



City of Lake Helen City Commission Budget Workshop Minutes

Mayor Daisy Raisler
Vice Mayor Vernon J. Burton
Commissioner Tom Wilson
Commissioner Rick Basso
Commissioner Jim Connell

*June 19, 2019 at 12:00pm
City Hall, First Floor Conference Room
327 S. Lakeview Drive, Lake Helen, Florida 32744*

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Daisy Raisler called the June 19, 2019 Budget Workshop meeting to order at 12:00pm.

CEREMONIAL MATTERS: Legislative Prayer and Pledge to the Flag led by Commissioner Tom Wilson

Roll Call: Mayor Daisy Raisler, Vice Mayor Vernon Burton, Commissioner Tom Wilson, Commissioner Jim Connell, City Administrator Becky Witte, Finance Director Zach Chalifour, Public Works Director Rick Mullen and VIA telecommunication - Commissioner Rick Basso

ITEM 1: ADDITIONS, DELETIONS AND MODIFICATIONS TO THE AGENDA

Addition: Waste Pro Presentation- Ken DeForest: Overview on Recycling, Packet and once a week collection, Market Information. Discussion with input from City Administrator Becky Witte and Waste Pro Representative Ken DeForest.

Consensus for the City Administrator to bring back option 3 to the Commission for consideration.

ITEM 2: COMMISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

ITEM 3: REVENUE DISCUSSION

Discussion with City Administrator Becky Witte and Greg Believue, LPG Urban & Regional Planners Inc regarding the economic health of Lake Helen with comparison to other communities, demographics, permits, AutoMall, Prevatt Avenue option of mixed use zoning.

ITEM 4: LAKE HELEN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Discussion with City Administrator Becky Witte and Zach Chalifour, James Moore & Co regarding optional Utility Tax, establishment of policies or targets for emergency fund, hurricane fund, Utility Fund reserve as well as loan options.

Input from Todd Preston who discussed ATM installed as a revenue source, Pilots (schools and churches Payments in leu of Taxes), as well as leasing city parcels.

ITEM 5: BUDGET WORKSHOP:

Discussion with City Administrator Becky Witte and Zach Chalifour, James Moore & Co regarding FY 2019/2020 Budget Workshop. Discussed the millage rate, taxes, legal budget, proposals for fire assessments, selling property on W Main Street, COLA vs Merit, Special Events budget.

Events Coordinator Kelly Frasca discussed requesting a leave of absence during her campaign for Zone 1 City Commissioner as well as the credit card machine for City Events.

ITEM 6: PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Todd Preston discuseed salaries with COLA attached that are unfilled as well as the millage rate. Kelly Frasca discussed the Stressbuster 5k. Joe Hammett

ITEM 7: COMMISSION DISCUSSION

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Daisy Raisler adjourned the June 19, 2019 Budget Workshop at 4:04pm.