



Locust City Council Meeting Minutes

Joel Huneycutt Community Room

7:00 PM

March 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

Mayor Huber called the meeting to order at 7:00pm

2. Presentation of Colors, Prayer

Mayor Huber led in the Pledge of Allegiance and Mario gave the invocation

3. Adopt Agenda

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Roger Hypes (7-0)
Motion to adopt agenda as presented

4. Minutes - adopt February 9, 2023

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom (7-0)
Motion to adopt February 9, 2023 minutes

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5. Financial Reports

Revenues continue to exceed expenditures in both the general fund and wastewater fund.

Financial Summary - February 2023

6. Mayor's Report

Mayor Huber opened the floor up to Chief Jeff Shew, who introduced the 2 new cadets in BLET; Timothy Flieger, JR and Caleb Whitley.

Introduction: LPD Cadets (Tim Flieger Jr and Caleb Whitley)

7. Administrator's Report

Purchase orders and budget amendments were reviewed.

Chief of Police Jeff Shew gave a review of the 2022/2023 budget year and gave his presentation for the upcoming 2023/2024 budget year goals and needs of the department.

Parks and Recreation Director Emily Jones also gave a review of the parks' 2022/2023 budget year and gave her presentation for the upcoming 2023/2024 budget year and her goals and needs of the department.

Reminder that budget retreat is this Saturday beginning at 7:30am

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom (7-0)
Motion to approve purchase orders

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Motion to approve budget amendments

Budget Presentation - Chief Shew - Locust PD

Budget Presentation - Emily Jones, Parks & Recreation Director

Purchase Orders

Budget Amendments

8. Administration/HR

9. Parks

Please make sure you complete the community survey. Great presentation by Parks Director Emily Jones. Excited about pickleball

Master Plan Update - Community Survey

10. Facilities

11. Public Works

Paving has begun. Bulk goods pick-up will be Saturday March 18th. Please register with Waste Pro.

Wastewater Flow Tracking

12. ABC, Economic Development & Small Business Support

13. Public Safety

Great presentation by Chief Shew. February Officers of the month are Officer Timmy Hartsell and Officer Ryan Tran-Thompson. Please make sure you reach out to Detective Brittany Tucker and congratulate her on her award. Cadet program will be successful and commend the Council for supporting that program.

LPD Summary - February 2023

14. Planning & Zoning

21 new housing permits since January. ModWash is underway and James Avenue extension is well underway.

Monthly Report

15. Public Comment Period:

Glenn Mabry thanked the Council for their service, Pledge and prayer at the start of the meeting. He also spoke about supporting a senior center in Locust. He gave an overview of the programs offered and the growing number of participants and interest in the programming offered at the center. They have outgrown the space. He also gave the history of how the West Stanly Senior Center and Community Foundation got started.

Heath Efird introduced himself and his daughters and gave a brief overview of their business that they are looking at opening S&S Esthetics.

16. Board Closing Comments

Glad to see a full house at the meeting tonight. Thank you to Mr. Mabry for his presentation for support of the senior center and great presentation by Chief Shew and Parks Director Emily Jones. Thanks to Mario for the great invocation. Thank you to Chris Miller from the SNAP for coming out and reporting on the happenings. Excited to see what new business that Heath Efird is presenting next month.

17. Adjourn

M/S/A Council Members Harry Fletcher and Larry Baucom (7-0)
Motion to adjourn at 8:31pm

Amy Furr, City Clerk

Stephen Huber, Mayor