

MARCH 18, 2024  
5:30 PM  
LAKE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
406 COURT STREET  
LAKE CITY, AR

A regular council meeting of the Lake City Council was brought to order by the honorable Mayor Cameron Tate.

The meeting opened with a prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

The roll having been called and the following members answered their names: BRENDA HUTCHESON, KASEY EAKINS, HARMONY CASH, JAKE EMERY, JAY DAVIS, Kate Wells was absent. The meeting continued with the above members present and the city clerk Lisa Sitz present.

GUESTS: Jerry Lamar, T-Bird, John Selig, Aaron & Ashley Bupp, Daniel Haynes, Josh Barnes, Morgan Barnes, Lana Tate, Ted Qualls.

A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Cash to accept the minutes as written from the last council meeting. Motion passed (5/0).

Mayor Tate discussed the financial statements and the liabilities of the city.

John Selig, the engineer for the new wastewater system project addressed the council explaining about the only bid for the job was from GCE, Inc of Paragould, AR and the overall contract amount. A Resolution had to be passed authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk/treasurer to accept the bid and enter into a contract.

A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Davis to have the city clerk read Resolution No. 2024-3-18A. Motion passed (5/0).

A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Emery to adopt Resolution No. 2024-3-18A. Motion passed (5/0).

The Planning & Zoning committee approved the rezoning of property at 312 & 314 Main Street. A motion by councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Eakins to rezone 312 & 314 Main St. from C-1 to R-2. Motion passed (5/0).

Property at 404 Walnut was also approved by the Planning and Zoning Committee. A motion by Councilmember Emery and seconded by Councilmember Cash to rezone property from C-1 to R-2. Motion passed (5/0).

A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Emery to have the city clerk read Resolution 2024-3-18B by title only. A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CITY'S 2023 AND 2024 BUDGETS AND ARPA GRANT BUDGET TO APPROPRIATE COSTS. Motion passed (5/0).  
A motion by Councilmember Cash and seconded by Councilmember Hutcheson to adopt Resolution No. 2024-3-18B. Motion passed (5/0).

Jared Davis has been hired as the new city police officer. A motion by councilmember Emery and seconded by Councilmember Davis to set his start date for March 25, 2024, and salary at \$38,000, to be increased to \$38,500 after being certified. Motion passed (5/0).

Cameron Casey has been hired as a general laborer. A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Cash to set salary at \$13.00/ hour and retroact his start date to March 11, 2024. Motion passed (5/0).

A motion by Councilmember Cash and seconded by Councilmember Emery to read the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance No. 324-24. Motion passed (5/0).

A motion by Councilmember Hutcheson and seconded by Councilmember Davis to adjourn. Motion passed (5/0).

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CAMERON TATE, MAYOR

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LISA SITZ, CITY CLERK/TREASURER