

City of Live Oak
Special Called City Council Meeting Minutes
September 26, 2023

The Live Oak City Council met Tuesday, September 26, 2023, at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall, located at 101 SE White Ave., Live Oak, Florida 32064 for a Special Called Meeting. The following officials were present: Mayor Frank Davis, Councilmember Matt Campbell, Councilmember Tommie Jefferson, Council President David Burch, Councilmember Lynda Brown-Owens, Councilmember Tesie Allen, City Clerk John Gill, & City Manager Larry Sessions, and Mr. Stephen Mencer for Todd Kennon City Attorney.

Council President Burch called the meeting to order.

Mayor Frank Davis led the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Council President Burch turned the floor over to City Manager Larry Sessions for discussion with possible council action on the final reading of Ordinance 1496, an ordinance adopting the City of Live Oak millage rate for the levy of Ad Valorem taxes for FY 2023-04. City Clerk John Gill read the title into the record. Council President Burch opened the floor for public comment. None heard, Council President closed public comments. Councilmember Campbell made a motion to approve final reading of Ordinance 1496, which Councilmember Owens seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Council President Burch moved on to the next agenda item, discussion with possible council action final reading of Ordinance 1497 an ordinance adopting the City of Live Oak operating budget for FY 2023-24. Mr. Gill read the title into the record. Council President Burch opened the floor for public comment. None heard, Council President closed public comments. Councilmember Jefferson made a motion to adopt the first reading of Ordinance 1497, which Councilmember Allen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Council President Burch then opened the floor for public comment.

Allen Renn spoke regarding FEMA External Affairs.

Brian Delacruz spoke regarding FEMA assistance.

Laura Dhuwe spoke regarding Hazard Mitigation.

Council President Burch closed public comments.

Council President Burch turned the floor over to Mayor Frank Davis for discussion with possible council action, Resolution 2023-18, a resolution appointing a commissioner to serve in Seat#5 of the Live Oak Housing Authority Board for a 4-year term which expires September 30, 2027. Mayor Davis recommended Robintina Reed. Councilmember Jefferson made a motion to appoint Mrs. Reed to Seat#5 for the Live Oak Housing Authority Board, which Councilmember Campbell seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Council President Burch proceeded to the next agenda item and turned the floor over to City Manager Larry Session for discussion with possible council action, Resolution 2023-20, a resolution adopting a revised uniform classification and pay plan schedule. Councilmember Campbell made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-20, which Councilmember Jefferson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sessions proceeded to discussion with possible council action, Resolution 2023-21, a resolution authoring the execution of a grant agreement with the State of Florida DEP providing for the acceptance of a grant award of up to \$304,000 in reimbursable cost associated with the construction of a new 12-inch water main to complete a loop in the existing water system. Councilmember Jefferson made a motion to approve Resolution 2023-21, which Councilmember Allen seconded. The motion called unanimously.

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Mr. Sessions proceeded to discussion with possible council action Resolution 2023-22, a resolution of the City Council extending the local State of Emergency for the City of Live Oak Pursuant to section 252.38 (2) Florida statutes, due to the threat of Hurricane Idalia providing for waiver of procedures and formalities delegating authority an effective date. Councilmember Campbell made a motion to accept Resolution 2023-22, which Councilmember Jefferson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Sessions proceeded to discussion with possible council action authorization to participate in Low Income Household Water Assistance Program. Finance Director Joanne Luther spoke and explained the details of the program. Councilmember Campbell made a motion to participate in Low Income Household Water Assistance Program contingent upon Mrs. Luther's further investigation on the program's details, which Councilmember Jefferson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Councilmember David Burch
City Council President

Attest:

Mr. John Gill
City Clerk