CITY OF LIBERTY

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MINUTES LIBERTY CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION

June 8, 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 Chuck Powell provided the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor's Announcements

Mayor Petersen informed the City of the visioning team coming in the upcoming week and will be talking with business owners, community members and will issue a survey for citizens to take part in. Mentioned the RIA Grant awarded and will begin soon. Mentioned the CBDG grant for the pump station and they are applying for the other 3 pump stations to receive funding as well. Reminds the City of the upcoming 4 of July event.

Public Session (Speakers are allowed 3 minutes)

Sherry Harris – requested the City to reassign the American Legion Hut's ownership to the VA to be renovated into a nonprofit for Veterans who are homeless and to help veterans get on their feet. Requested to have the Veterans Day parade again in Liberty 11/8 at 3pm with a show to follow as it was this past year. In the past the county had sponsored the event and she will find out that information and get back with Mayor Petersen.

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

MOTION: Council Member Josh Harrison moved to approve; Council Member Erica Woods seconded the motion. Lengthy Discussion. The motion passed 4-3 with Council Members Brad Dover, Chris Carroll and Erica Woods voting no

FY 20-21 Budget Discussion

City Administrator Bruce Evilsizor and Mayor Petersen gave brief overview. Council Member Brad Dover requested the rate be lowered on commercial trash pickup from \$30 to \$22 per month after having time to think about the rate each business is being charged. Mayor Petersen recuses himself from vote due to conflict of him owning a business that would be affected by this outcome. **MOTION**: Council Member Brad Dover moved to lower rate; Council Member Erica Woods seconded the motion. Some Discussion. The motion passed 6-0

Department Head Reports/Discussion

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

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

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

City Administrator Report (Bruce Evilsizor)

Monthly Budget & Expense Report

Administrator's Report

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

City Council Reports/Discussion

Chris Carroll – requested a review regards to the wording and meaning of the noxious weed ordinance

Brad Dover - mentioned the upcoming I Love Liberty city clean up on 10/24

Josh Harrison – Thanked all the employees for their hard work and thanked City Council for theirs too.

Archie Newberry – mentioned he was glad to see that the small businesses in Liberty are opening back up and reminded all to patron these businesses to help support our community

Chuck Powell – mentioned not to forget celebrating Tony Boiter's retirement Erica Woods – requested that Liberty comes together and works together for the Love of Liberty

Motion to Adjourn:

MOTION: Council Member Brad Dover moved to adjourn; Council Member Chris Carroll seconded the motion. No Discussion. The motion passed 7-0 at 7:47 pm

Notes: (1) Agenda was posted at City Hall, website, Facebook and emailed to media on June 4, 2020; and (2) a quorum was present.

Approved as Written:

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Brian Petersen Mayor, City of Liberty

Attested:

Bruce Evilsizor Administrator, City of Liberty

7-13-2020

Date