

MINUTES

Lowell City Council

Regular Meeting

Tuesday, March 8, 2022, 6:00 P.M.

I. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Sandy Railey

Mayor Railey called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m. Those attending in-person were Mayor Pro-Temp Travis Smith, Councilmembers Phil Bonham, Candy Funderburk, Thomas Gillespie, and Joanna Fulbright. City staff included City Manager Scott Attaway, City Attorney John Russell Jr, Interim Police Chief and Captain Carl Moore, Sergeant Jeff Harrison, Finance Director, Lisa Nolen, Public Works Director, Thomas Shrewsbury, and City Clerk Cheryl Ramsey. Parks and Recreation Director Cristy Cummings attended via online. A quorum was determined at the beginning of the meeting. The meeting was teleconferenced to the public and the agenda and meeting materials were made available on the city's website. Members of the public were also present.

II. INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Gillespie gave the invocation and led everyone in the pledge of allegiance.

III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING

Before the motion was initiated, Mr. Attaway informed members of the three items added to agenda: 8G, 8H, and 8I (highlighted below). Councilmember Candy Funderburk made a motion to accept the agenda with the added items, seconded by Councilmember Thomas Gillespie. The vote was unanimously in favor.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- A. Levi Adgate of 701 S Church St, Lowell, NC discussed the NorthPoint Development issues and how it has affected his family. He is trying to understand why they want to buy his property as he has not heard from Michael (NorthPoint) nor the organization since February 9th. He would like to get the ball rolling in the right direction and more conversation with Michael from the agency.
- B. Kay and Joe Kasey are realtors representing neighbors on Church St regarding Gateway 85. One of their clients was contacted about purchasing their property and this is how they got involved in the NorthPoint project. They have had trouble getting definite answers regarding a road going through properties or not. She had also met with Michael (NorthPoint) in February about the plans and they were going fine but now they (NorthPoint) seem to have changed their plans without notifying the residents. The residents have put in offers on homes and discussed numbers for their current homes. They let Michael know and was told he would get back with them. Residents have been waiting weeks for a response and are not understanding the delay in buying the homes noted in the initial plan. She doesn't want the plans to hurt the neighbors and them being stuck in homes with a new roundabout on their street with 18 wheelers lined up going by

with children and a school nearby if the firm goes north. She is requesting the council help these people.

- C. Don Elliott of 702 S Church St stated he was approached by Michael over a year ago regarding buying his property, the need to build a road on their end of the project to commute from 85 and along Kenworthy and that four houses were involved. No discussions were made for quite some time and then Michael got back to them one day when he was not at home. They are trying to make a lateral move to keep the lifestyle they currently have in looking for a new home. Negotiations were made with the last offer being close to his initial offer with Michael. They know Northpoint needs this and he is not trying to make a lot of money and have looked at a lot of homes. He said he spoke to Michael a couple weeks ago and was told he had to speak to his associates by the end of the week. He has yet to hear from him even after multiple attempts. He has now heard there have been at least two properties north of their property that are under contract with NorthPoint which exceed the amounts that was offered to him. They just want a clear answer on what the plan is and he is still interested in selling his property. He does not want to live in an area with noise, trucks, lighting etc. if they move north and believes the citizens of Church Street will be very unhappy when this all happens.
- D. Joe Kasey was allowed to speak again by Mayor Railey. He stated that the last statement made when representatives of the project met at Levi's (Adgate) home was if there is going to be a road and there is always the option of eminent domain and his hand pounded on the table in Levi's home. He considered that a threat and do not think that is appropriate. He is asking for protection of these people as they are feeling overwhelmed and overpowered.
- E. Heather Ward 711 S Church St, Lowell, NC was approached by Spencer with (inaudible) and was told they would like her to be out by June 6th. She thought that was quick and asked to have a year but they re-emphasized the 6th. She then started the process of looking for a house with Kay Kasey, getting approved and so forth. They sent her an offer and she counter offered on February 18th. She has not heard anything since. She doesn't want this project near her home and just wants an answer so they can move forward. Was hoping to come here tonight to get more direction on the project.

There were no other speakers and Councilmember Candy Funderburk mentioned to the public that this will be on the agenda later if they wanted to stay. Attorney John Russell explained to the public the protocol of the council in that they are not allowed to dialogue with the public during this time and more about the public being allowed to speak their peace.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes from Council Meeting held February 8, 2022 (p. 1-7)

Councilmember Funderburk made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 8, 2022 Council meeting, seconded by Councilmember Gillespie. The vote was unanimously in favor.

VI. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

- A. Presentation and Adoption of the 2021-2022 Lowell Parks and Recreation Master Plan – presented by Michael Kanters. He gave some of the recommendations for the development. They included:
1. Future land acquisition to provide connectivity
 2. Revitalize Harold Rankin park – 5.86 acres of development land and 4.09 acres of property adjacent to the park to come up with different renditions for the maximum usage 26:27
 3. Revitalize Bob Bolick park – barrier needed between the park and railroad line as there is currently no barrier; updated bathroom facilities (particularly when holding events).
 4. Community indoor recreation center with space (multi-generational)
 5. (Matt Carusona continued the presentation) Finance Park and Rec improvements – renew land ordinance
 6. Lack of Full-time staff as the city continues to grow
 7. Enhancing support and recreation program for teens and adults to deter people from going out of town for these benefits.

Councilmember Funderburk thanked them for speaking but was under the impression that they were going to be providing a map of what is going to happen. Mr. Carusona stated that this is a needs assessment plan and how you can grow in the next 5-10 years. Land use is done by another larger firm. They did ask in the survey to list where actions should be focused on and a map was provided for viewers to refer to. They thanked Cristy Cummings, Parks and Recreation Director for helping them. Motion was made by Councilmember Gillespie to adopt the presentation of the 2021-2022 Lowell Parks and Recreation Master Plan. It was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Smith. The motion was passed 4 out of 5 with one dissenting vote from Councilmember Funderburk.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Public Hearing for consideration of Zoning Text Amendment for Article 12, Section 12.10 (p. 8-9). Mayor Railey asked for a motion to go into public hearing. Councilmember Funderburk made the motion to go into the public hearing, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Smith. The vote was unanimously in favor. Scott Attaway presented the amendment to the LDO regarding RV's and commercial vehicles parked in front yard/driveways. Under the prior UDO, these types of vehicles had to be parked in the rear of the house. The changes proposed are that they are not to be forward any 25ft behind the front line of the house. They could still be parked in the side yard and could be parked from that point to the rear of the home. This is the way the amendment was written and how the Planning Board recommended approval of it.

Councilmember Funderburk asked if there were a lot of complaints [from citizens]. Mr. Attaway said they came in spurts, particularly in 2019. The new ordinance allows them to park in the front area for a period of time of 30 days, instead of 90 days. Councilmember Funderburk agreed but noted that sometimes we need to do a case-by-case basis. She mentioned she knows of a citizen of Lowell that is renovating his RV for dialysis. She stated they had a special driveway built to house; however, in order to adhere to the rules and moved it to the side of the home. They plan on moving from the property altogether in six months but in the meantime during the renovation he is need of the RV where it is. She is hoping council would consider keeping the time to 90 days instead of changing to 30 days. Mr. Attaway stated that the point of the timeline is when it is occupied. She said the citizen will not occupy it but will be going in and out but would not adhere

to the rules in terms of its location. Mr. Attaway stated he didn't mean to misinform but the amendment refers to occupying the RV not parking it. Its currently 90 days but not more than twice per year. The proposal was 30 days but not more than twice per year as occupied. He stated that if council agreed on researching medical reasons, they can table this to do so. Councilmember Bonham asked if this was really an issue stating that if you are in and out of the dwelling then you are not occupying it and therefore does not see the issue as long as it's set back. Councilmember Funderburk explained that the citizen's RV is not set back which is the question. Mr. Attaway said if the issue is not the setback then that would be a separate issue and council would need to rethink the proposal. He also stated that the City does not have the manpower to drive around looking for RV's and this is only on a complaint basis for enforcement. This text amendment was brought up in the case of a complaint in the future.

Councilmember Funderburk suggested maybe the topic needs to be tabled to look further into medical reasons. Councilmember Fulbright said she drove around and noted on Riverview the lots are slanted on one side and a resident may have an air conditioner or wooded areas that would impede them from getting their RVs or boats to their backyards on the other side. She wanted to understand what the fairness was for people using their money to purchase these types of things. She asked if there was an ordinance related to this or similar to having multiple vehicles in their yards. Mr. Attaway stated there is a junk vehicle ordinance. She asked if the City could do something similar to that instead of telling people they can't put the RV in a particular place where you could be fined if you don't follow. Mr. Attaway said some HOAs have in their by-laws that you can't have them. He also mentioned that a number of storage units have been built around Gaston County. He said that was the original reason why this section was in any zoning ordinance with the UDO adoption in 2007. As it stands right now, the way the ordinance reads is that "they shall not be parked or stored on the street in residential districts...an RV license can be occupied and remain that way on a lot for up to 90 days, twice a year. He stated if council is satisfied with that, he is fine with not amending the text of the LDO. If Council thinks that still needs to be changed then the public hearing can be kept open and addressed again in April. Councilmember Bonham suggested to keep it open for more research. Mayor Pro Tem Smith made a motion to table it to the April 12th meeting at 6pm, Councilmember Gillespie seconded it. The vote was unanimously in favor.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Appointment of Council Delegate to GCLMPO Board (p. 10) – Mr. Attaway presented. Due to resignation of Councilmember Ken Ervin, it leaves a void for the primary delegate. Councilmember Funderburk is the current alternate member. He is requesting a motion to appoint someone to serve as primary and alternate delegate. Councilmember Bonham made the motion for Councilmember Funderburk to be the primary delegate for the GCLMPO Board. Councilmember Gillespie seconded. The vote was unanimously in favor. Mayor Pro Tem then volunteered to be the alternate. Councilmember Gillespie made the motion for Mayor Pro Tem Smith to be the alternate delegate to the GCLMPO Board, seconded by Councilmember Funderburk. The vote was unanimously in favor.
- A. Consideration of Appointment to the Lowell Community Committee (p. 11-15) – Mr. Attaway presented. A re-appointment application was received from Heather Seay. Her term is currently

up now and requires a reappointment. Mayor Pro Tem Smith made a motion to approve Heather Seay for another term, seconded by Councilmember Funderburk. The vote was unanimously in favor.

- B. Set Public Hearing for Rezoning Case # RZ22-01 Regarding Parcel ID #'s 202167, 202166, 135144, 210660, 136564, and 202774 from Zoning Districts of SFR-2 and SFR-3 to the Gateway 85 Project (p.16-21) – Councilmember Bonham made a motion to set the public hearing, with Mayor Pro Tem Smith seconding. Attorney John Russell suggested holding off the set public hearing vote to allow Mr. Attaway to do a brief introduction to explain the background. Mr. Attaway stated that Pulte Development has submitted a request to go from the 2 and 3 zoning classifications to the conditional zoning district of SFR 4. Included is Attachment A that shows the latest versions of the site layout and email updates from Pulte. The application will be under review with the Planning Board who is meeting the first Tuesday of April, the week prior to the public hearing he is asking to be set tonight. Councilmember Funderburk asked if they had to have a reason to come back to request a rezoning? Mr. Attaway asked if she was referring to the exemption for not having to wait four months? She said yes. Mr. Attaway said that was done a month ago. Councilmember Funderburk said it was approved but he never stated the reason. Mr. Attaway said because they were applying for conditional zoning. Councilmember Funderburk then stated they were never given a site map and asked if that is the reasoning? She wanted to see something showing what it looks like with the SFR 2's and 3's instead of the SFR4's. Mr. Attaway said he doesn't think we can require them to submit a site plan for SFR two or three. Councilmember Funderburk said that is what it was originally zoned for and why did they even show us anything. Mr. Attaway said he doesn't think they were interested in trying to get under those zoning districts which is why they have come to the City for rezoning.

Councilmember Gillespie asked if this is the motion that Councilmember Funderburk made when the conservatory group wanted to go to SF2? Mr. Attaway said this is the same development but there are multiple tracks of land. He said the flexibility in asking for a 4 (the numbers mean per acre where you can build this number of units-4 units per acre) on 290 acres is 1160 lots which will not happen due to all the flooding in the area. That site plan has 490 residentials on it which came down from 575 where we saw some preliminary flood plans from them. He assumes the deletions of about 85 units are coming from the eastern side of Lowell Spencer Mountain Rd.

Councilmember Funderburk asked if he had any idea of when they will be starting that road, build new schools? She said the way it is already laid out, it will impact traffic and the schools. She asked if we have any idea of when DOT will start? Mr. Attaway stated the area is currently SFR3 and they are asking for more density, but they are not actually going to build 1100 homes. SFR3 right now would be 3x290 acres so that is roughly 600 houses by-right. They are asking for the flexibility of a 4 because the footprint and some of the setback constraints in certain areas so they can put more density in less pockets of the development. This allows better buildable areas to make the project work for them. Councilmember Gillespie said it went from a 2 to 4 and it seems like they are only wanting to make money. He also wondered why they are not here to discuss it. Mr. Attaway said they are asking for less homes than last time. They went down from 575 to 490.

Councilmember Funderburk did calculations for 490 homes for potential 2.5 kids in home and the number of cars that will be on the road. She is concerned about the cars and the traffic. She knows

we can't tell them they can't build but thinks the developer has the responsibility to get in touch with DOT and the schools before they even start. Councilmember Fulbright asked if the area they are talking about is buildable space? Can they go back and build it up after we say everything is fine. Mr. Attaway said no because conditions are set and the developer and City have to agree. We can't control much on North Main Street because it is a DOT maintained road. DOT requires the developer to perform a traffic impact analysis. What Lowell can do is entertain some conditions. Mr. Russell then elaborated on conditional zoning that Councilmember Fulbright asked about. Councilmember Funderburk asked if the Catawba Conservatory will be here or has spoken to the developer? Mr. Attaway did not know.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith asked if DOT has contacted the Gaston County school board? Mr. Attaway said he and members of council have contacted them and they have their own boards. Councilmember Funderburk then encouraged everyone to email or call your school board members of what is coming because someone she contacted had no clue. She stated if we stick together, maybe we can get something. She said you can't build a school after the development is built because they have to plan. Mr. Attaway said he talked to the School Board and let them know that using a US Housing calculator, we are going to produce about 380 children off of all of the developments in Lowell because it's based off the bedroom count etc. and that prompted a 'thank you' from the School Board. Since then, the Gaston County has formed a group where all the Planners from all cities meet monthly to offer up submitted projects to stay in the loop. Councilmember Bonham said that we have to keep a pulse of what's going on.

Mr. Russell then said this is the time to make the motion to set the public hearing up. Councilmember Bonham made a motion to set the public hearing up for April 12 at 6pm. It was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Smith and unanimously in favor by the group.

A short recess of five minutes was requested at 7:14 and motioned by Councilmember Bonham and seconded by Councilmember Funderburk. The vote was unanimously in favor. The meeting resumed at 7:19 pm.

- C. Update and Discussion of Aberdeen Extension and S. Main Street connection as it relates to the Gateway 85 project (p. 22-23). Mr. Attaway presented with the background. He stated it has been several months of discussions with the developer of Gaston County NCDOT and there have been multiple alignments proposed but no set in stone final alignment yet. He stated he has a call regarding this matter Thursday of this week. He also explained the map on page 23. He then opened the floor for questions to him or Attorney John Russell. Councilmember Funderburk discussed her issues with the project. She started with stating "we can't tell them they can't come but the integrity of Michael Johnston and Jordan Quinn in how they approached these citizens is unacceptable in my opinion." She said one person was almost threatened with someone telling them they would take their house even when eminent domain is against the law in North Carolina and that is unacceptable to her. She then referred to one of the couples in the audience and how they were approached by the developers to buy their house. She stated that NorthPoint has not gotten back to the residents regarding their homes and does not believe they know what they are doing. She mentioned how she was appointed to the GCLMPO and talked to Randi Gates about

two weeks ago. She stated Ms. Gates is the Director and didn't know anything about this road. She stated this project would tear Lowell up and that the situation has upset her.

Councilmember Gillespie asked Mr. Attaway if a representative from NorthPoint was supposed to be here tonight? He stated that they said they were going to come. Caleb Moore then spoke up to say he was here. Mr. Attaway introduced him to the Council. Councilmember Gillespie asked if they could clear up some of this stuff. Mayor Railey asked if Mr. Moore would like to speak and he stated he would.

Caleb Moore, Regional VP for NorthPoint Development and works with Michael Johnston in the Southeast began with an apology for the mishandling of the situation with all of this and the poor communication. He said they try to set themselves apart and treat people fairly, but they acknowledged they missed the mark. In speaking to the project, he stated "the original plan was described correctly in that it wasn't connecting over, but due to the constraints with the fire department and secondary access and to be perfectly candid, and some marketability for our site, they are pursuing the secondary access. Obviously with tenants like these and having two points of access to interstates is big stuff. He stated from their prospective the hardest part is that it's always a dance with residential properties takedown, negotiating purchase prices, compliance with DOT, and the Fire Department. He said when NorthPoint originally reached out to Levi there was one routing of the road, then negotiations on the purchase price took place and at that point we were not able to get to the asking price. At that point they determined that there were other options they could explore. He apologized again and stated then tenants should have been kept in the loop the entire time and a huge mistake on their part. He then added "with that said when we went through and with claims that we are purchasing other properties at the same price, well that is not entirely true. That all works in conjunction. When we negotiate purchase prices, we are careful not to go into a contract unless we are willing to move forward with it. We've looked at the different options. We still do not know the right solution is. It's a dance with DOT making sure what we are proposing and what works for them and is approvable. I think DOT has the residents in mind. We're looking at how to design this intersection from a perspective of public safety and making sure we design it in a way that works." He then offered Council to ask questions of him and pledged to make the residents and council more aware of what is going on.

Councilmember Funderburk (using a map to illustrate) asked "have they thought about building closer to 85 by the Sonic on the other side and go down like an access road and a roundabout by Lynn St. that would come up to a third building?" Mr. Moore was not familiar with that particular map but, Mr. Attaway said he mentioned that option to NCDOT and they didn't like it because you have to deal with a federal highway. Mr. Warren said he didn't know about a roundabout. Councilmember Funderburk then said it was told to her that a roundabout was coming near Cobb Street and asked Mr. Moore about it and he said it is not. She asked if he signed a contract with any citizen on S Church St. about buying their homes? Mr. Moore said they have. He did not want to tell who. She stated if homes are being bought at S. Church and Cobb St, then it would indicate that they do have plans to go right through there. She disagreed to that thought because of the vicinity of that road to Holbrook and tearing up the property down through there.

Councilmember Funderburk then asked Mr. Moore if it is a two lane or four lane road? Mr. Moore said two lanes. She asked how S. Church is going to cross it with Holbrook traffic being so busy. Mr. Attaway stated that DOT has required the developers to do a traffic analysis. Any findings would have to be addressed. Mr. Moore stated that the project is completely conceptual at this point. Nothing has been approved or permitted. He also mentioned that they are only under contract with the homeowners, and have not closed. Councilmember Funderburk then asked where is the proposed street going? Mr. Moore said the intent is to come into Church St then connect to Cobb and tie into Kenworthy.

Councilmember Fulbright asked if the idea of speaking with residents is to see what area agrees to the lowest amount and that is where the development will be, leaving other residents on hold after already agreeing to sell? Mr. Moore stated some aspects are true but to clarify, some were never under contract and there has not been an agreed upon purchase price. He again apologized for the lack of communication. Mr. Moore stated that engineers are involved with thoughtfully designed plans and must meet DOT criteria. They also look at ways to help the community in landscaping and plan on donating land for a park. They try to be thoughtful and considerate. She said she heard from a reliable source that they are pushing hard on Lowell because if they don't get this project done first, Gastonia won't sign off. He said that is not true and if this doesn't happen, they will still have a secondary access to Lineberger. Councilmember Funderburk disputed that idea and stated traffic issues especially when a wreck happens on 85. She said she would have never voted for this had she known about this road. Councilmember Fulbright asked if there will be a ramp off of I-85? Mr. Attaway said it is an illustrated conceptual plan based on the master plan for Lowell. NorthPoint was included because the project had already started. The consultants working with the City looked to see how you could best use the property to potentially add to the plan.

Mayor Pro Temp Smith asked Mr. Moore about the miscommunication and how that will be addressed with the members of the community effected and those in attendance. Mr. Moore said that at this point they are probably looking at another route and shifting the road 100 ft. Councilmember Funderburk mentioned the traffic issues again and alternatives to use Lynn St. He stated that they will be doing traffic studies at the whole area affected in the surrounding areas and will provide copies of some of the results to council. He will talk to the engineers about Lynn St possibilities.

- D. Budget Amendment #2 (p.24-25). Mr. Attaway said a motion needs to be received for the Police Department Grant. Mayor Pro Temp Smith made the motion to approve the Budget Amendment #2, seconded by Councilmember Bonham. The vote was unanimously in favor.
- E. Discussion of April 6 City Council Work Session (p.26). Mr. Attaway said the meeting is needed and asked members to check their calendars. The meeting was ultimately changed to Friday, April 8th at 3pm. Councilmember Funderburk made a motion to amend the council work session budget calendar from April 6th to the 8th, seconded by Councilmember Fulbright. The vote was unanimously in favor.
- F. Approval of Accounting Technician Position. Mr. Attaway explained the need for the new position and asked council to look over the attached job description. This job would be primarily cross-trained with Sue Lowe and serve as accounting back-up for Lisa Nolen and back up with payroll duties. He asked if a motion is made please note the amount of the pay. Mayor Pro Temp

Smith made the motion to approve the Accounting Tech position at a pay grade of 10, seconded by Councilmember Funderburk. The vote was unanimously in favor.

- G. Consideration of Grant Project Ordinance for ARPA Funds – Mr. Attaway presented. He asked all project items to be left out of this particular motion. This will need to be allocated by July 2024 and spent by December 31, 2026. The city has some unassigned funds so council will need to do other amendments in the future. Councilmember Bonham made the motion to approve the Grant Project Ordinance for the City of Lowell American Rescue Plan Act 2021: Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery funds as outlined. It was seconded by Councilmember Funderburk. The vote was unanimously in favor.
- H. Budget Amendment #3 – Mr. Attaway presented. Moving ARPA revenues to the General Fund Revenue by \$85,000 then moved administrative salaries for the supplanting (noted above) for this existing fiscal year. Councilmember Funderburk made a motion to approve the budget amendment #3, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Smith. The vote was unanimously in favor.

IX. STAFF REPORTS

- A. Public Works Department Report (p.27) – Mr. Shrewsbury reported:
He stated they had a typical month with water leaks and such. He is working to getting a full staff back. Councilmember Bonham asked about inmate staffing. Mr. Shrewsbury stated they are using two inmates with one to be replaced next week and they may be losing the other due to an illness. They are still down one fulltime and one part time employee. Mr. Attaway stated Mr. Shrewsbury has asked for an additional employee for Water/Sewer so he is trying to account for that in this next budget. Councilmember Funderburk asked about speed bumps? Mr. Attaway thinks the policy needs to be more visible on the website so we will make the updates as necessary.
- B. Finance (p.28) – Lisa Nolen presented. She stated that Sue Lowe was still working with the MeterSys analyst to work out some issues and working on water supply reports for Mr. Shrewsbury. She stated Ms. Lowe is also in the process of documenting her procedures in the event someone needs to help her at the front desk and answering calls. Mrs. Nolen is currently cleaning up account transactions that were coded incorrectly. She mentioned the new temp and how she is very helpful and knowledgeable. Mrs. Nolen is also working on year-end adjustments from Butler & Stowe. Mr. Attaway mentioned that Ms. Lowe is pulling together a lot of reports for the CIP updates in preparation for the flow study. He thanked Ms. Lowe and Lisa Nolen for their hard work.
- C. Police Department Report (p. 41-42)– Interim Chief/Captain Carl Moore reported
1. Very busy month and citations are back up. Installed a camera at the old chemical plant and have charged 24 adults and a few more teenagers with trespassing.
 2. Sgt. Harrison started the Community Watch program last week on the 3rd on Woodlawn and it went well with about 32 people were in attendance.
 3. Officer Anderson had a drug bust charging juveniles with 17.5 oz of marijuana, seized \$1400 in cash and a gun was confiscated off Stowe St. Councilmember Funderburk asked about the homeless camp and if that had been straightened out. Captain Moore said they are still working on it. Two people were charged last week around Rankin Park. They are working with Mr. Dixon at Woodlawn Church and Mr. Culbertson to try to fix it the problem.
- D. Fire Department Report– see **Departmental report on page 46.**

X. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT – No updates

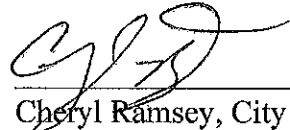
XI. CITY MANAGER REPORT – No updates. Councilmember Funderburk asked about the update of the apartments on Groves Street Mr. Attaway said they tabled the variance for the next month due to wetlands issues.

XII. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL GENERAL DISCUSSION – Mayor asked council if they had any further comments. Councilmember Funderburk thanked Mayor Pro Tem Smith for volunteering on the GCLMPO Board.

Mayor Railey thanked everyone for coming and asked for a motion to adjourn. It was moved by Councilmember Bonham, seconded by Councilmember Funderburk. The vote was unanimously in favor. Adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

ATTEST:


Sandy Railey, Mayor


Cheryl Ramsey, City Clerk