

**City of Locust Grove
 Council Workshop Meeting Minutes
 Public Safety Building – 3640 Highway 42
 Locust Grove, GA 30248
 Monday, June 17, 2019
 6:00 PM**

Members Present:	Staff Present:
Robert Price – Mayor	Tim Young – City Manager
Randy Gardner – Councilman	Misty Spurling – City Clerk
Willie Taylor – Councilman	Jennifer Adkins – Assistant City Clerk
Carlos Greer – Councilman	Anna W. Ogg – Main Street Manager
Otis Hammock – Councilman	Jack Rose – Public Works Director
Vernon Ashe – Councilman	Bert Foster – Community Development Director
Keith Boone – Councilman	Jesse Patton – Police Chief
	Andy Welch – City Attorney

Mayor Price called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Invocation given by Mayor Price.

Councilman Ashe led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA –

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Greer made the motion to approve the June 17, 2019 meeting agenda.

RESULT	APPROVED
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN GREER
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN TAYLOR
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED - ALL IN FAVOR

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS –

Special Event Request – Neighborhood block party at 244 Happy Trail in Jubilee Subdivision

- Community Development Director Bert Foster led discussion this request is from Terri-Anne Forbes to host a neighborhood block party on July 6, 2019 from 3:00 PM until midnight. Mr. Foster said he is recommending approval with the following conditions:

1. *On-Street parking shall be allowed on the odd-numbered address side of the street in the direction of travel. At no times shall the event obstruct emergency vehicles.*
2. *No parking shall be allowed within the cul-de-sac or within twenty (20) feet of an intersection.*
3. *Parking shall not block access to driveways and/or within ten (10) feet of fire hydrants.*

Councilman Boone asked who is enforcing conditions and is this event for the neighborhood only. Mr. Foster replied we have coordinated with the police department to monitor; however, there will

not be an officer there the entire time. Mrs. Forbes replied this event is for the neighborhood residents only and family members. Discussion took place about the noise ordinance time and Mr. Foster said he will confirm the time. Nothing further.

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Taylor made the motion to approve the special event request with conditions.

RESULT	APPROVED WITH CONDITIONS
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN TAYLOR
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN GREER
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED - ALL IN FAVOR

CITY OPERATION REPORTS / WORKSHOP DISCUSSION ITEMS

MAIN STREET OPERATIONS –ANNA W. OGG

Mrs. Ogg gave an update the HPC discussed rescheduling the monthly meetings to the second Tuesday of each month to accommodate members schedules. Also, the HPC is beginning the process of a modest expansion to HPDO to include Cleveland Street south of Carter Lane with Jeff Mills giving an overview of that process soon. The DDA signed and submitted the (MOU) Memorandum of Understanding to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. Main Street, Inc. is hosting a Summer event series on the fourth Friday of June, July, and August that will include business participation, live music, and more. Mrs. Ogg said we are continuing to work on the scatter garden plans and updating the website and advertisement with new branding. Further, Mrs. Ogg said she attended diversity training in LaGrange last week. Nothing further.

Councilman Greer asked if the music will only be Bluegrass for the fourth Friday events and Mrs. Ogg said there will be a variety of music [over the course of the series]. Nothing further.

PUBLIC SAFETY OPERATIONS– CHIEF JESSE PATTON

Chief Jesse Patton stepped forward and reviewed the monthly report and collections for May 2019. Total collections were \$88,725.41 with 21 investigations including eleven for Detective Shoemaker and ten for Detective Yarian. Chief Patton said Adolphus Foster was recently assigned to investigators position. Further, Chief Patton continued with an update on the Verizon Store robbery and said the suspect, 24-year old Antonio Banks was arrested and is being held without bond in Henry County jail. No one was injured; 92 phones were recovered, and the investigation continues. Chief Patton said officer Steven Pritchett has given his notice of resignation, and he will be furthering his career with the Henry County Sheriff's Department. Chief Patton said we will have eight of our officers working the July 4th event and each will be compensated by the vendor. Discussion took place about locations to be blocked off. Nothing further.

PUBLIC WORKS – JACK ROSE –

Public Works Director Jack Rose gave an update his department is continuing with general maintenance. Further, normal repairs for water leaks, and continuing with grass cutting and street maintenance. Nothing further.

ADMINISTRATION – TIM YOUNG

- **SPLOST V – Category Listing with suggested project listing** - City Manager Tim Young stepped forward and led discussion this listing has been refined and updated with suggested projects

reviewed. Mr. Young said this should cover all aspects of SPLOST collections to allow for various needs throughout the City. Mr. Young asked for any questions.

Councilman Greer asked about bike routes and sidewalks and mentioned the need for those additions on Peeksville and Grove Roads. Discussion took place about a Greenway system and implementing a plan. This could possibly be a transportation or CDBG project and discussion took place about time frame projects will begin. Nothing further.

Mr. Young continued with a reminder about the special called joint meeting on June 27, 2019 at 6:00PM at the Henry County Administration Building for review of the intergovernmental agreement.

Also, an update of street closing at Bowden for the July 4th event. Nothing further.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OPERATIONS – BERT FOSTER

Community Development Director Bert Foster gave an update his department has issued 893 permits in 2019 including 148 new single-family house permits and 153 COs. Building and land disturbance ongoing in various locations and new development activity in several subdivisions. The special event request that was approved for the Masonic Lodge yard sale has been rescheduled to July 13, 2019 due to rain. Further, Joan Cook started her position as Permit Coordinator on June 14th and she is doing well. Nothing further.

Mr. Foster continued with discussion on items for future action.

- **Resolution to accept application for annexation from Christine and Derek Law for annexation of 10.0 +/- acres located at 387 and 397 Colvin Drive** – Mr. Foster said this is for acceptance of application only for further review. The property is zoned RA (residential agricultural) and will remain so if incorporated into the City. Mr. Foster asked for any questions.

Councilman Greer asked why the applicant wants to have the property annexed into City and Mr. Foster replied he is not sure. Attorney Andy Welch said this is only to accept application to allow for further review. Discussion took place and nothing further.

- **Resolution to accept application for annexation from Robert and Donna Price for annexation of 1.18 acres located at 1206 Davis Lake Road** – Mr. Foster said this is for acceptance of application for annexation as well to allow for further review. This property is zoned RA (residential agricultural) and will remain so if incorporated into the City. Mr. Foster asked for any questions.

Councilman Greer asked why the applicant wants to have property annexed into the City. Mr. Young replied for reasons related to public safety [enforcement] and discussion took place about the homeowner's fence. Nothing further.

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD (ARB) –

2. **Architectural plans submitted for Havenwood Grove, a new senior apartment complex to be located along Indian Creek Road** – Mr. Foster said Paul Helfen, agent for Havenwood Grove, submitted a request for a proposed senior housing apartment complex. Mr. Foster said staff is recommending approval. Discussion took place about the design and covered canopy.

Councilman Boone asked if a mail [cluster box] is required and Mr. Foster replied he will confirm and give an update. Nothing further.

- 3. Architectural plans submitted for a new Waffle House to be located along Bill Gardner Parkway, west of the I-75 interchange** – Mr. Foster said this is on the Bandy tract, east of the LaQuinta Inn, and staff has no objections to the design submitted. Nothing further.

CITY MANAGER’S COMMENTS - NONE

MAYOR’S COMMENTS- NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Property Acquisition and Potential Litigation

Mayor Price asked for a motion to enter executive session. Councilman Greer made the motion with second by Councilman Boone. All in favor and motion carried. Council entered executive session at 6:56 PM.

Mayor Price asked for a motion to reconvene to regular session from executive session at 7:42 PM. Councilman Hammock made the motion with second by Councilman Greer. All in favor and motion carried.

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED-

Mayor Price asked for a motion to add item Joint Defense and Common Interest Agreement to the agenda. Councilman Greer made a motion to amend the agenda to add item.

RESULT	APPROVED ADD ITEM
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN GREER
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN HAMMOCK
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED - ALL IN FAVOR

ADD ITEM – JOINT DEFENSE AND COMMON INTEREST AGREEMENT

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Hammock made the motion to approve the agreement.

RESULT	APPROVED AGREEMENT
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN HAMMOCK
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN GREER
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

ADJOURNMENT-

Mayor Price asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Ashe made the motion to adjourn.

RESULT	ADOPTED
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN ASHE
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN BOONE
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED - ALL IN-FAVOR MEETING ADJOURNED @ 8:03 PM.

Notes taken by:

Misty Spurling, City Clerk

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