



CITY OF
Swainsboro GEORGIA
Crossroads of the Great South

City Council Meeting

November 01, 2021

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was held Monday, November 01, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. at the Swainsboro City Hall.

Members Present: Sconyers, Stafford, Parker, Collins, & Faulkner

Prayer of Invocation: Bishop Bertha Jones, Williams Grove Church

Minutes were considered from the October 25, 2021 called meeting and motion was made to accept minutes.

Motion by: Faulkner Seconded : Parker Passed 5-0

A. Consensus Business

None

B. New Business

1. Fire Chief Mike Strobridge presented the council a check from the ISO - Insurance Safety Commission in the amount of \$600,492.70. Chief Strobridge spoke about how the training and other requirements affect the amount the city receives each year.

2. Shane Cox with Clearwater Solutions presented three quotes for repairs at Well #9, Well #4 and Lift Station #15. Council considered these request and approved all three requests.

Layne	\$7,500.00	Well #9
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Goforth Williamson	\$5,726.00	Lift Station #15

Motion by: Stafford Seconded by: Sconyers passed 5-0

3. Stanley Wimberly from Men Reaching Men Outreach spoke about the upcoming Prayer Vigil at the Swainsboro Boneyard Pavilion on November 20, 2021 at 3 P.M.

4. Councilperson Faulkner presented a request from Al Huston to rename the Gumlog Park to Gerald R. Phillips Community Park. Motion was made by Councilperson Faulkner to rename the park and purchase a sign reflecting the name change.

Motion by: Faulkner Seconded : Stafford Passed 5-0

5. Greg Bennett submitted a request for water and sewer services for a new subdivision on Fairground Road. Mr. Bennett stated that it would cost the city approximately \$76,000 to run sewer and \$20,000 to run water to this new subdivision. Mr. Bennett stated that the cost of this project would be offset by the increased tax and water revenue.

Motion by: Parker Seconded : Faulkner Passed 5-0

6. Council heard the second reading for an application for a name change on an alcoholic license (for advertisement only) from Clint Derek Crews dba Walgreens located at 390 South Main Street.

7. Motion was made by Councilperson Parker to approved the adoption of the Language Access Plan.

Motion by: Parker Seconded : Faulkner Passed 5-0

8. Council spoke about the American Rescue Act. Councilperson Faulkner requested that we ask Mr. Willie Burns come speak with the council regarding the American Rescue Act.

9. Mayor Schwabe gave the council an update on the Gym project and the Theater project.

C. Old Business

1. Mayor Schwabe stated we will not ratify the 2022 millage rated due to an error on the 5 year history ad. The corrections will be made an re-advertised. Motion was made by Councilperson Sconyers to poll the council by email on November 4, 2021 to ratify the millage rate.

Motion by: Sconyers Seconded : Faulkner Passed 5-0

2. Councilperson Faulkner asked for an update on the Robin Road Project. Mayor Schwabe stated he would check on the easements for the project.

3. Motion was made by Councilperson Faulkner to go into executive session to discuss a personnel issue.

Motion by: Faulkner Seconded : Stafford Passed 5-0

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 1st day of November 2021. 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 1st day of November 2021, which was closed for the purpose of personnel discussion requested by Councilperson John E. Parker 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. §50-14-4(b) that such an affidavit be executed.

This 1st day of November, 2021

Motion to re-enter Regular Session.

Motion by: Parker Seconded by: Faulkner

Voted on 5-0

No action was taken from executive session.

Motion was made by Councilperson Stafford to adjourn.

Motion by: Stafford Seconded by: Sconyers

Voted on 5-0

Submitted:  Interim City Administrator