

City of Live Oak  
City Council Meeting  
July 9, 2019

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The Live Oak City Council met Tuesday, July 9, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall located at 101 SE White Ave., Live Oak, Florida 32064. The following officials were present: Mayor Frank Davis, Councilmember Robintina Reed, Councilmember David Burch, Councilmember Mark Stewart, Councilmember Don Allen, Attorney Fred Koberlein Jr., City Manager Ron Williams, and City Clerk John Gill. Absent from meeting was Council President Bennie Thomas.

Council Pro-tem David Burch called the meeting to order.

Mr. George Curtis then led the invocation, which was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Council Pro-tem Burch then presented the agenda for additions, deletions, or changes. City Manager Ron Williams asked that agenda item 6-E regarding Ordinance No. 1433 be removed from the agenda due to Council President Thomas absent. Councilmember Allen moved to approve the agenda with the removal of 6-E, which Councilmember Reed seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The floor was then opened to public comment. The following individuals then addressed council with their topic of discussion:

Fred Martin: New Police Chief.

Wendy Martin: New Police Chief.

Anita Williams: Traffic Miller/Railroad Ave.

Tim Wiggins: Retention Pond

Council Pro-tem Burch proceeded to the next item regarding the approval of the June 11, 2019 City Council Meeting minutes. Councilmember Stewart moved to approve the minutes as presented, which Councilmember Allen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Council Pro-tem Burch then turned the floor over to Mayor Davis who proceeded with the annual election of City Council officers. Mayor Davis opened the floor for nominations for council president. Mayor Davis called for ballots to be casted for the nominees and then read aloud by the City Clerk who announced the results: Councilmember Stewart received 2 votes, Councilmember Burch received 1 vote, and Councilmember Thomas received 1 vote. Councilmember Stewart received the majority vote electing him as the new Council President.

Mayor Davis then proceeded with the nomination for Council Pro-tem, Mayor Davis opened the floor for nominations for Council Pro-tem. Mayor Davis asked the Council to submit their votes and Mr. Gill announced the results: Councilmember Thomas received 1 vote and Councilmember Allen received 3 votes. Councilmember Allen received the majority vote electing him as the new Council Pro-tem.

Mayor Davis then proceeded to other matters with the recognition of Public Works Director Andy Townsend for receiving the Florida Natural Gas Association Operator Person of The Year Award.

Mayor Davis also recognized Gabrielle Redfern CRA Director for her outstanding work on this year Freedom Festival and also the work of the City Police Department.

Council Pro-tem Burch then turned the floor over to Councilmember Stewart who addressed Resolution 19-10, a resolution amending the rules and policies governing public comment. Councilmember Stewart asked that City Attorney Fred Koberlein present Resolution 19-10. Mr. Koberlein explained the resolution and how public speaking will be addressed and the time limit the public speaker will have.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 2019-10**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK, FLORIDA  
AMENDING THE RULES AND POLICIES GOVERNING PUBLIC COMMENT; AND  
PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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Councilmember Stewart moved to approve Resolution No. 2019-10, which Councilmember Allen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Pro-tem Burch then turned the floor over to City Manager Ron Williams who at this time discussed setting a proposed maximum millage rate for the 2019-2020 fiscal year budget. Mr. Williams asked Finance Director Joann Luther to tell the Council the millage rate that is proposed. Ms. Luther stated that the proposed millage rate for 2019-2020 is 9.1771 the same as last years. Councilmember Stewart moved to approve the millage rate of 9.1771, which Councilmember Allen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Williams then proceeded to the next item on the agenda, of setting the date, time and location for the Tentative and Final Budget Hearings. Mr. Williams requested that a special called meeting be scheduled for July 23, 2019 at 5:15 pm in City Hall Council Chambers to set the dates for these hearings once the County's dates are known. Councilmember Stewart moved to approve special called council meeting for July 23, 2019 at 5:15 pm, which Councilmember Allen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Williams then proceeded to the next item on the agenda, Resolution No. 19-11, a resolution adopting a Title IV Plan and Standard FDOT Title IV Assurances in compliance with Federal Funding requirements.

**RESOLUTION NO.: 2019-011**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LIVE OAK FLORIDA, ADOPTING A NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY PURSUANT TO TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964, AND THE CIVIL RIGHTS RESTORATION ACT OF 1987, AND THE FLORIDA CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1962; ADOPTING FURTHER ASSURANCES TO THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 9 OF ORDER 1050.2A, OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Councilmember Stewart moved to pass Resolution No.: 2019-011, which Councilmember Allen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Williams then proceeded to the next item on the agenda, recommendation of award- front-load garbage truck lease. Mr. Williams explained that the City will pay a monthly payment of \$5,832.36 for 13 months and we will return the garbage truck on the 13<sup>th</sup> month, making the total \$ 75, 820.68. After discussion, Councilmember Stewart moved to approve the award of the front-load garbage truck lease in the amount of \$75, 820.68, which Councilmember Allen seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Williams then informed the Council that after discussion with Mr. Koberlein, he had graciously agreed to serve as CRA Board attorney until one could be appointed.

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

Councilmember David Burch  
City Council Pro-tem

Attest:  
Mr. John Gill  
City Clerk