



**City of Lake View  
Work Session Meeting Minutes**

October 14, 2021

5:30 p.m.

Lake View Municipal Complex

The City Council of Lake View met in a regularly scheduled work session on Thursday, October 14, 2021 in the City Hall located at 22757 Central Park Drive, Lake View, AL 35111.

**I. Call to order and roll call:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 pm by Mayor Adrain Dudley. Those also present were:

- Council member Ben Hudson
- Council member Doug Beaulieu
- Council member Dan Celmer
- Council member Cheryl Ivey
- Council member Kelly Rolan
- Mayor Adrain Dudley

**II. Consent Agenda Items:**

**A. Agenda Item #1:** Read minutes from previous meeting with stated corrections.

**B. Agenda item #2:** Reading and review of the following bills

- AssistedLiving.org emailed Mayor Dudley. It is a resource that could be linked to the City Website to assist residents with finding this type of information.
- Police CPR Training \$90 for 2 Police Officers
- PARA Membership for employees \$490.50 for 6 Police/Clerks

- Alabama Surplus Property Division \$250.00
- Galls: \$71.51 for Police Chief's attire
- Axon \$2639.82 for Tasers
- ESS \$96.40 for background checks
- DJ's \$40 for emergency gas fill-up
- Visa \$452.06 for supplies and postage

**III. Additional Items Discussed:**


Progress of Building Repairs: Mayor Dudley stated that most of the building repairs from the water damage have been completed including ceiling and wall repairs as well new carpeting in the Police Office and connecting stairway. The one item left to complete is one light in the kitchen that will not turn off but that will be repaired in the week of October 18<sup>th</sup>.

**IV. Next meeting:**

The next regularly scheduled Work Session Meeting will be held Thursday, November 11, 2021 at 5:30 pm at City Hall.


**V. Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Dudley and seconded by Council member Rolen. The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 pm.



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Adrain Dudley PhD, Mayor



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Lisa Bates, City Clerk





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Council Meeting Minutes**

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6:30 p.m.

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**Mission:** To promote ethical and responsive municipal government which provides its citizenry with high-quality municipal services in an efficient and cost-effective manner.

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Mayor Dudley.
- II. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The invocation was led by Police Clerk, Pam Kirsch
- III. **ROLL CALL:** Those present were Mayor Dudley and Council members Doug Beaulieu, Ben Hudson, Dan Celmer, Cheryl Ivey, and Kelly Rolan.
- IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion made by Mayor Dudley to approve the agenda for the evening. Council member Hudson seconded the motion. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.**
- V. **APPROVAL OF WORK SESSION AND COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES:** Motion made by Mayor Dudley to approve the minutes from the work session and Council meeting from September 9, 2021. The motion was seconded by Council member Rolan. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.**
- VI. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Motion made by Mayor Dudley to approve the consent agenda. Council member Hudson seconded the motion. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.**
  - A. **The following bills were approved to be paid:**
    - Police CPR Training \$90 for 2 Police Officers
    - Alabama Surplus Property Division \$250.00
    - Galls: \$71.51 for Police Chief's attire
    - Axon \$2639.82 for Tasers
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- VII. **DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS**
  - A. **Building Inspector:** Mr. Pickle noted that FY2021 (finalized) the Building Dept generated \$150K in permit and reinspection fees for the city. Paving for Downing Park will begin in the next few weeks. Approximately 240 homes being setup for the new neighborhoods of Dillon and Phase II Olmsted. Updated group on new construction entrance off Tannehill Parkway.
  - B. **Police Department:** Chief Edmunds reported the stats for the month of September 2021:
    - 2 arrests for warrants

- 491 assists and contacts
- 47 calls from the corporate limits
- 17 calls from the police jurisdiction
- 12 calls outside the police jurisdiction
- 1 call to Petro
- 31 case numbers pulled
- 1 domestic violence calls
- 1 drug arrest
- 6 false alarms
- 4 felony cases
- 16 incident/offense reports taken
- 3665 miles driven.
- 14 outside agency assists.
- 2 traffic accidents
- 55 traffic citations
- 90 traffic stops
- 61 warrants checked.
- 1 arrest with outside agency using Canine Jax
- 70 warrants served

**B1.** Chief Edmunds Introduced new Officers Lauren Jones and Cadet Officers Harvey and Farlow who will start attending the Police Academy in January 2022.

**B2:** Police Equipment: Police Clerk distributed detailed lists of equipment that needed to be purchased.

**B3:** Shredder Unit Needed and information was distributed for Council Member review for a monthly shredder system and suggested the monthly on-site shredder service.

**B4: RESOLUTION 1011202101:** Motion made by Mayor Dudley to enter a training agreement with employees selected to attend the Police Academy. Council Member Hudson seconded the motion. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.**

**C. Magistrate:** Magistrate Catherine Johnson reported the following stats for September 2021:

- 75 court summonses mailed on October 8<sup>th</sup>.
- The online municipal court payment portal Five Points Payments collected \$1098
- 59 in person payments totaling \$9016
- 3 bonds in the amount of \$1500
- 55 citations written for the month of September

**D. Municipal Clerk:** Mayor Dudley reported the following stats for FY 2021:

- Starting balance of General Fund for FY2021 was \$548,196.56
- Ending balance was \$773,766.76

## **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

### **A. ORDINANCE 1011202102 SUNDAY LIQUOR SALES IN CITY LIMITS:**

Mayor Dudley made motion to accept this Ordinance as written. Seconded by Council Member Rolen. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.**

**B. Health Insurance for Town Employees:** Mayor Dudley urged each Council Member to bring forth Health Insurance Plan suggestions for presentation to the employees with an eye to cost mitigation for a high-cost endeavor towards employee recruitment and retention.

**C. Retirement:** Council Member is looking at traditional retirement plans as well as Long-term Disability (LTD) and Short-term disability (STD) versus ability to afford it in coming years from the City's perspective. The main thing that the City wants to ensure is portability and ease of moving your retirement funds as the employee career progresses.

**D. Lawn Ants:** Mayor Dudley presented 2 quotes for ant control services in consideration for removal of ants in the lawn surrounding City Hall in advance of Veteran's Day Observance and Lake View Day in early to mid-November. Both quotes were discussed.

**D1.** Council Member Ivey made motion to engage J and D Lawn to treat for ants. Seconded by Council Member Rolon. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.**

**E. Change of Council Workshop and Council Meeting Schedule for 2022:** Will need an amendment to Council Procedures. The 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month will be a Work Session at 6 p.m. and the 4th Thursday of the month will be a Council Meeting at 6 pm.

**F. Partnership with Alabama 1 Credit Union:** Mayor Dudley discussed how the city and the credit union could form more permanent collaboration. City Attorney noted that a savings or investment accounts might be appropriate with an executed Resolution. A motion was made by Mayor Dudley that a city savings account that is not connected to any direct deposits to be moved from First US Bank to Alabama One Credit Union. Second was offered by Council Member Beaulieu. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.**

**G. ARPA funds:** Reporting has been pushed back to April 2022. Training will take place in early November in Montgomery provided by the ALM.

**H. Safe Room:** Mayor Dudley noted that in order to complete a saferoom and use a low interest loan from USDA requirements would include the use of an architect and an environmental engineer and identify the specific location for the 300-person safe room. Total Cost estimate is \$1.5 million.

**H1.** Motion made by Mayor Dudley to utilize the space behind city hall where the gazebo currently stands to place the 300-person safe room. Seconded by Council Member Ivey. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.**

**H2.** Motion made by Mayor Dudley to seek an architect with the intent to engage them for rendering drawings for 300-person safe room. Seconded by Council Member Hudson. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council**

**I. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Building Inspector:** Motion made by Mayor Dudley to seek out a qualified Building Inspector and make offer pay within the pay parameters that are currently in the Building Inspector budget. Seconded by Council Member Celmer. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.**

**B. City Clerk:** Motion made by Mayor Dudley to remove Mr. Cortez Rice from the banking accounts. This will require documentation from the city that this has been addressed. This will need to go to the bank. Seconded by Council Member Rolon. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council**

**J. COMMITTEES AND BOARDS OF THE COUNCIL**

**A. Budget and Finance Committee:** Council Member Hudson noted that ARPA fund meeting continue. Will start meeting again soon.

**B. Board of Adjustments:** No meetings scheduled at this time.

**C. Planning & Zoning:** Rosalyn Dudley reported that the members of Planning and Zoning are taking a 3-day training for Alabama Certified Planning and Zoning Program with a certification award after training that is good for 24 months. Also, in process of discussion for the comprehensive plan for the city.

**D. GUSC:** No update.

**E. Police Relations:** Council Member Celmer noted that meeting has yielded suggestions for using Tik Tok to reach different demographics and allow the canine Jax be the star of the show for safety tips and generational outreach. Next month will talk more about animal control issues. Tik Tok account, if approved, will be under the control of the Police Department. Celmer also thanked numerous individuals for assisting with cleaning out the cart barn.

**F. Horizons:** Council Member Rolen noted that Food Trucks will soon be posted at City Hall. The group is working for a Farmers Market beginning in April 2022. Looking at Bus map/routes and covered areas for children which is complex project. Working on drawings and contractors for changes to the Police Room in City Hall; removal of porch and removal of the upper deck.

**K. TEAM MEMBER COMMENT(S):**

**A. Chief Edmonds:** made comments in support of health and retirement plans for all employees.

**B. Ms. Kirsch:** made comments thanking some council members for assistance in police office. Added her support for retirement and health insurance for employees. Noted that there is no health insurance for any employees at this time.

**C. Ms. Johnson:** no comments currently.

**D. Mr. Pickle:** made comments supporting the health and retirement for employees.

**L. PUBLIC COMMENT(S)**

**A.** Resident Mr. Johnson asked about the plans with the sewer provider. Mayor Dudley explained no plans at present based on prior legal issues outside of the city. Be patient.

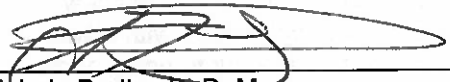
**B.** Resident Lisa Bates stated that some Food Trucks are finding it difficult to find the portion about the City Business Licensure on the website.

**C.** Resident Jan Dickey Smith offered support to the members of the current council with respect to moving the city along diligently based on where they started (ground zero). Is proud that the Safe Room project is underway and is proud that health insurance and retirement plans are being reviewed.

## **M. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

- A. Doug Beaulieu:** Thanked George Pickle for his work and wished him well in his new endeavors. Reported happiness with fully staffed police department; happy with clean, newly carpeted area in the police room; thanked Mr. Celmer for his work to bring some shelves from the Tuscaloosa Police Department. Mr. Celmer personally rented a U-Haul to bring the shelving to City Hall.
- B. Dan Celmer:** stated he likes to be of help in low profile way. Stated happiness with the dead Tahoe's being removed from the front of the Municipal Complex. Happy that cart barn is cleaned out. Praised Ms. Kirsch for her organizational skills. Hoping for more community relations.
- C. Ben Hudson:** noted that health and retirement is a need for city employees; website updates are in progress including food truck calendar and links for the business licenses. Motion made by Council Member Hudson to set contract with Shredding Provider for monthly, on-site shredding. Seconded by Council Member Beaulieu. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.**
- Motion made by Council Member Hudson to increase the base amount of group Life Insurance from base of \$10k to \$25K. Seconded by Council Member Celmer. **The motion passed by a unanimous vote of the Council.**
- D. Cheryl Ivey:** Motion to send Mayor Dudley to the ALM Educational Conference on November 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> to include the cost of the educational offering; an overnight stay at the conference hotel and appropriate per diem plus taxes as needed for both days of the trip. Seconded by Council Member Rolen. **Council Members Beaulieu, Celmer, Hudson, Ivey and Rolen voted yes; Mayor Dudley abstained. The motion passed.** Also noted the need for insurance and retirement but also including a comprehensive review of the pay levels of employees. Ivey volunteered to do a salary comparison between and among other municipalities. Noted need for more information re: budge support for these expenditures. When and where can a budget discussion be set to what fits? Last issue is animal control. Mayor Dudley stated that animal control is a police issue. And we may have to work with Jefferson County instead of Tuscaloosa County due to proximity.
- E. Kelly Rolen:** States happiness with turnout. States that he learns everyday about things affecting running the city and take effort to be prudent and use due diligence to make it right for everyone.
- F. Mayor Dudley:** reviewed the Veterans Day Meeting to be held at City Hall on November 11 from 0800-1200. VA Coordinator and others to help veterans will be present. Also noted the Lake View Day celebration on November 13<sup>th</sup> from 1000-1400 hrs. Pointed out training for Council Members. See Mayor Dudley for training. Also, drivers training classes (20) purchased in bulk for the court. More drivers' classes can be purchased when these are used up.
- N. Next regularly scheduled meeting will be November 11, 2021. Work Session will begin at 5:30 p.m. and Council meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m.**
- O. Adjournment: at 8:37 p.m.**

**ATTEST:**

  
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Adrain Dudley PhD, Mayor

  
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Lisa Bates, City Clerk

