



CITY OF  
**Swainsboro**  
*Crossroads of the Great South*



GEORGIA

**City Council Meeting**

**August 04, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, August 04, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall

**Members Present:** Collins, Parker, Stroud, Edenfield, Stafford, & Faulkner

**Members Absent:**

**Prayer of Invocation:** Rev. Carlos McCloud

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting was made.

**Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Faulkner 5-0** Stroud Absent

Mayor Schwabe recognized Lisa Dailey as the August 2014 Hometown Hero. Mrs. Dailey raised the funds necessary to buy an electric wheelchair for Mrs. Louise Handcock when she found out that her insurance would not pay for it.

**A. Consensus Business**

None

**B. New Business**

1. Administrator Lawson presented a property that Mary Lester wanted to donate to the city. He explained she had moved off and the taxes had not been paid and the land would be foreclosed on. He contacted Mrs. Lester and she wanted to give the property to the city. Motion was made to accept the property.

**Motion: by Faulkner Seconded: by Edenfield 5-0**

2. Adm. Lawson read a letter from Stacy Neal from Dr. Holsonback/Haddock's office requesting to use the new Fire Station's parking lot for a Blood Drive on August 13, 2014. No one objected. Motion was made to grant the request.

**Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Faulkner 5-0**

3. Downtown Development Authority Director, Lynn Brinson, explained to council that in the application to be named a Main Street City, the city would have to designate a Main Street area. She presented a map laying out the boundaries of the proposed area. ( See description below) Motion was made to designate this area as the Swainsboro Main Street District.

**Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Stafford 5-0**

**MAIN STREET BOUNDARIES**

Central Street, from Church Street to Moring Street

Church Street, from Central Street to Coleman Street

Coleman Street, from Church Street to Pine Street

Pine Street, from Coleman Street to East Street

East Street, from Pine Street to Moring Street and the railroad tracks

Coleman Street, from Moring Street to Short Street

Short Street, from Coleman Street to Green Street

Green Street, from Short Street to Moring Street

Moring Street, from Green Street to Jackson Street

Jackson Street, from Moring Street to West Main Street

**C. Old Business**

1. Council heard the application of Roger Richards dba New Image 406 North Coleman St. for beer and wine consumption on the premises. Mayor Schwabe announced this was a public hearing and asked if there was anyone present to speak for or against the application. No one was present. Motion was made to grant.

**Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Stafford 5-0**

## **D. Committee Reports**

**Police:** Councilperson Stafford gave the July Police Report. He reported that the Golf Cart committee had met and their will be a suggestion at the next council meeting for an ordinance on golf carts. The committee will meet again on Aug 15th.

**Public Works:** Councilperson Parker reported about the overgrowth of the streets and the grass on the sides need cutting.

Councilperson Parker gave a list of streets in Ward 5 that need paving.

**Fire:** Councilperson Collins reported everything routine.

Fire Chief Strobridge reported that the city has been working on the city's fire classification. ISO, the rating agency, has recently been to the city and reevaluated the city's classification. Chief Strobridge was proud to inform the council that the city has been lowered to a Class 3. He explained this would lower all of the insurance rates for the businesses and homeowners.

**Recreation:** Councilperson Faulkner reported the Recreation Dept. was running smoothly. Fall registration has started.

**Airport:** No Report

**Executive:** No Report

**Water & WW:** Councilperson Edenfield reported the EPD has done the final inspection on the Waste Water Treatment Plant and the plant is operating under the new permit.

**Downtown Development:** DDA Director Lynn Brinson reported a new restaurant would be opening in the downtown area in August. She informed the council on some upcoming dates; 2014 Fall Festival Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> and Christmas Parade Dec. 4th.

**Administrative:** No Report

**Building Inspection:** No Report

**Mayor :** Mayor Schwabe asked for special budget meeting on August 11<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm

**Meeting was adjourned.**

**Submitted: Al L Lawson, City Administrator**