MINUTES OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING CITY HALL - ZOOM JUNE 30, 2021 – 6:00 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 <u>Tabor-Loris Tribune</u>, 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 Harrelson.

INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Mayor Harrelson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Harrelson.

ROLL CALL:

The roll was called by Interim 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 REPORT:

Interim City Clerk Keith Massey stated that this would be the second reading of ordinance 02-21, an ordinance to adopt a budget for the City of Loris for fiscal year 2021-2022, ending on June 30, 2022. Interim City Clerk Keith Massey stated that the City of Loris is governed by a Council consisting of six members and a mayor. All serving four years staggered

terms with no more than three members up for election at one time. Operating under a council strong and mayor weak form of government. The council is a legislative branch which sets and approves the code of laws that affects the quality of life for the citizens of the City of Loris. Interim City Clerk Keith Massey also stated the budget for the City of Loris consists of various funds. The budget documents contain a summary of each departments fiscal year ending June 30,2022. The City's General Fund receives general revenue primarily from the receipt of taxes, state funds, and solid waste services. The City's General fund expenditures are used to fund various departments that serve the citizens of Loris. A summary of expenditures has been broken down by departments and objectives. In planning for the upcoming fiscal year our Administration, Department Heads, and Council assessed the resources needed, and that information in conjunction with their future goals was utilized to develop the recommended budget for fiscal year 2022.

Interim City Clerk Keith Massey stated the American Rescue Plan Fund was created at the direction of City Council. American Rescue Plan money is not considered revenue and is aide from the Federal Government that is derived from the emergency relief bill that helps Municipal Governments respond to Covid-19 and public health emergency, offset revenue loss, bolster economic recovery, and provide premium pay for essential workers. A strategic expenditure plan has not been developed yet for these funds, but this plan will be developed with the guidance of City Council, and City Attorney, that will adhere to the United States Department of Treasury guidelines that pertain to the use of these funds for fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

Interim City Clerk Keith Massey thanked Interim Treasurer Jenna Santiago for all her help and challenging work. The Mayor, City Council, Department Heads, and all Employees for their help and challenging work and for allowing him to put together a proposed budget for 2022.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS:

Councilman Lewis C. Hardee, Jr. replied, thank you for all your time and demanding work getting all of this together for presentation.

Mayor Todd Harrelson stated, many thanks for all the many hours of hard work and dedication to getting the proposed budget done.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilman Lewis Hardee Jr. made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilwoman Joan S. Gause. There being no business the meeting was adjourned at 6:39pm.

ATTEST: Todd K. Massey II CITY CLERK	TODD M. HARRELSON MAYOR
	LORIS COUNCIL MEMBERS JOANS. GAUSE LEWIS C. HARDEE JR.
	CARROLL D. PADGETT, JR. Michael E. Suggs
	_Absent

JAN P. VESCOVI