# CITY OF LIBERTY

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# MINUTES LIBERTY CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

May 11, 2020 – 6:00 PM Rosewood Center, 419 East Main Street

Present:

Mayor Brian Petersen

Council Member Josh Harrison Council Member Chuck Powell Council Member Erica Woods Council Member Brad Dover Council Member Chris Carroll Council Member Archie Newberry City Administrator Bruce Evilsizor

# Welcome and Call to Order (Mayor Petersen)

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Petersen at 6:03 pm.

#### Invocation

Council Member Josh Harrison provided the invocation.

#### Pledge of Allegiance

#### **Mayor's Announcements**

Mayor Petersen mentioned the gathering of brush is still in progress. The Main Street sewer and water lines have been completed. The paving on Main Street is only temporary until DOT repaves Highway 93.

# Public Session (Speakers are allowed 3 minutes)

#### **Approval of Minutes**

# 1. Special Called Session Minutes from March 23, 2020

**Motion:** Council Member Brad Dover moved to approve minutes; Council Member Josh Harrison seconded the motion (Council Member Chris Carroll recused due to absence). No Discussion. The motion passed 6-0

#### 2. Regular Session Minutes from March 9, 2020

**Motion:** Council Member Erica Woods moved to approve minutes; Council Member Brad Dover seconded the motion (Council Member Chris Carroll and

Council Member Archie Newberry recused due to absence). No Discussion. The motion passed 5-0

# First Reading of Ordinance 2020-03, Amend Section 23-31—Regulation of Noxious Weeds and Vegetation

**Motion:** Council Member Josh Harrison moved to approve first reading; Council Member Brad Dover seconded the motion. Council Member Chris Carroll requested to amend to 10-inch limit. No amendment, vote set on original motion of 8-inch limit. Some Discussion. The motion passed 6-1 with Council Member Carroll voting no

## Resolution 2020-03, Workplace Safety

**Motion:** Council Member Archie Newberry moved to approve resolution; Council Member Chris Carroll seconded the motion. Some Discussion. The motion passed 7-0

# Agreement Proposal for City's Visioning, Branding & Marketing Effort

Presented by Mayor Brian Petersen and City Administrator Bruce Evilsizor. **Motion:** Council Member Chris Carroll moved to approve proposal; Council Member Erica Woods seconded the motion. Some Discussion. The motion passed 7-0

# FY 20-21 General Fund Budget Discussion

City Administrator Bruce Evilsizor gave brief overview.

#### **Department Head Reports/Discussion**

Police Department—Chief Adam Gilstrap provided the monthly Police report Fire Department— Mayor Brian Petersen presented Fire Chief Chris Rowland's monthly Fire report

Public Works/Utility Department— Tim Moore provided the monthly Public Works and Utility report

Recreation Department—Austin Lynch provided the monthly Recreation report Building Official—Mayor Brian Petersen presented Scott McDaniel's monthly Building report

# **City Administrator Report (Bruce Evilsizor)**

Monthly Budget & Expense Report

Administrator's Report

Administrator Evilsizor provided the monthly budget report and the administrative report.

# **City Council Reports/Discussion**

Chris Carroll - No Report

Brad Dover – Inquired on cemetery mowing and US Waffle opening

Josh Harrison – No Report

Archie Newberry – Good to be back and thanked everyone for all their prayers

Chuck Powell – No Report

Erica Woods – Inquired about water leak on Lee St. and stressed the importance of branding and the upcoming visioning & branding effort to improve quality of life. Challenged the people of Liberty to get involved in helping make things better.

Mayor Brian Petersen reminded everyone of the upcoming budget meeting on Monday, May 18, 2020. Reminds public they can watch online and call in remotely to promote social distancing.

# **Motion to Adjourn:**

**MOTION**: Council Member Chris Carroll moved to adjourn; Council Member Chuck Powell seconded the motion. The motion passed 7-0 at 8:38 pm

Notes: (1) Agenda was posted at City Hall, website, Facebook and emailed to media on May 8, 2020; and (2) a quorum was present.

Approved as Written:
Vann Billion
Brian Petersen
Mayor, City of Liberty
Attested:
Bruce Evilsizor
Administrator, City of Liberty
7-13-2020
Date