

**City of Locust Grove
Council Meeting Minutes
3640 Highway 42
Locust Grove, GA 30248
Monday, March 9, 2020
6:00 PM**

Members Present:	Staff Present:
Robert Price - Mayor	Tim Young – City Manager
Rod Shearouse – Councilman	Bert Foster – Assistant City Manager
Willie Taylor – Councilman	Misty Spurling – City Clerk
Randy Gardner – Councilman	Jennifer Adkins – Assistant City Clerk
Rudy Breedlove – Councilman	Daunte’ Gibbs- Community Development Director
Carlos Greer–Councilman/Mayor Pro Tem	Jack Rose – Public Works Director
Keith Boone – Councilman	Jesse Patton – Police Chief
	Warren Tillery – SWWW Attorney
	Staff Not Present:
	Anna Ogg – Main Street Director

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

Invocation given by Police Chief Jesse Patton

Councilman Shearouse led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA –

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Breedlove made the motion to approve the March 9, 2020 meeting agenda.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS –

- Presentation of services offered at Henry County Environmental Health – Glinda Scott** – Mrs. Glinda Scott stepped forward to give a presentation. Mrs. Scott is the Environmental Health County Manager and said she has served in Henry County for 32 years. Mrs. Scott said her office is a part of District 4 health services and includes twelve (12) Counties [Clayton County to be added in July]. Mrs. Scott said the mission of her office is to prevent disease and disability and to prepare for emergencies and disasters. Mrs. Scott reviewed departments within her office and responsibilities of each. Mrs. Scott said her office is very much involved and well trained with COVID-19 and provided packets with helpful information, including the help line. Further, Mrs. Scott said every individual [household] should have a disaster plan in place and information packets were provided with tips on how to implement a disaster plan. Nothing further.

PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS – NONE

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. FEBRUARY 10, 2020- REGULAR MEETING STATEMENT – NO QUORUM – ACCEPTANCE OF STATEMENT

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Taylor made the motion to approve the February 10, 2020 regular meeting statement – no quorum.

RESULT	APPROVED FEBRUARY 10, 2020 REGULAR MEETING STATEMENT
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN TAYLOR
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN GREER
FAVOR	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

2. FEBRUARY 24, 2020- WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES –

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Taylor made the motion to approve the February 24, 2020 workshop meeting minutes.

RESULT	APPROVED FEBRUARY 24, 2020 WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN TAYLOR
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN BOONE
FAVOR	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

3. FEBRUARY 24, 2020 – EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES –

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Breedlove made the motion to approve the February 24, 2020 executive session meeting minutes.

RESULT	APPROVED FEBRUARY 24, 2020 EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING MINUTES
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN BREEDLOVE
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN TAYLOR
FAVOR	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT – FY CLOSEOUT – NONE

UNFINISHED BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS –

4. Ordinance to approve a variance to reduce the front setback on Lot 128 in Grove Village residential subdivision –

Councilman Boone made a comment he feels like our inspector, Ronnie Glaze, should forfeit payment he received for this inspection since it was his error. City Manager Tim Young said the inspector’s agreement is based on a flat rate. Councilman Boone asked if the closing process on the home has taken place between the seller and buyer and Mr. Young made a comment the applicant is present to answer questions.

Mr. Keith Russell with Capshaw Development said the closing process has not taken place because the home is not ready. Councilman Boone made a comment about the PVC pipe sticking up in the driveway and Mr. Russell said when the home is complete the pipe will be capped and flush with the driveway. Nothing further.

Councilman Greer asked Mr. Russell if the sidewalks in Pristine Forest were complete and Mr. Russell replied yes. Nothing further.

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Taylor made the motion to approve the request by approving ordinance #20-03-019

RESULT	APPROVED ORDINANCE #20-03-019
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN TAYLOR
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN GARDNER
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED – FIVE IN FAVOR (GREER, TAYLOR, GARDNER, SHEAROUSE, BREEDLOVE AND ONE OPPOSED (BOONE)

5. Ordinance to amend the Code governing city park regulations to prohibit overnight parking –

Councilman Boone asked if a stipulation should be added for prohibiting tractor trailer parking. Mr. Foster said this amendment would only allow police to cite regular vehicles if parked after hours; however, does not preclude tractor trailers from parking. Mr. Young said we can add language to include prohibiting on commercial vehicles unless part of an authorized event. Discussion took place. Mr. Young suggested Council approving this section tonight and adding another section specific to commercial vehicles for approval at a future meeting. Council agreed with Mr. Young’s suggestion and nothing further.

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Breedlove made the motion to approve the request by approving ordinance #20-03-020.

RESULT	APPROVED ORDINANCE #20-03-020
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN BREEDLOVE
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN TAYLOR
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

6. Ordinance to amend the Code governing disorderly conduct to include theft of, damage to, and interference with public utility property as a misdemeanor –

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Shearouse made the motion to approve the request by approving ordinance #20-03-021.

RESULT	APPROVED ORDINANCE #20-03-021
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN SHEAROUSE
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN BOONE
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED – FIVE IN FAVOR (TAYLOR, GARDNER, SHEAROUSE, BREEDLOVE, BOONE) AND ONE OPPOSED (GREER)

Councilman Greer said he is still reviewing this item and thought that general statute on theft could be applicable; therefore, he was not ready to approve.

7. Ordinance to approve the 4th Quarter Budget amendment for FY 2019 –

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Gardner made the motion to approve the request by approving ordinance #20-03-022.

RESULT	APPROVED RESOLUTION #20-03-022
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN GARDNER
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN GREER
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

8. Special Event request for Tanger Outlet Food Truck Event on April 4, 2020 in the Tanger Outlet parking lot –

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Shearouse made the motion to approve the special event request

RESULT	APPROVED SPECIAL EVENT
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN SHEAROUSE
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN TAYLOR
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS –

9. Resolution to accept donation of conservation land (27 acres) formerly known as Jubilee, Phase III –

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Shearouse made the motion to approve the request by approving resolution #20-03-023.

RESULT	APPROVED RESOLUTION #20-03-023
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN SHEAROUSE
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN TAYLOR
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

10. Resolution by the City of Locust Grove to adopt an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City and Henry County for the provision of Election Services -

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Boone made the motion to approve the request by approving resolution #20-03-024.

RESULT	APPROVED RESOLUTION #20-03-024
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN BOONE
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN BREEDLOVE
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

CITY MANAGER’S COMMENTS –

City Manager Tim Young stepped forward and said we are in the final stage of inspections for the new breakroom/conference room and will be scheduling an open house soon. We have upgraded the AV (audio visual) in the courtroom and still in process of installation. We will have a pre-bid meeting on Thursday for the plans of the new Tanger Park. Nothing further.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS – NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION – LITIGATION AND PROPERTY ACQUISITION

Mayor Price asked for a motion to enter executive session. Councilman Boone made the motion with second by Councilman Gardner. All in favor and motion carried. Council entered executive session at 6:32 PM.

Discussion took place regarding litigation and property acquisition.

Mayor Price asked for a motion to reconvene to regular session from executive session at 6:57 PM. Councilman Greer made the motion with second by Councilman Boone. All in favor and motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT –

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

RESULT	APPROVED – ADJOURN MEETING
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN SHEAROUSE
2 ND MOTION	COUNCILMAN BOONE
FAVOR	MOTION CARRIED MEETING ADJOURNED @ 6:57 PM.

Notes taken by:

Misty Spurling, City Clerk