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City Council Meeting

January 05, 2015

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, January 05, 2015 at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall

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

Members Absent:

Prayer of Invocation: Rev. Eugene Jones

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting was made.

Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Stroud 6-0

Mayor Schwabe announced that the Council Assignments for the 2015 year would remain the same.

Mayor Schwabe then ask council to elect a Mayor Pro-Tem for the 2015 year. Councilperson Sandra Stroud was nominated and elected unanimously.

Councilperson Faulkner reminded everyone about the Martin Luther King Celebration on January 18th and 19th, with a Community Service at the St. Phillips Church at 7:00pm January 18th, and the Parade on January 19th at 1:00 pm.

A. Consensus Business

None

B. New Business

None

C. Old Business

None

D. Committee Reports

Police: Councilperson Stafford gave the December Police Report.

Police Chief Ellison reported to council that the Swainsboro Police Department had received a \$2500 grant from Walmart to Shop with a Cop Program. This allowed 25 under privileged kids to go shopping with a cop. The kids were fed pizza and got to purchase \$100.00 worth of gifts and clothes.

Public Works: Councilperson Parker reported everything routine.

Councilperson Parker ask council to consider a raise for the part time employees at the recycle center. He explained that they are permanent part time and they did not get a raise. Council then asked if this had already been voted on and Mayor Schwabe explained it had. Council then decided to consider this next year's budget time.

Councilperson Parker stated that the glass needs to be hauled to the recycle facility in Atlanta.

Councilperson Parker reported on the purchase of the side arm equipment budgeted in the 2015 budget.

Fire: Councilperson Collins reported everything routine.

Fire Chief Strobridge reported that GEMA was considering the request to provide an emergency generator for the new Swainsboro/Emanuel Co. Fire Station on Green St.

Recreation: Councilperson Faulkner reported everything routine.

Airport: No Report

Executive: No Report

Water & WW: Councilperson Edenfield reported everything routine.

Downtown Development: No Report

Administrative: No report.

Building Inspection: Councilperson Stroud informed council and the community that Inspector Bruce Kirby would be hosting an information session on Monday January 12th at 6:00 in City Hall to cover all of the permit, code, rules, and regulation changes in the Building Department for the upcoming year. All licensed and unlicensed contractors are encouraged to attend.

Mayor: Mayor Schwabe presented his 2015 GOALS

1. Complete the New Joint Fire Station
2. Continue Road Paving and Improvement Projects
(Asking Council to bring him 2 high priority roads from each of their districts to be considered for improvement)
3. Begin Renovation of the Theater
4. Establish a City/College Development Committee
5. Begin Development of a New Inert Landfill
6. Locate more retail Business in Swainsboro
7. Continue to Improve the Quality of Life
8. Work Closely with the Chamber of Commerce and the Joint Development Authority to bring more Jobs to Swainsboro

Mayor Schwabe stated he would like to get more citizens involved with local government. In 2015 he would be available every Friday at 11:00am to meet with any citizen to discuss matters of the city. He stated he would also like to hold 4 remote council meetings in neighborhood locations in 2015.

Mayor Schwabe then asked council, in their monthly report, to share a “point of pride” about their department. He then challenged each council member to come up with one thing they most wanted accomplished in the city for 2015.

Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted: Al L Lawson, City Administrator