



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



GEORGIA

**City Council Meeting**

**October 06, 2014**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, October 06, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall

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

**Members Absent:** Edenfield

**Prayer of Invocation:** Rev. Paul Leigh, Sr. Pastor First Baptist Church

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting was made.

**Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Stroud 5-0**

Mayor Schwabe recognized a long time businessman who has recently closed his business for retirement. Mr. Bonnie Ogburn was the 2014 October Our Town Hero. Mr. Ogburn shared some of his stories with council. Many family and friends were present to honor Mr. Ogburn.

**A. Consensus Business**

None

**B. New Business**

1. DDA Director Lynn Brinson spoke to council about the Fall Festival planned for October 23, 2014. She requested that Roger Shaw St. be closed for safety purposes. Motion was made to grant the request.

**Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Stroud 5-0**

**C. Old Business**

1. Adm. Lawson presented the 2015 budget. Mayor Schwabe announced this was a Public Hearing and was anyone present to speak for or against the proposed budget. No one responded. Adm. Lawson reminded council there will be a milage DECREASE from 19.262 to 19.140, a \$2.00 add on fee for the new inert landfill as required by EPD, and NO INCREASE in water rates.

Department	2014 Budget	2015 Budget	Increase over 2014 Budget	Percent Increase
Administrative Department	\$694,544.93	\$713,793.85	\$19,248.92	2.77%
Airport	\$238,341.78	\$395,487.83	\$157,146.05	65.93%
Airport - City Hangers	\$23,571.04	\$5,000.00	-\$18,571.04	-78.79%
Animal Control	\$129,871.58	\$131,469.49	\$1,597.91	1.23%
Building Department	\$74,906.39	\$75,217.96	\$311.57	0.42%
Cultural Arts	\$203,205.00	\$202,220.50	-\$984.50	-0.48%
Downtown Development	\$77,869.46	\$78,185.06	\$315.60	0.41%
Hotel/Motel Tax Expense	\$40,136.00	\$54,136.00	\$14,000.00	34.88%
Fire Department	\$882,910.83	\$941,711.66	\$58,800.83	6.66%
Police Department	\$1,682,686.27	\$1,696,558.53	\$13,872.26	0.82%
Public Works	\$1,351,801.74	\$1,320,369.16	-\$31,432.58	-2.33%
Sanitation & Recycle Dept	\$670,579.92	\$670,358.37	-\$221.55	-0.03%
Recreation Department	\$743,483.92	\$773,597.74	\$30,113.82	4.05%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$6,813,908.87</b>	<b>\$7,058,106.15</b>	<b>\$244,197.28</b>	<b>3.58%</b>

Total Estimated Revenue	\$6,813,908.87	\$7,058,106.15	\$244,197.28	3.58%
Contingency	\$80,000.00			
<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>		
Water Department	\$2,116,024.24	\$2,117,014.48	\$990.24	0.05%

Motion was made to accept the 2015 budget as presented.

**Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Parker 5-0**

2. Council heard the second reading of the proposed Motorized Cart Ordinance. A Public Hearing and vote will be held on November 3, 2014 at 6:00p.m.

3. Council heard the application, of Satish Chandrakant Patel dba Excel Petroleum LLC/Sunoco 350 East Main St. for beer and wine package only. Mayor Schwabe announced this was a Public Hearing and was anyone present to speak for or against the application. Motion was made to grant request for application.

**Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Parker 5-0**

4. Council heard the application, of Bobby Jenkins dba BJ's Sports Bar 112 South Central St. for beer and wine consumption on the premises. Mayor Schwabe announced this was a Public Hearing and was anyone present to speak for or against the application. Motion was made to grant request for application.

**Motion: by Faulkner Seconded: by Parker 5-0**

#### **D. Committee Reports**

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

**Public Works:** Councilperson Parker reported the side arm has been repaired and will be replaced in next years budget.

**Fire:** Councilperson Collins reported everything routine. The work is proceeding on the new Fire Station.

**Recreation:** Councilperson Faulkner reported the Recreation Dept. has started football and soccer.

**Airport:** No Report

**Executive:** No Report

**Water & WW:** No Report

**Downtown Development:** DDA Director Lynn Brinson reported the Fall Festival will be held on October 23, 2014 and the Christmas Parade will be on December 4, 2014. She stated that there will be three new restaurants opening in the downtown area in October.

**Administrative:** Councilperson Stroud reported that City Hall is working on accepting credit cards and hopes to be online by the first of 2015.

**Building Inspection:** No report

**Mayor:** Reported he would be meeting with Dr. Boehmer from EGSC to plan the future partnerships with the city and the college.

**Meeting was adjourned.**

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