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City Council Meeting

September 05, 2017

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Tuesday, September 05, 2017 at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall.

Members Present: Stafford, Sconyers, Collins, Parker, Faulkner & Bragg

Members Absent:

Prayer of Invocation: Rev. David Unkles, First United Methodist Church

Mayor Schwabe presented the September Our Town Hero Award to the Swainsboro Dixie Youth Baseball Minor Georgia State Champions. They finished seventh in the world series in Ala.

Mayor Schwabe presented a Proclamation declaring September 2017 National Recovery Month which was read by Adm. Lawson

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting was made.

Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Sconyers 6-0

A. Consensus Business

None

B. New Business

None

C. Old Business

1. Adm. Lawson presented the 2018 suggested budget. This is a balanced budget including a milage DECREASE from 19.529 to 19.499. The council also voted an increase of \$3.00 in the basis water rate and a \$.50 increase in the adm. garbage rate. Motion was made to accept as presented.

Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Faulkner 6-0

D. Committee Reports

Recreation: Councilperson Parker reported the dog park was scheduled to open on Oct. 6th. He informed council the Rec Dept. is holding a contest to name the park.

Water and Waste Water: Councilperson Sconyers reported everything routine. Leonard Scrogings area manager for CH2M reported a new project manager would be on site next Monday.

Police: Councilperson Stafford reported everything routine. Police Chief gave council an update on the Police Department. Council discussed the success of the Juvenile Curfew Ordinance and decided to extend it another six months. Motion was made to extend the Juvenile Curfew for an additional six months.

Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Bragg 6-0

Public Works: Councilperson Faulkner reported everything routine.

She presented the monthly report and spoke about scheduling a tire collection day. Mayor Schwabe asked Councilperson Faulkner to chair a committee to plan a day to clean up the tire problem in Swainsboro.

Administrative: Councilperson Collins reported everything routine.

Fire: Councilperson Bragg reported everything routine.

Councilperson Bragg asked that two of the old lawnmowers be transferred to the Fire Department so they can cut their own grass.

Airport: No Report

Executive: No Report

Downtown Development: No Report

Building Inspection: No Report

Mayor: No report

An Executive Session was requested by Mayor Schwabe to discuss a land acquisition matter.

Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Faulkner All yes by a show of hands 6-0

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 day of September 05, 2017.

That it is my understanding that O.C.G.A S50-14-4(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 September, 2017, which was closed for the purpose of land acquisition requested by Council member Mayor 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. S50-14-4(b) that such an affidavit be executed.

This 5th day of September, 2017

Council re-entered Regular Session.

No action taken

Submitted: Al L Lawson, City Administrator