

**MINUTES OF
CITY HALL
JUNE 30, 2021 – 5:30 P.M.**

PRESENT	MAYOR	TODD M. HARRELSON
	COUNCIL	LEWIS C. HARDEE, Jr. CARROLL D. PADGETT, Jr. MICHAEL E. SUGGS JOAN S. GAUSE
ABSENT		TERRANCE T. HARDEE JAN P. VESCOVI

NEWS MEDIA present were Mrs. Jen Boyd Causey, writer for Tabor-Loris Tribune, Mr. Scott Harper, writer for The Loris Scene, and Ms. Annie Rigby, writer for The Loris Times.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Todd Harrelson.

INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Mayor Todd Harrelson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Todd Harrelson.

ROLL CALL:

The roll was called by City Clerk Todd K. Massey II.

FOIA:

Notice of the meeting with an agenda was publicly posted, published, and forwarded to the media no less than 24 hours prior to adjournment.

BUSINESS:

Mayor Todd Harrelson stated we would go right into the PUBLIC HEARING.

Budget starting fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022.

City Clerk Keith Massey II gave a summary of the duties of the mayor and council. Council strong mayor weak form of government. Made up of a seven-member council, six council and one mayor, four-year staggered terms, sharing no more than three members up for elections at one time. The council is a legislative branch which sets and approves code of laws for the city of Loris.

The budget for the City of Loris consists of various funds. The budget documents contain a summary of each department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. The General Fund receives revenues primarily from taxes, state funds and solid waste services. The city's General Fund expenditures are used to fund various departments that service the citizens of Loris. A summary of the expenditures has been broken down by departments and objectives in planning for the upcoming year. Our administration, departments heads, and council access these resources needed and that information in conjunction with their future goals was utilized to develop the recommended budget for 2022.

The recommended year 2022 budget provides, a budget to maintain the City of Loris's high-quality services, meet the needs of our community and communities, and is physically responsible for the taxpayers' dollars during this challenging period.

City Clerk Keith Massey II stated, in closing I would like to thank you for the opportunity to present the fiscal year 2022 budget that has been recommended for your consideration. Our goal is to prepare a recommended budget that supports and advances the City of Loris. Priorities, while maintaining the same tax rate and continues the same level of service that meets the needs of our citizens. As City Clerk I will continue to work with City Council to develop a vision and a purpose to advance the City of Loris and its citizens while making a sustainable recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic.

I would like to acknowledge all the demanding work by Treasurer Jenna Santiago, Department Heads, and Staff in development of this budget. Council, I am grateful for your leadership and support. Thank you.

The budget is balanced.

Councilman Lewis C. Hardee, Jr. Replied, thank you for all your hard work and getting all of this together, you can see you have spent a great deal of time working on this.

City Clerk Keith Massey II replied, with all the documents as of tomorrow July 1, we can continue with the normal format to see where we are each month.

Mayor Todd Harrelson stated, I know there has been a lot of work done and I really appreciate it.

PUBLIC AND PRESS:

No questions or comments.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Todd Harrelson stated, there being no further business for this meeting, can I make a motion to adjourn this meeting? Motion was given by Councilman Michael E. Suggs and seconded by Councilman Lewis C. Hardee, Jr.. All voted favorably at 6:35pm.

ATTEST:



Todd K. Massey II
CITY CLERK



TODD M. HARRELSON
MAYOR

LORIS COUNCIL MEMBERS

Joan S. Gause
JOAN S. GAUSE

Lewis C. Hardee, Jr.
LEWIS C. HARDEE JR.

Absent

TERRENCE HARDEE
Carroll D. Padgett, Jr.
CARROLL D. PADGETT, JR.

Michael E. Suggs
MICHAEL E. SUGGS

Absent

JAN P. VESCOVI