



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



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**City Council Meeting**

**December 05, 2011**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, December 05, 2011, at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall.

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

**Members Absent:**

**Prayer of Invocation:** Councilperson Parker

Mayor Schwabe presented the "Our Home Town Hero" Award to Curtis Lewis. Curtis is a hard worker for the Emanuel County Commissioners. He serves a lot of people in many areas. Mr. Lewis is a true asset to our community and a perfect "Our Home Town Hero".

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting was made.

**Motion: by Faulkner Seconded: by Stroud 6-0**

**A. Consensus Business**

None

**B. New Business**

**C. Old Business**

1. Council heard a request from Michelle Hutchinson requesting a name change on the alcoholic beverage application for Walgreens Store #11708 390 South Main St. Swainsboro. This is a renewal application. Motion was made to grant the application.

**Motion: by Edenfield Seconded: by Faulkner 6-0**

**D. Committee Reports**

**Police:** Councilperson Faulkner reported the Police Department was routine.

Police Chief Ellison reported that Officer Hall was back to work.

Councilperson Parker asked about the Game Room Ordinance. Mayor Schwabe stated that would be looked at in the up coming year.

**Executive:** Councilperson Stroud had no report.

**Public Works:** Councilperson Parker reported as follows: Repairs on equipment.

**Fire:** Councilperson Stafford reported everything routine. He stated he would be checking on the revised plans for Fire Station One.

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

**Airport:** No Report

**Water & WW:** Councilperson Edenfield gave council an update of the projects going on in the Water Department.

Councilperson Edenfield stated he has had many complaints about water running down the road from the irrigations only islands. He asked Adm. Lawson to check on this issue.

**Downtown Development:** Lynn had no report.

**Administrative:** Councilperson Stroud reported that we are still waiting on the credit card company in order for the city to take credit cards.

**Mayor :** Mayor Schwabe had no report. He congratulated the DDA and Lynn on a job well done on the Christmas Parade.

Mayor Schwabe brought the council up to date on the USDA Project and reminded council that the increase to pay back the loans would take effect in December 2011.

Mayor Schwabe discussed the problem of stray dogs in neighborhoods. He stated that the council needs to look into the animal control ordinance and see if more strenuous measures need to be taken to control the dog problem. He asked Councilperson Faulkner, Edenfield, and Parker to address these concerns and report back to council with suggestions. He also ask Adm. Lawson to look at other cities to see what they did with over population of animals.

Mayor Schwabe requested an executive session to discuss a land acquisition issue. Motion was made and roll call vote all in favor.

AFFIDAVIT

Personally appeared before the undersigned attesting officer, duly authorized to administer oaths, Charles Schwabe, who, after being duly sworn, deposes and on oath states the following:

**I was the presiding officer of a meeting of the Swainsboro City Council held on the 5th day of December, 2011.**

**That it is my understanding that O.C.G.A §50-14-4(b) provides as follows:**

**When any meeting of an agency is closed to the public pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section, the chairperson or other person presiding over such meeting shall execute and file with the official minutes of the meeting a notarized affidavit stating under oath that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the exceptions provided by law and identifying the specific relevant exception.**

**The subject matter of the closed meeting or closed portion of the meeting held on the 5th day of December, 2011, which was closed for the purpose of land acquisition requested by Mayor Charles Schwabe as allowed by O.C.G.A., Title 50, Chapter 14, was devoted to matters within those exceptions and as provided by law.**

**This affidavit is being executed for the purpose of complying with the mandate of O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b) that such an affidavit be executed.**

This 5th day of December, 2011

Council reentered regular session.

Motion was made to accept the gift of a property located at the corner of Stewart and Sycamore Streets.

**Motion: by Edenfield Seconded: by Faulkner 6-0**

Meeting was adjourned.

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