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City Council Meeting

July 03, 2017

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, June 03, 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

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting was made.

Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Faulkner 5-0
Collins was absent

A. Consensus Business

None

B. New Business

1. Building inspector Bruce Kirby presented a zoning change recommendation from the Planning and Zoning Commission. This recommendation was to change a section of parcel 075 062A From R3 to M2 Zoning. Kirby stated no one came to the Planning Commission meeting to object to the change. Motion was made to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and make the zoning change.

Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Bragg 6-0

C. Old Business

1. Lakesia McSween spoke to council thanking them for all of the help for their fun day celebration on June 24th.

2. Council discussed the grant request from Joe Pearson representing the Swainsboro Thunder AAU Basketball team, who will be playing basketball in Myrtle Beach. He requested \$2,500 from the council. He stated they had raised \$1323.00 but needed the rest of the money. He informed council he has 13 boys who play. Council discussed the budgetary restraints the city was facing. Motion was then made to give them \$1,000 for the trip.

Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Faulkner 4-2
Sconyers and Stafford opposed

D. Committee Reports

Recreation: Councilperson Parker reported the dog park was back on track and new fence would be started soon and hopes to open in August 2017.

He reported the fountain has another water leak and would be repaired.

He reported the Vann Community House AC needed repairing.

Water and Waste Water: Councilperson Sconyers reported everything routine.

Police: Councilperson Stafford reported everything routine. He presented the monthly report.

He reported the Police Committee would be interviewing for the vacant position.

Public Works: Councilperson Faulkner reported everything routine and presented the monthly report.

She presented bids for some new mowers.

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| 1. A to Z | \$7,034.00 |
| 2. Georgia Equipment | \$7,299.00 |
| 3. John Deere | \$6,650.00 |

Motion Was made to accept the Georgia Equipment bid and purchase two mowers because of the make of the mower and it was a more heavy duty model.

Motion: by Faulkner Seconded: by Parker 6-0

Administrative: Councilperson Collins reported everything routine.

Fire: Councilperson Bragg reported everything routine.

Airport: Adm Lawson reported to council that East Georgia Regional Airport had received a series of grants in the amount of approximately \$585,000. In order to finalize these grants the city and county had to agree to pay it's 5% portion, install the remainder of the fence, upgrade some striping, and cut some trees. This would give clearance for the grant to proceed. Motion was made to accept the grant and do what is needed to receive the grant.

Motion: by Sconyers Seconded: by Faulkner 6-0

Executive: No Report

Downtown Development: No Report

Building Inspection: Reported in new business.

Mayor: No Report

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

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 July 03, 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 3rd day of July, 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 3rd day of July, 2017

Council re-entered Regular Session.

Motion was made to provide city property (078 003) to the Joint Development Authority for the purpose of marketing the land for industrial use. The Development Authority would pay all cost associated with the transfers.

Motion: by Sconyers Seconded: by Parker 5-1
Bragg - Against

Submitted: Al L Lawson, City Administrator