



AGENDA
LIBERTY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
March 13th, 2023, at 6:30 PM
Rosewood Center, 419 East Main Street

Welcome and Call to Order Mayor Woods at 6:30 pm

Invocation giving by Councilmember Graybeal

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor's Announcements

- Liberty High School AA/Class A Wrestling team wins State Championship

Presentation:

Mr. Calvert gave ARPA Grant Report

Public Session (Speakers are allowed 3 minutes)-

One signed up but removed the day of March 13th at 3:13 pm

Approval of Minutes –

1. February 13th, 2023, Regular Session

Motion: Councilmember Graybeal, Second: Councilmember Massie, No Discussion, Vote: unanimous 7-0

Old Business:(2nd Readings)-

1. 2nd Reading of 2023-02- Rezoning Oak Lane Ordinance from 501 to 501(a)

Mrs. Locke explained that this ordinance was for rezoning from (501) medium-density residential to (501a) medium-density and duplex density.

Motion: Councilmember Whitaker, second: Councilmember Padgett, Councilmember Padgett asked how many duplexes were going on that property. Mayor Woods replied with one duplex. Vote: unanimous 7-0

2. 2nd Reading of 2023-03- Amending Language in Manufactured Home Ordinance

Mrs. Locke explained that this ordinance was for amending the language for what is allowed for the exterior siding of a manufactured home.

Motion: Councilmember Shoenleben, Second: Councilmember Whitaker, No discussion, Vote: Unanimous 7-0

3. 2nd Reading of 2023-04- City Seal

Motion: Councilmember Massie, second: Councilmember Powell, Councilmember Graybeal asked if the City Seal could be tabled for citizens to interact in a public hearing. Mr. Calvert stated that it could no longer be tabled because it had already been motioned and second. It should have been brought before the council before the 2nd reading motion. Mr. Calvert also stated that the City Seal is for internal documentation, not typically brought before citizens. Still, the brand was brought before the citizens before being voted on. The vote was then taken 5-2 Councilmember Powell, Councilmember Whitaker, Councilmember Shoenleben, and Mayor Erica Woods - in favor. Councilmember Massie and Councilmember Graybeal -opposed it.

New Business: (1st Readings & Resolutions)-

Department Head Reports/Discussion-

Police Department (Adam Gilstrap)- Councilmember Graybeal asked Chief Gilstrap about the staffing of SROs. The Chief commented that two are floating, and two go back and forth. The Chief stated that we have lost four guys and had three patrol officers taking turns patrolling 24-7.

Public Works/Utility Department (Tim Moore)

Recreation Department (Austin Lynch)

Community Development (Philip Trotter)

City Administrator Report-
Monthly Budget & Expense Report
Administrator's Report

City Council Reports/Discussion-

Robbie Shoenleben-No report

Daniel Graybeal-No report

Rhonda Whitaker-No report

Jeff Massie- We would like to look into changing the playground mulch to rubber compounds. Councilmember Massie stated that the mulch has started giving splinters to children who fall on it.

Chuck Powell- No Report

Lavant Padgett- No Report

Motion to Enter Executive Session Pertaining to-

Section 30-4-70 (a) (2) – “*Contractual, Real Estate and Legal Matters*” Discussion of negotiations incident to proposed contractual arrangements and proposed sale or purchase of property, the receipt of legal advice, or other matters covered by the attorney-client privilege.

Section 30-4-70 (a) (1) – “*Personnel Matters*” Discussion of employment, appointment, compensation, promotion, demotion, discipline, or release of an employee, a student, or a person regulated by a public body or the appointment of a person to a public body.

Possible action may be taken following the Executive Session.

Motion to Enter Executive Session: Councilmember Graybeal, second: Councilmember Powell, No Discussion, Vote: Unanimous 7-0

Legal Matter-

Legal Update regarding Building Codes

Personnel Matter-

City Administration

Motion to Adjourn Executive Session: Councilmember Powell, Second: Councilmember Padgett, No Discussion, Vote: Unanimous 7-0

No Action was taken on legal matters.

Motion for approval for proposed contract for City Administrator: Councilmember Shoenleben, Second: Councilmember Graybeal, Mayor Erica Woods expressed this was based on the discussion for change in executive session, Vote: 6-1 – Opposed Councilmember Massie.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Councilmember Graybeal, second: Councilmember Shoenleben, Chief Gilstrap, wanted to comment regarding his report. He stated that the turnover rate in his department is not solely Liberty and that this issue is nationwide. Vote: Unanimous 7-0

Date approved: April 10th 2023



Mayor, Erica Woods



Municipal Clerk, Bailee Locke