



**COUNCIL MEETING
4040 SOUTH BERKELEY LAKE ROAD
BERKELEY LAKE, GEORGIA 30096
FULL MINUTES
OCTOBER 21, 2021**

ATTENDANCE

Mayor: Lois Salter

Council Members: Scott Lee, Chip McDaniel, and Bob Smith

City Officials: Leigh Threadgill - City Administrator, Richard Carothers – Attorney, Lila Hunter – Assistant to the City Administrator

Members of the Public: 1

Members of the Press: 0

WORK SESSION

The mayor and council reviewed the meeting agenda and materials with staff.

CALL TO ORDER

Salter called the meeting to order at 8:05PM. A quorum of council members was in attendance.

AGENDA

Smith made a motion to accept the agenda. Lee seconded the motion. All council members were in favor and the motion passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Salter noted the following as items on the consent agenda and solicited a motion:

- a) Minutes of August 19, 2021 Council Meeting
- b) Financial Reports for July 2021, Unaudited
- c) Financial Reports for August 2021, Unaudited
- d) Amendment to Fee Schedule – Addition of Photovoltaic Cell (Solar) Permit Fees

McDaniel made a motion to approve all items on the consent agenda. Lee seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business to discuss.

NEW BUSINESS

- a) O-21-240 – Amendment to Chapter 34-19, Insurance License Fees

Threadgill: O-21-240 is an amendment to the flat fee that state law allows cities to charge insurers conducting business in the city. With the city population now exceeding 2,000 based on the 2020 census, the City can charge \$40, versus the current \$25 rate, beginning January 1, 2022.

Lee made a motion to place O-21-240, an ordinance to amend Chapter 34-19, Insurance License Fees, to repeal conflicting ordinances, to provide for an effective date and for other purposes, on first read. Smith seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

- b) O-21-241 – Proposed Budget for 2022

Threadgill: O-21-241 is the proposed budget for 2022. The measure as presented anticipates no increase in the real property tax millage rate for 2022 over the rollback rate for 2021. The measure is presented for first read consideration.

Smith made a motion to place O-21-241, an ordinance to establish the budget for the year 2022, to repeal conflicting ordinances, to provide for an effective date and for other purposes, on first read and to schedule a public hearing on the matter for Thursday, November 18th at 8:00 PM. McDaniel seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

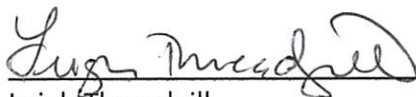
PUBLIC COMMENTS

Matt Yarborough, 4778 Pacetree Lane in Acworth, Georgia congratulated the council members-elect and shared that Congresswoman Boudeaux is working on a Gwinnett Municipal Summit to talk about ARPA funds and other potential grants that will be available. He also offered support regarding Treasury guidance related to ARPA.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, McDaniel moved to adjourn. Lee seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion passed.

Salter adjourned the meeting at 8:12 PM.



Leigh Threadgill
City Clerk

