



CITY OF Swainsboro GEORGIA

Crossroads of the Great South

City Council Meeting

April 05, 2021

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, April 05, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. at the Swainsboro Fire Department. Social distancing was observed.

Members Present: Sconyers, Stafford, Parker, Collins, & Faulkner Stevens by Zoom

Members Absent:

Prayer of Invocation: Bishop Bertha Jones

Minutes were considered and motion was made to accept minutes as presented.

Motion by: Stevens Seconded : Stafford 6-0

A. Consensus Business

None

B. New Business

1. Mary Howard with the Georgia Hi-Lo Trail gave a presentation to council on a proposed bike trail from Athens to Savannah. She laid out the process and told council the trail was in the early stages and should be completed in 2050 if the funding was obtained. The trail would cost approximately \$2,000,000 per mile and would be funded from grants and donations. She asked each local government to help fund the cost of the master plan at \$1,625.00. Mayor Schwabe explained this was not a budgeted item and would be discussed for consideration.

C. Old Business

1. Mayor Schwabe presented the amendment to the occupational Taxes for consideration. Mayor Schwabe announced this was a Public Hearing and was anybody here to speak for or against the amendment. Motion was made to adopt the ordinance as presented.

Motion by: Sconyers Seconded : Stafford 6-0

2 Mayor Schwabe opened the bids received on the water, waste water, and public works contract RFP. He asked council to review the proposals and come back to the next council meeting with a recommendation.

3. City Administrator Lawson reported that he had met with Clear Water Solutions and Turnipseed Eng. to come up with a target area for the 2021 CDBG. Many areas were considered and the areas with the most problems will be targeted.

D. Department Head Request

Mayor Schwabe reported on the progress of the Robin Rd., the Karrh Arts Center, and the Community for Action for youth projects.

Councilperson John Parker asked that the council re-visit the junk cars ordinance. Councilperson Faulkner asked how many citizens had been fined. Adm. Lawson stated to date no fines have been issued. Mayor Schwabe stated that there have been a few rough spots and they would be worked out.

Mayor Schwabe announced a citywide clean up for April 17, 2021 from 8:00am to 12:00pm. He asked all citizens to participate and join in. He stated the city would be feeding the participants of the event with pizza after the cleanup.

An executive session was requested by Mayor Schwabe for a personnel issue. Motion was made to enter into executive session.

Motion by: Stevens Seconded : Stafford Vote by show of hands 6-0

Council re-enter regular session with no action being taken in executive session.

Submitted: Al L. Lawson, City Adm.