



CITY OF  
**Swainsboro**  
*Crossroads of the Great South*



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**City Council Meeting**

**November 03, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, November 03, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall

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

**Members Absent:**

**Prayer of Invocation:** Rev. Chad Kennison, Southside Baptist Church

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting was made.

**Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Faulkner 6-0**

American Legion Member, Richard Claxton, was present to invite council to a Veterans Day Program on Nov. 11, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. at Pine Brook Park.

James Ward, a Swainsboro Firefighter, was present representing the Georgia Burn Foundation asking council's permission to hold a Boot Drive on Nov. 08, 2014 from 8:00a.m. to 12:00p.m. to collect money for the Georgia Burn Foundation.

Motion was made to allow the Boot Drive.

**Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Parker 6-0**

**A. Consensus Business**

None

**B. New Business**

1. DDA Director Lynn Brinson spoke to council about the Christmas Parade planned for December 04, 2014. She asked council for road closures on that day for safety purposes. She asked that Roger Shaw St. be closed from 4:00pm to 9:00 pm. Motion was made to grant the request.

**Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Stroud 6-0**

2. Adm. Lawson presented the Watershed Protection Plan as prepared by G. Ben Turnipseed Eng. to meet the EPD requirements. The study had to be done for the new waste water load permit. Motion was made to accept the Plan as presented.

**Motion: by Edenfield Seconded: by Parker 6-0**

3. Building Inspector, Bruce Kirby, presented a house located at 208 McLeod Bridge Rd. for consideration of council to abate as a nuisance. The owner has been sited and the due process has taken place and no action to remove or restore the house has occurred. Inspector Kirby has photos to present to council. Inspector Kirby stated he has been addressing this problem since 2008. Motion was then made to abate this house as a nuisance and send it to Judge McNeely for action.

**Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Faulkner 6-0**

**C. Old Business**

1. Council heard the proposed Motorized Cart Ordinance. A Public Hearing was called for by Mayor Schwabe. Chief Ellison expressed his concerns on the ordinance and the enforcement of the ordinance as written. Motion was then made to table the proposed ordinance for further study.

**Motion: by Edenfield Seconded: by Stafford 6-0**

**D. Committee Reports**

**Police:** Councilperson Stafford gave the October Police Report.

**Public Works:** Councilperson Parker reported on the day to day issues of the Public Works Department.

**Fire:** Councilperson Collins reported everything routine.  
Chief Strobridge gave council an update on the new Fire Station's progress.

**Recreation:** Councilperson Faulkner reported the Recreation Dept. is moving into basketball season.

**Airport:** No Report

**Executive:** No Report

**Water & WW:** Councilperson Edenfield informed council that Danny Wilkerson with CH2MHill had been transferred to Waynesboro and Mike would be replacing him.

**Downtown Development:** DDA Director, Lynn Brinson, reported on the success of the Fall Festival.

**Administrative:** Councilperson Stroud had no report.

**Building Inspection:** No report

**Mayor:** Mayor Schwabe recognized the Fire, Police, and Public Works Departments for doing a great job in the cemetery preparing for the special event that took place last week.

Mayor Schwabe reminded everyone on the importance of voting on Tuesday.

An Executive Session was called by Mayor Schwabe to discuss a legal issue. District Attorney Hayward Altman was present. Motion was made to enter into Executive Session.

**Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Stroud All voting yes by called vote**

## **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 3rd day of November, 2014.

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 3rd day of November 2014 which was closed for the purpose of legal advisement 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 3rd day of November, 2014

Council re-entered regular session and no action was taken.

**Meeting was adjourned.**

**Submitted: Al L Lawson, City Administrator**