

City Council Meeting

April 04, 2011

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, April 04, 2011, at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall.

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

Members Absent: None

Prayer of Invocation: Councilperson Collins

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting was made.

Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Edenfield 6-0

A. Consensus Business

None

B. New Business

1. Council heard the request for an alcoholic beverage application (for advertisement only) from Leonard Bennett Jr dba Mojo's Wine and Spirits located on South Main St. for beer, wine, and liquor package only. Motion to advertise was made.

Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Stroud 6-0

2. DDA Director Lynn Brinson representing the DDA addressed council requesting to close Roger Shaw St on June 11, 2011 from 7:00am to 11:00am for the Ultimate Yard Sale. She presented a map showing the requested areas. Motion was made to grant the request.

Motion: by Faulkner Seconded: by Stroud 6-0

3. Mayor Schwabe presented a letter addressed to the Mayor and Council from Bill Rogers and Kenny Griffin representing the Chamber of Commerce stating concerns over the amount of trash piled in front of businesses, delapidated buildings falling down, junk cars and debris, and property left unattended in our main corridor areas. They were asking council to address these unsightly areas. Mayor Schwabe asked council if they were willing to take a stand and do what was necessary to get these areas cleaned up. Council agreed. Mayor Schwabe suggested a committee to identify these areas that needs addressing. Motion was made to establish a committee to identify areas of concern to bring to council for action.

Motion: by Edenfield Seconded: by Stafford 6-0 Mayor Schwabe appointed the following committee:

Chair Mayor Pro Tem Collins

Jerry Cadle, Chairperson of the DDA

Gloria Mason, Chairperson of the Planning and Zoning Commission

Bruce Kirby, Building Inspector

Chamber Representative

C. Old Business

1. Council heard the second reading of the ordinance to add a Land Burning Ordinance to the city code.

D. Committee Reports

Police: Councilperson Faulkner reported everything routine. Assistant Chief Young was present to give an update of the department.

Executive: Councilperson Stroud had no report.

Public Works: Councilperson Parker gave council a list of roads that needed to be resurfaced. He stated that it would cost approximately \$300,000 to resurface these streets. Councilperson Parker stated that some of the upcoming SPLOST money would be allocated for this purpose.

Councilperson Edenfield stated the citizens on Race Track St. were very appreciative of the speed bumps installed in their area.

Recycle: Councilperson Parker had no report.

Fire: Councilperson Stafford reported everything routine at the Fire Department. He reported that the repairs on fire station one had started.

Recreation: Councilperson Collins everything routine. They are into baseball and softball season.

Airport: No Report

Water & WW: Councilperson Edenfield everything routine. Adm. Lawson reported that the bonds for the new project have been approved and will be forthcoming and the projects will be starting soon.

Downtown Development: Lynn had reported the Market at the Boneyard is up and running. Joan Dunn is the overseer and that a lot of spaces have been rented. She reminded everyone of the ribbon cutting on April 7^{th} at 5:30pm.

Administrative: Adm. Lawson had no report.

Mayor: Mayor Schwabe reported the Development Authority announced the coming of a new industry. Hot Set of Germany would be locating their new facility in Swainsboro. This will be their only location in the United States. Mayor Schwabe thanked the council for their cooperation in helping to obtain this new industry.

He reported on the march held on March 24 and stated this would be an ongoing effort to help our community. He stated he will continue to work with Terrance Williams in this effort.

Mayor Schwabe signed a proclamation at Southeastern Tech for their Child Development Program.

Mayor Schwabe asked that a work session be held on April 18, 2011 at 6:00pm to cover some issues that needed to be addressed.

Councilperson Collins stated she was concerned about the youth and jobs in the community.

Councilperson Faulkner asked that her committee meet Friday at 3:00 o'clock.

Council Adjourned

Submitted: Al L Lawson, City Administrator