



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



**City Council Meeting**

**February 03, 2014**

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

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

**Members Absent:**

**Prayer of Invocation:** Phil Wilson, New Home Baptist Church

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting was made.

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

**A. Consensus Business**

None

**B. New Business**

1. Council heard the application, for advertisement only, of Jamie Akridge Loyd dba A & K's, 112 South Central St. for mixed drink consumption. The application did not have the proper insurance binder and council made a motion to postpone the application until it was complete.

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

2. Ms. Jennie McCaskill, representing the Miracle Helpers, addressed council about raising money for St. Jude Children's Hospital. She stated they would like to have a bucket drive fund raiser at some of the intersections in town. Mayor Schwabe explained she needed permission of the council and to get the intersections they wanted to use, the time, and hours of the event, and work with the Police Chief on all of the details. She stated she would get back with the details at the next meeting.

**C. Old Business**

None

**D. Committee Reports**

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

Councilperson Stafford asked Building Ins. Kirby and Police Chief Ellison to look into a nuisance complaint on College St.

Mayor Schwabe formed a Committee to look into the dog problem in the city. They will consider limiting the number of dogs a person can have and the location of the pens. On the committee were; Councilperson Stafford, Faulkner and Stroud

**Public Works:** Councilperson Parker read a list of streets in his district that needed repair and paving.

Mike Connolly, with CH2MHill, introduced Rick Lauver as the new Public Works Director.

**Fire:** Councilperson Collins reported everything routine.

Mayor Schwabe stated the drawing should be complete on the new Fire Dept. in about two weeks.

**Recreation:** Harsh weather caused the rescheduling of some games.

**Airport:** No Report

**Executive:** No Report

**Water & WW:** The new basin at the waste water treatment plant is in operation.  
A meeting with Turnipseed Eng. has been called to discuss the operation of lift station #4.

**Downtown Development:** No Report

**Administrative:** Councilperson Stroud reported that city hall has a new internet to accommodate the new software system.

**Building Inspection:** Building Inspector Kirby updated council on all of the progress of the dilapidated houses. He reported all have been removed but three. He informed council that an injunction was filed on 211 Green St. by Gary Wilson in Superior Court and Judge Palmer heard the case and denied the request from Mr. Wilson and the city could proceed with the removal of the nuisance.

**Mayor :** Mayor Schwabe praised the Fire Department and the Police Department on a job well done in the recent fire on Church St. No lives were lost and this fire could have been very bad if not for the quick response of both departments.

An Executive Session was called by Mayor Schwabe to discuss a land acquisition issue. Motion was made to enter into Executive Session.

**Motion: by Edenfield Seconded: by Stafford 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 February, 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 February 2014 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. S50-14-4(b) that such an affidavit be executed.

This 3rd day of February, 2014

Council re-entered regular session and motion was made to declare the property located at 303 North Main St. surplus property and instructed the Administrator to sell the property at auction.

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

**Meeting was adjourned.**

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