



MINUTES
LIBERTY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
May 10, 2021 – 6:00 PM
Rosewood Center, 419 East Main Street

Present: Mayor Brian Petersen
Council Member Chuck Powell
Council Member Josh Harrison
Council Member Erica Woods
Council Member Archie Newberry
City Administrator Bruce Evilsizor

Absent: Council Member Chris Carroll

Welcome and Call to Order (Mayor Petersen)

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Brian Petersen at 6:04pm.

Invocation

Council Member Josh Harrison provided the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor's Announcements

Mayor Petersen read Council Member Brad Dover's resignation letter which was effective May 10, 2021. Mayor Petersen thanked the Liberty Festival & Events group and all the city crews that helped with the BBQ & Jeep Festival and he made a reminder that the 1st reading of the FY 21-22 budget will be June 14, 2021.

Recognition of Tony Boiter and His 17 Years of Service with the Liberty Recreation Department

Mayor Petersen and City Council recognized Tony Boiter for serving the youth in recreation sports for 17 years before he retired in 2020 (recognition was delayed due to Covid-19).

Public Session (Speakers are allowed 3 minutes)

No speakers

Approval of Regular Session Minutes – April 12, 2021

Motion: Council Member Josh Harrison moved to approve the minutes from the April 12, 2021 Regular Session; Council Member Erica Woods seconded the motion. No Discussion. The motion passed 4-0. Council Member Archie

Newberry abstained because he did not attend the April 12, 2021 Regular Session.

Second Reading of Ordinance 2021-01, First Set of Budget Amendments

Motion: Council Member Archie Newberry moved to approve the 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2021-01; Council Member Chuck Powell seconded the motion. No Discussion. The motion passed 5-0.

Second Reading of Ordinance 2021-02, General Bond Ordinance

Motion: Council Member Josh Harrison moved to approve the 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2021-02; Council Member Archie Newberry seconded the motion. No Discussion. The motion passed 5-0.

Second Reading of Ordinance 2021-03, First Supplemental Bond Ordinance for Water System Improvements (Radio Read Water Meters)

Motion: Council Member Erica Woods moved to approve the 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2021-03; Council Member Chuck Powell seconded the motion. No Discussion. The motion passed 5-0.

Second Reading of Ordinance 2021-4, Second Supplemental Bond Ordinance for Sewer System Improvements (Peachtree/Maplecroft Sewer)

Motion: Council Member Erica Woods moved to approve the 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2021-04; Council Member Archie Newberry seconded the motion. No Discussion. The motion passed 5-0.

Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget Discussion

There was plenty of discussion on the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget, mainly on the General Fund. There was interest in filling the Police Officer vacancy that was left vacant during the hard financial times several years ago and to fund the Appalachian Council of Governments to provide planning & zoning services if the budget allows. There was little interest in funding a private company to handle payroll and human resource activities.

Department Head Reports/Discussion

Police Department—Police Chief Adam Gilstrap provided the April police report.

Fire Department—No report.

Public Works/Utility Department—Public Works Director Tim Moore provided the April PW report.

Recreation Department—Mayor Petersen presented the April Recreation report from the Recreation Director Austin Lynch.

Building Official—Mayor Petersen presented the April building official report from CC&I.

City Administrator Report

City Administrator Bruce Evilsizor provided the April budget report and the Admin report.

City Council Reports/Discussion

Chris Carroll—Absent

Josh Harrison—No report

Archie Newberry—No report

Chuck Powell—Council Member Powell asked to contact the Department of Transportation again about the dirt runoff from the handicap curb ramps being upgraded.

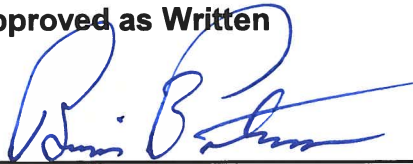
Erica Woods—No report

Motion to Adjourn

Motion: Council Member Harrison moved to adjourn; Council Member Woods seconded the motion. No Discussion. The motion passed 5-0 at 8:38 pm

Notes: (1) Agenda was posted at City Hall, website, Facebook and emailed to media on May 6, 2021; and (2) a quorum was present.

Approved as Written



Brian Petersen
Mayor, City of Liberty

Attested:



Bruce Evilsizor
Administrator, City of Liberty