. Members selected April 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM as the secondary date for the redistricting workshop. Mr. Dyal and Ms. Sikes will coordinate the rescheduling of the City Hall Assessment workshop.

ADJOURNMENT

**All matters having been handled, the meeting adjourned at 6:32 PM on a motion made and duly seconded.**

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Stephen M. Witt, Mayor/Council Member

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Audrey Sikes, MMC - City Clerk