



City of Lake Helen

Volusia County, Florida

Mayor Buddy Snowden
Vice Mayor Vernon J. Burton
Commissioner Tom Wilson
Commissioner Michael Woods
Commissioner Jim Connell

Regular Meeting
Lake Helen City Commission
August 10, 2017
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Buddy Snowden called to order the August 10, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Lake Helen City Commission at 7:00 pm.

Present: Mayor Buddy Snowden Vice Mayor Vernon Burton
Commissioner Tom Wilson Commissioner Michael Woods
Commissioner Jim Connell City Clerk Becky Witte
City Attorney Scott Simpson City Administrator Jason Yarborough

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Buddy Snowden

LEGISLATIVE PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Led by Vice Mayor Vernon Burton

DELETIONS OR MODIFICATIONS TO AGENDA: None

COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Lake Helen Business Alliance Meeting update from President Ryan Wilkins.
Discussion with input from Lake Helen Business Alliance President Ryan Wilkins. The next Lake Helen Business Alliance Meeting is Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at 9:00am at Power Volleyball.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE COMMISSION:

ITEM 3a: Representative David Santiago

Mayor Buddy Snowden introduced **Representative David Santiago** who presented a legislative update with discussion from the City Commission and City Administrator.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The action proposed is stated for each item on the Consent Agenda in the Agenda Packet. Unless a City Commissioner removes an item from the Consent Agenda, no discussion on individual items will occur and a single motion will approve all items. The Mayor will ask if there is anyone in the audience who wishes to speak on any item on the Consent Agenda.

Item 4a: Approval of Minutes: July 13, 2017 (Regular Meeting), July 14, 2017 (Workshop)

Item 4b: Acceptance of Bills paid through July 31, 2017

Item 4c: Input for Gateway Corridor Historic Style Review for Commercial Building at 230 N. Summit Ave (Wilkins)

Item 4d: Input for Gateway Corridor Historic Style Review for Commercial Building at 219 W. Ohio Ave (Gas Plumbing Services) – pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion.



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Item 4e: Input for Gateway Corridor Historic Style Review for Barn at 452 Tangerine Ave (Lane)
Item 4f: Input for Gateway Corridor Historic Style Review for 491 E. Michigan Ave (Dave's Fence)

Public Comment:

Commissioner Jim Connell discussed a conversation with Ryan Wilkins applicant for Item 4c Ryan Wilkins.

MOTION by Commissioner Tom Wilson to approve the consent agenda Items 4a: Approval of Minutes: July 13, 2017 (Regular Meeting), July 14, 2017 (Workshop), Item 4b: Acceptance of Bills paid through July 31, 2017, 4c: Input for Gateway Corridor Historic Style Review for Commercial Building at 230 N. Summit Ave (Wilkins), 4e: Input for Gateway Corridor Historic Style Review for Barn at 452 Tangerine Ave (Lane), and 4f: Input for Gateway Corridor Historic Style Review for 491 E. Michigan Ave (Dave's Fence) as presented. **SECOND by Vice Mayor Vernon Burton.**

Commissioner Michael Woods complimented the quality of submittals for the Gateway Corridor Historic Applications.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item 4d: Input for Gateway Corridor Historic Style Review for Commercial Building at 219 W. Ohio Ave (Gas Plumbing Services)

Ann Robbins (Hobart Avenue) asked for clarification of the location of 219 W. Ohio Ave.

MOTION by Commissioner Michael Woods to approve Item 4d: Input for Gateway Corridor Historic Style Review for Commercial Building at 219 W. Ohio Ave (Gas Plumbing Services) as presented. **SECOND by Commissioner Jim Connell.**

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ITEM 5: MONTHLY REPORTS:

ITEM 5A: Planning and Land Development Regulation Commission: **Chairman Joe Hammett** recapped the July Meeting with the City Commission as well as Land Development Code Rewrite, Gateway Corridor, and Zoning. Commissioner Michael Woods discussed access and easement analysis during PLDRC review.

ITEM 5B: City Administrator/City Engineer: City Administrator Jason Yarborough discussed the Comprehensive Plan.

Discussion of the Comprehensive Plan with input from City Administrator Jason Yarborough and City Attorney Scott Simpson.

Commissioner Tom Wilson recommended inviting elected officials to the workshops.

Discussion of the FEMA reimbursement with input from City Administrator Jason Yarborough and Daisy Raisler (McKenzie Road).

Discussion of Safe Routes to Schools Grant with input from City Administrator Jason Yarborough and Commissioner Michael Woods.

ITEM 5C: City Attorney: **None**

ITEM 5D: Police Chief and Code Compliance: **None**



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ITEM 6: PUBLIC HEARINGS: None for this meeting.

ITEM 7: PUBLIC FORUM:

Olivia Cherry (S. Goodwin Street) discussed the Land Development ReWrite and allowing trucks on properties over 4 acres.

Ann Robbins (Hobart Avenue) regarding the Stress Buster 5k.

Karen Garyantes (Market in the Park) thanked the Commission and the City Administrator for improvements over the last month. She noted that Market in the Park has turned in \$9,092.

Mayor Snowden noted donation of a tree and need of a golf cart.

Item 8: COMMISSION CONSIDERATION:

Item 8a: Consideration of Bid for 165 W. Ohio Avenue (Public Works Building)

Discussion with input from City Administrator Jason Yarborough.

MOTION by **Commissioner Jim Connell** to accept the bid from Hopton Roofing for \$110,000 with \$3,000 moving expenses. Property will be Sold As Is / Where Is. No Financing Contingencies with closing costs, filing fees, etc to be paid by the bidder. The property will remain occupied by the City of Lake Helen for 12 months following acquisition of new owner. The Contract will come back to the City Commission for review before signed.

SECOND by **Commissioner Michael Woods**.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Item 8a: Consideration to authorize the expenditure of a new Public Works Facilities on Lemon Avenue and to waive the purchasing policy to allow the City Administrator to authorize expenditures.

Discussion with input from City Administrator Jason Yarborough, **Craig Wickham** (Lake Helen Villas) and **Ryan Wilkins** (Prevatt Ave).

ITEM 9: COMMISSION DISCUSSION:

Item 9a: Discussion of Animal Cruelty Resolution (2017-09)

Discussion

City Attorney Scott Simpson read the title of **RESOLUTION 2017-09: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAKE HELEN, VOLUSIA COUNTY, FLORIDA URGING MEMBERS OF THE STATE LEGISLATURE TO ADOPT LEGISLATION AMENDING CURRENT ANIMAL CRUELTY LAWS TO IMPOSE STRICTER, HARSHER PUNISHMENT AND PENALTIES FOR ACTS OF ANIMAL CRUELTY.**

MOTION by **Commissioner Tom Wilson** to adopt Resolution 2017-09. **SECOND** by **Commissioner Michael Woods**.

Discussion.

MOTION CARRIED 3-2 with Vice Mayor Vernon Burton and Mayor Buddy Snowden Voting NO.

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ITEM 10: MAYOR'S REPORT AND COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS BY ZONE

Commissioner Tom Wilson discussed a recent surgery and thanked the community for cards, well wishes and phone calls.

Vice Mayor Vernon Burton discussed the Massey James Backpack Giveaway, the Mt. Olive 125th anniversary and proclamation given. He requested a butterfly release during 9/11 ceremony as well as the African American Museum in Washington.

Commissioner Michael Woods discussed building activity and the quality of submittal. He discussed future plans with the corridor.

Commissioner Jim Connell discussed texting and driving regulations and a proposed resolution to send to Tallahassee. He discussed the Shuffleboard Court with input from Janice Driggers, Ann Robbins and Craig Wickham.

Mayor Buddy Snowden discussed Shoestring Theatre Open House on Saturday, September 30, 2017 and the upcoming Florida League of Cities Conference.

ITEM 11: ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Buddy Snowden adjourned of the August 10, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Lake Helen City Commission at 10:02pm.