

**City of Locust Grove  
Council Meeting Minutes  
Public Safety Building – Courtroom Chamber  
3640 Highway 42 S. – Locust Grove, GA 30248  
Monday, October 4, 2021  
6:00 PM**

<b>Members Present:</b>	<b>Staff Present:</b>
Robert Price – Mayor	Tim Young – City Manager
Carlos Greer – Councilman	Bert Foster – Assistant City Manager
Willie Taylor – Councilman	Misty Spurling – City Clerk
Vincent Williams – Councilman	Jennifer Adkins – Assistant City Clerk
Rod Shearouse – Councilman	Daunte’ Gibbs – Community Development Director
Rudy Breedlove – Councilman	Jack Rose – Public Works Director
Keith Boone – Councilman	Derrick Austin - Police Chief
	Warren Tillery – SWWW Attorney
	<b>Staff not Present:</b>
	Andy Welch – City Attorney

Mayor Price called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

Invocation given by City Manager Tim Young

Councilman Taylor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** –

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Williams made the motion to approve the October 4, 2021 meeting agenda.

RESULT	APPROVED AGENDA
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN WILLIAMS
2 <sup>ND</sup> MOTION	COUNCILMAN TAYLOR
VOTE	MOTION CARRIED - ALL IN FAVOR

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** – NONE

**PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS** – NONE

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** –

**1. SEPTEMBER 7, 2021- REGULAR MEETING MINUTES** –

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Greer made the motion to approve the September 7, 2021, regular meeting minutes.

RESULT	APPROVED SEPTEMBER 7, 2021 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN GREER
2 <sup>ND</sup> MOTION	COUNCILMAN BREEDLOVE
FAVOR	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

**2. SEPTEMBER 20, 2021- WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES –**

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Greer made the motion to approve the September 20, 2021 workshop meeting minutes.

RESULT	APPROVED SEPTEMBER 20, 2021 WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN GREER
2 <sup>ND</sup> MOTION	COUNCILMAN SHEAROUSE
FAVOR	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT –**

**3. SEPTEMBER 2021 FINANCIAL STATEMENT –**

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Williams made the motion to approve the September 2021 Financial Statement.

RESULT	APPROVED SEPTEMBER 2021 FINANCIAL STATEMENT
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN WILLIAMS
2 <sup>ND</sup> MOTION	COUNCILMAN GREER
FAVOR	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS –**

**4. Resolution approving the architectural plans submitted by Kajima Associates, Inc. for the Locust Grove Spec building, located at 2855 Highway 42 South – Industrial/Logistics facility -**

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Shearouse made the motion to approve the request by approving resolution **#21-10-068**

RESULT	APPROVED RESOLUTION #21-10-068
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN SHEAROUSE
2 <sup>ND</sup> MOTION	COUNCILMAN TAYLOR
FAVOR	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

**5. Ordinance to amend the City of Locust Grove personnel policy No. 701 “The Pay Plan” for approval of new salary schedule for addition of Fire Marshal position –**

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Shearouse made the motion to approve the request by approving ordinance **#21-10-069**.

RESULT	APPROVED ORDINANCE #21-10-069
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN SHEAROUSE
2 <sup>ND</sup> MOTION	COUNCILMAN BREEDLOVE
FAVOR	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

**6. Ordinance to amend the City of Locust Grove personnel policy No. 701 “The Pay Plan”, to activate the Mechanic position, and for certain new progression positions into the PayScale –**

Mayor Price asked for a motion. Councilman Shearouse made the motion to approve the request by approving ordinance **#21-10-070**.

RESULT	APPROVED ORDINANCE #21-10-070
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN SHEAROUSE
2 <sup>ND</sup> MOTION	COUNCILMAN WILLIAMS
FAVOR	MOTION CARRIED – ALL IN FAVOR

**NEW BUSINESS/ACTION ITEMS – NONE**

**CITY MANAGER’S COMMENTS –**

- **FY 2022 Budget Highlight –**

Mr. Young said we received the City’s final audit statement and will have a presentation from the auditors on October 18, 2021. Our financial position has improved and in line with the prior year. Mr. Young said he forwarded an electronic copy to Council and the hard bound copies will arrive soon for distribution.

Mr. Young gave an update the bulk of the budget are from uses in the Public Safety Building and a combination of Public Works, Administration, Community Development, and a portion from Parks. We are 4.4 percent below our budget this year and discussion took place.

Councilman Greer asked why such a high budget for elected officials? Mr. Young said this amount includes salaries, training, conferences, computers, and other needs. Discussion took place. Mr. Young reviewed other areas of changes and said a more detailed version will be presented soon. Mr. Young asked Councilman Greer if he is asking for the elected official’s budget be reduced and Councilman Greer replied, no, the amount just seemed higher this year. Nothing further.

- **Annexation objection from Henry County BOC and HCWA**

Mr. Young said we will need to enter executive session for discussion.

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS – NONE**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION – LITIGATION AND PROPERTY ACQUISITION**

Mayor Price asked for a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of litigation and property acquisition. Councilman Boone made the motion with second by Councilman Greer. All in favor and motion carried. Council entered executive session at 6:15 PM.

Mayor Price asked for a motion to reconvene to regular session from executive session at 7:51 PM. Councilman Greer made the motion with second by Councilman Breedlove. All in favor and motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT** –

Mayor Price asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilman Shearouse made the motion to adjourn.

RESULT	APPROVED – ADJOURN MEETING
MADE MOTION	COUNCILMAN SHEAROUSE
2 <sup>ND</sup> MOTION	COUNCILMAN BREEDLOVE
FAVOR	MOTION CARRIED MEETING ADJOURNED @ 7:52 PM.

Notes taken by:

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Misty Spurling, City Clerk