

City Council Meeting

July 07, 2014

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, July 07, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall

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

Members Absent:

Prayer of Invocation: Rev. Eugene Davis

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting was made. Motion: by Faulkner Seconded: by Stroud 6-0

Mayor Schwabe recognized and congratulated Councilperson Stroud for her Award she received at the Georgia Municipal Association meeting in Savannah in June.

A. Consensus Business

None

B. New Business

1. Council heard the application, for advertisement only, of Roger Richards dba New Image 406 North Coleman St. for beer and wine consumption on the premises. Motion was made to advertise.

Motion: by Faulkner Seconded: by Parker 6-0

2. Administrator Lawson presented some properties that Bonnie Waters wanted to donate to the city. He explained she had moved off and the taxes had not been paid and the land would be foreclosed on. He contacted Mrs. Waters and she wanted to give the property to the city. Motion was made to accept the property.

Motion: by Stroud Seconded: by Stafford 6-0

3. Lenard Richards spoke to council about the parking spaces on West Main not being painted back by the Department of Transportation. Mayor Schwabe stated he was in contact with the DOT and it was his understanding it would be painted with in the next couple of months. Mr. Richards also spoke about the large trucks on the street. Mayor Schwabe agreed this was a problem but did not know of a solution because there is no by-pass on the east side of town.

4. Amanda Washington addressed council about her concerns with a house on the corner of Gumlog Rd. and McLeod Bridge Rd. owned by Annie Mae Kemp. She stated the house is dilapidated and needs tearing down. Mayor Schwabe explained the procedure and what needed to be done. Councilperson Faulkner stated this had been done and some action needed to be taken. David Kemp the son of the owner was present and addressed council and stated he would be repairing the house within the next thirty days. Mayor Schwabe asked Councilperson Faulkner to meet with Mr. Kemp, Building Inspector Bruce Kirby and work out a schedule for completion.

C. Old Business

D. Committee Reports

Police: Councilperson Stafford gave the June Police Report.

Public Works: Councilperson Parker reported about the overgrowth of the streets and the grass on the sides need cutting.

Councilperson Parker spoke of the servicing of the excavator and Mr. Connolly needed to get with Adm. Lawson to get a PO for the work.

Fire: Councilperson Collins reported everything routine.

Fire Chief Strobridge reported that the city had purchased some surplus material from the Candler County Board of Education for the new Fire Station.

Chief Strobridge stated the department should be hearing from ISO on the reclassification anytime.

Chief Strobridge ask to employ a part time Firefighter to help curtail some of the overtime. The firefighter is Mike Lambert, a first class firefighter who has recently moved in the area. He could cover some of the shifts as needed. Motion was made to hire Mr. Lambert on a part time basis.

Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Collins 6-0

Recreation: Councilperson Faulkner reported the Recreation Dept. was running

smoothly.

Airport: No Report

Executive: No Report

Water & WW: Councilperson Edenfield reported the EPD has done the final inspection on the Waste Water Treatment Plant and we are waiting on our new permit.

Downtown Development: DDA Director Lynn Brinson had no report.

Administrative: Councilperson Stroud reported that the personnel committee from city hall had interviewed some applicants for part time employment and ask council to consider the recommendation of Brittany Sable Screws for part time employment. Motion was made to accept the recommendation.

Motion: by Stroud Seconded: by Edenfield 6-0

Building Inspection: No Report

Mayor : Mayor Schwabe stated that he had received a lot of complaints about golf carts. He asked Councilpersons Collins, Edenfield, and Stafford to get with Chief Ellison and explore the rules and regulations of golf carts in the streets.

Meeting was adjourned.

Submitted: Al L Lawson, City Administrator