



CITY OF
Swainsboro
Crossroads of the Great South



City Council Meeting

June 03, 2013

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, June 03, 2013 at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall

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

Members Absent:

Prayer of Invocation: Rev. Tim Nary

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting was made.

Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Faulkner 6-0

A. Consensus Business

None

B. New Business

None

C. Old Business

1. Council considered a resolution in support of the borrowing \$1,000,000.00 jointly with the Emanuel County Commissioners to build a community hanger at the airport. Adm. Lawson explained this had been approved back in February 2012 but a formal resolution had not been passed. This is a formality that is needed.

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF EMANUEL
CITY OF SWAINSBORO

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Swainsboro has, at prior meetings and in particular, at its meeting on February 6, 2012 discussed the progress of expanding the facilities at the Swainsboro-Emanuel County Airport with the prospect of construction of a new community hanger, and

WHEREAS, the plans for such have materialized to the extent that certain Federal funds will be continued and the Board of Commissioners of Roads and Revenues of Emanuel County has approved and endorsed proceeding with such improvements and approved the method of both the City and County equally paying for the same by using SPLOST funds, and

WHEREAS, it is now necessary to obtain the \$1,000,000.00 construction funds necessary to complete the project by borrowing the same from a local banking institution; and

WHEREAS, The City of Swainsboro and the County of Emanuel, acting by and through its appropriate officials have negotiated a loan by and through The Citizens Bank of Swainsboro to borrow said amount for a period of one (1) year.

THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SWAINSBORO as follows:

That the City of Swainsboro proceed with its participation in the Airport improvement project as stated and that the Mayor and City Administrator be and are hereby authorized to execute any and all documents in connection with the loan to be obtained and any other instruments involved in such project.

This, the _____ day of June, 2013.

Motion was made to accept the resolution as presented.

Motion: by Edenfield Seconded: by Faulkner 6-0

D. Committee Reports

Police: Councilperson Stafford gave the June Police Report.

Chief Ellison Stated that he had promoted Adam Kersey from part time to full to take the place of Officer Haddaway who was leaving. Councilperson Stafford ask council to ratify this decision. Motion was made to promote Officer Kersey to full time.

Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Parker 6-0

Councilperson Stafford reported that the committee had met and re-examined the ordinance for game room license . The committee made some changes and they will be presented to council review at the next meeting.

Public Works: Councilperson Parker reported that the boom trucks are old and need to be considered for replacement.

He reported that the Recycle Center was losing its detail help and another one was reassigned to the unit.

Fire: Councilperson Collins presented the May Fire reports.

Councilperson Collins presented a request from James Ward, Chair of the local Firefighter Burn Foundation, for permission to hold a boot drive on June 15, 2013. A list of locations are as follows;

Main St and Moring St
Old Nunez Rd & Moring St.
Lambs Bridge Rd. & Hwy 1 South.
Coleman St. & Moring St.
Hwy 1 South & Empire Expressway
Hwy 80 West & Green St.

Motion was made to allow the collections as requested.

Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Faulkner 6-0

Councilperson Collins reported that engine one was out of service and an emergency repair had been made and put back in service.

Mayor Schwabe reported the new fire station is still in the design phase and moving forward.

Recreation: Councilperson Faulkner reported the Splash Pad project is under construction and hopes to be open in July 2013.

Mayor Schwabe asked council's opinion about holding a contest to name the Splash Pad. No one objected. Adm. Lawson stated he would work with Lynn to get something together.

Airport: Councilperson Edenfield reported that lighting had hit the AWAS at he airport and it was being repaired.

Executive: Councilperson Stroud had no report.

Water & WW: Councilperson Edenfield reported the waste water treatment plant project was moving as scheduled.

Downtown Development: Lynn reported the Farmers Market is up and running this year with good participation.

She gave a report on the progress in the downtown area with the opening of the new businesses and renovation of some of the downtown stores.

Lynn introduced Taylor Breedlove who will be interning with the city this summer at the antique market. Taylor informed council she is a Fashion Merchandising graduate of Georgia Southern University.

Administrative: No report

Building Inspection: Bruce reported that the Planning and Zoning commission had granted a variance to Peggy Price for a building located on Old Nunez Rd.

Building Inspector Bruce Kirby reported that the city has removed seven dilapidated houses and targeted over five more for removal.

Mayor : Mayor Schwabe recognized Bishop Bertha Jones to make a request to council.

Mrs. Jones asked council to consider the closure of some streets on June 22, 2013 for an event the William Chapel Church will be hosting in the neighborhood. She requested that Martin Luther King Blvd from Gumlog Rd to Harris St, Gumlog Rd from MLK to McLeod Bridge Rd. and block off Olliphant St at Gumlog, from 10:00am to 5:00pm. This event will be for the kids in the neighborhood. Motion was made to grant the request.

Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Parker 6-0

Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted: Al L Lawson, City Administrator