



CITY OF
Swainsboro GEORGIA
Crossroads of the Great South

City Council Meeting

May 06, 2019

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, May 06, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall.

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

Members Absent: Bragg

Prayer of Invocation: Rev. Brad Mackenzie

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting.

Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Sconyers 5-0

A. Consensus Business

B. New Business

1. David Hall was present to present council with a copy of the Ga. Laws #44 which had to do with property owners rights. He asked the council to review it.

Mr. Hall then stated he had spoken to the Librarians at the Franklin Memorial Library and the East Georgia State College Library about establishing a Civic Corner to honor the civic servants of our community. He just brought it to council for consideration. Mayor Schwabe thanked him and stated to follow up with the libraries.

2. DDA Director, Lynn Brinson presented to council the upcoming Summer Concert Series list and asked council to consider the closure of the roads.

Events: June 06, 2019 and July 26, 2019

Closure: of Roger Shaw Street by the Boneyard and South Green from Moring to Main

Time: 5:00pm to 10:00pm

Motion was made to grant the closures.

Motion: by Sconyers Seconded: by Parker 5-0

C. Old Business

D. Committee Reports

Recreation: Councilperson Bragg was absent.

Water and Waste Water: Councilperson Sconyers reported everything routine.

Police: Councilperson Faulkner reported the meet and greet at DeAlva Park was a huge success and others were being planned.

Fire: Councilperson Parker reported everything routine.

Councilperson Parker stated the Fire personnel committee had met and presented two naming for consideration of employment as Firefighters. He stated the committee recommended the hiring of Colby Martin and Jordan Brooks.

Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Stafford 5-0

Councilperson Parker presented three bids for the treatment of termites at Fire Station one as follows:

1. Parrish Pest Control - \$3,650.00
2. Cingo - \$3,275.00
3. Orkin - \$5,860.00

Motion was made to accept the low bid by Cingo.

Motion: by Faulkner Seconded: by Stafford

Councilperson Parker informed council the Swainsboro Fire Department will be hosting a Regional GEMA Meeting on May 23, 2019 at 10:00am and invited council to come and have lunch with the Department.

Administrative: Councilperson Collins reported everything routine.

Councilperson Collins brought up a proposal to change all of the lights in city hall from florescent to LEDs. She then called on Adm. Lawson to share the proposal. Adm Lawson stated he had done a cost analysis on the cost saving to install LED lighting in the place of florescent. The installation cost would be approximately \$1900.00 for the initial installation. The electrical cost saving would be around \$1300.00 per year. This would save the city approximately \$11,128.00 of the life of the lamp. Motion was made to proceed with the change.

Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Sconyers 6-0

Public Works: Councilperson Stafford gave the report from Jacobs.

Councilperson Stafford ask Jacobs to paint the speed bumps in town they have been receiving complaints that drivers could not see them.

Councilperson Parker asked if the city could go on private property and clean. He explained in Jacobs report they reported spending 30 hrs cleaning the Morgan House property. Mayor Schwabe explained when we rented the lift, Jacob's requested, East Georgia St. College, who owns the house, requested we remove a fallen limb from the top of the house. This was all they were requested to do. Council requested to find out where the 30 hours came from.

Airport: No Report

Executive: No Report

Downtown Development: DDA Director, Lynn Brinson, presented Mayor Schwabe and city council a plaque naming Swainsboro a 2019 National Accredited Main Street City. Mayor Schwabe thanked Lynn for her hard work and this and many more projects over the last nine years.

Building Inspection: No Report

Mayor: No Report

An Executive Session was called for by Mayor Schwabe to discuss a land acquisition issue.

Motion was made to enter into Executive Session

Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Faulkner 5-0

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 day of May 06, 2019.

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 1st day of April, 2019, which was closed for the purpose of land acquisition requested by 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. §50-14-4(b) that such an affidavit be executed.

This 6th day of May, 2019

Council re-entered regular session.

Motion was made to accept a piece of property from Debbie Gaston located on North Central St (S24 048) and pay the closing cost of \$1,490.00 to get the title transferred.

Motion: by Sconyers Seconded: by Parker 5-0

Motion was made for council to seek funding of \$1,400,000.00 dollars to fund the Theater Project, The Robin Road Drainage Project, and the Gumlog Gym Project.

Motion: died of lack of a second

Submitted: Al L. Lawson, City Adm.