



Locust City Council Meeting Minutes

Joel Huneycutt Community Room

7:00 PM

February 9, 2023

Mayor
Council Members

Mayor Steve Huber
Mayor Pro-Tem Larry Baucom, Mandy
Watson, Roger Hypes, Harry Fletcher, Mike
Haigler, Barry Sims, and Rusty Efird

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 7:01pm

2. Presentation of Colors, Prayer

Mayor Huber led the Pledge of Allegiance and Council Member Roger Hypes gave the invocation.

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom (6-0)
Motion to excuse Council Member Mandy Watson

3. Adopt Agenda

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Roger Hypes (6-0)
Motion to adopt agenda as presented

4. Minutes - adopt January 12, 2023

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom (6-0)
Motion to approve January 2023 Minutes

January 12, 2023

5. Financial Reports

Both the General Fund and the Wastewater funds revenues continue to exceed expenditures. Sales tax distributions and the ABC store distributions continue to be strong.

Financial Summary - January 2023

6. Mayor's Report

Mayor Huber read the proclamation celebrating February as Black History Month. Officer Ryan Tran-Thompson was awarded and presented with his Advanced Law Enforcement certificate. The 2022 Chief Steven "Smitty" Smith Officer of the year was awarded to Detective Sergeant Brittany Tucker.

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Roger Hypes (6-0)
Motion to adopt Proclamation to celebrate February as Black History Month

Proclamation: Black History Month

Presentation of Advanced Law Enforcement Certificate to Officer Ryan Tran-Thompson

Presentation of 2022 Chief Steven "Smitty" Smith Officer of the Year Award

7. Administrator's Report

Purchase orders and budget amendments were reviewed. City Administrator Cesar Correa reminded Council that this year's budget retreat was to be held on Saturday, March 11th beginning at 7:30am. He also gave an update on where the City was at in the 2023-2024 budget process and that he and Finance Director Stephania Morton met with department heads earlier in the week and had good discussions on the needs of the departments. Department Heads Timothy Flieger, with Public Works, and Scott Efird, with Planning and Zoning, gave a brief 2022 year in review and also gave their presentations and requests for the 2023-2024 budget year.

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom (6-0)
Motion to approve purchase orders

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom (6-0)
Motion to approve budget amendments

FY 2023-2024 Budget Update

FY 23-24 Budget Presentation: Department of Public Works

FY 23-24 Budget Presentation: Planning & Zoning Department

Purchase Orders

Budget Amendments

8. Administration/HR

Council Member Harry Fletcher had nothing at this time

9. Parks

Continue to work on the Parks Master Plan. An event planned for April 23rd in the Backyard at City Hall called Spring Alive. It will be from 2-7pm.

10. Facilities

Council Member Barry Sims had nothing to report at this time.

11. Public Works

Great job and thank you to the entire department on all their hard work. A resolution was presented to adopt the roads in the new subdivision, Morgan Meadows, containing 2 roads, a pump station and street lights.

M/S/A Council Members Larry Baucom and Harry Fletcher (6-0)

Motion to adopt resolution to accept and take over Sunflower Dr and Wildflower Dr in Morgan Meadows

Monthly Wastewater Flow Tracking

Resolution for Acceptance for O&M - Morgan Meadows subdivision

12. ABC, Economic Development & Small Business Support

The ABC store continues to have steady business. 2022 was a great year with several new businesses coming into the City.

13. Public Safety

Council Member Roger Hypes gave an overview of the January statistics for the department. Co-Officers of the Month for the month of January were Officer Robert Godek and Officer Timmy Hartsell. Thank you to the entire department for their continued hard work and dedication to keeping the City safe.

January 2023 Statistics

Officer of the Month for January 2023

14. Planning & Zoning

Council Member Michael Haigler thanked Planning and Zoning Director, Scott Efird and his staff for all of their hard work.

Monthly Report

15. Public Comment Period:

Bishop Rowland Jordan introduced himself and spoke to Council about showing love to everyone and seeing if one day Locust can have a road named after Dr. Martin Luther King.

16. Board Closing Comments

Great presentations. Proud of the police department and all the officers. Growth has been good and looking forward to what is coming in 2023. Thank you to all who came out this evening. Thank you to Bishop Jordan for coming out and sharing with us. Proud of the City. Good to see Asst. Public Work Director Chris McLain. Thankful to entire Council.

17. Adjourn

M/S/A Council Members Larry Baucom and Harry Fletcher (6-0)
Motion to adjourn at 8:23pm

Amy Furr, City Clerk

Stephen Huber, Mayor