

The City Council in and for the citizens of the City of Lake City, Florida, met in Joint Session with the Columbia County Board of County Commissioners, on April 18, 2023 beginning at 5:30 PM, at the Richardson Community Center, located at 255 NE Coach Anders Lane, Lake City, Florida 32055. Members of the public also viewed the meeting on the Board of County Commissioners' YouTube Channel.

CALL TO ORDER – Columbia County Commissioner, Rocky Ford

INVOCATION – Council Member Chevella Young

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Mayor/Council Member  
City Council

Stephen M. Witt  
Jake Hill, Jr. – tardy  
C. Todd Sampson  
Chevella Young  
Ricky Jernigan  
Todd Kennon  
Dee Johnson  
Chief Gerald Butler  
Audrey Sikes

City Attorney  
Assistant City Manager  
Sergeant-at-Arms  
City Clerk

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The approval of the agenda was approved by County vote and authorized moving Richardson Community Center (Item#1) to the end of the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Discussion and Possible Action – City/County Consolidated 911 Dispatch

The City and County, along with Sheriff Mark Hunter, Chief Butler and Assistant Fire Chief Boozer discussed both dispatch agencies working together for 911 services.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Sylvester Warren

**Mr. Sampson made a motion for the City to move forward and authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to bring a final document to the Council for consideration on a City/County Consolidated 911 Dispatch. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

<b>Mr. Sampson</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Hill</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Ms. Young</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mr. Jernigan</b>	<b>Aye</b>
<b>Mayor Witt</b>	<b>Aye</b>

2. Discussion and Possible Action – County Operated Animal Enforcement

Commissioner Ford reported the County would be doing Animal Enforcement and would like to work with the City on Animal Enforcement.

Mayor Witt handed out extra copies of City Council Resolution 2022-101, regarding the agreement the City holds for two years with the Columbia County Humane Society.

There were no motions made on this topic.

3. Discussion and Possible Action – Richardson Community Center

**The County made a motion to accept the deed for Richardson Community Center from the City. The motion carried on a 3-2 vote.**

Members and Commission discussed the CDBG-CV grant that could be used for improvements to the center.

**Mr. Sampson made a motion to authorize County Manager David Kraus to facilitate the grant and be the grant administrator, and to seek a joint application. Mr. Hill seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion carried.**

Mr. Sampson	Aye
Mr. Hill	Aye
Ms. Young	Nay
Mr. Jernigan	Aye
Mayor Witt	Aye

**The County made a motion to co-sponsor the CDBG-CV grant with the City and the motion carried unanimously on a voice vote.**

Members and Commission discussed forming a Joint Recreation Committee consisting of one City Council Member and one County Commissioner, with the County and City Attorneys structuring an Interlocal Agreement.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Tammy Magstadt – Treasurer for the Richardson Community Center Board; Linard Johnson (2), Phillip Mobley, Dr. Pamela Green, Glenel Bowden (2), Sylvester Warren (2), Chief Gerald Butler, Kyle Green, Monte Ashby, Harold Perry, Sylvester Warren, Glenel Bowden, Linard Johnson, Vanessa George, Tammy Magstadt (2), Joshua Garner, Shayla Jernigan, Tony Johnson, Linda Carter Elliott

ADJOURNMENT

**All matters having been handled, the meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM on a motion made and duly seconded.**

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Audrey Sikes, City Clerk

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Stephen M. Witt, Mayor/Council Member