#### City Council Meeting July 07, 2008



The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, July 07, 2008, at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall

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

### Members Absent:

Prayer of Invocation: Councilperson Edenfield

Motion to accept previous minutes as presented. **Motion : by Stafford Seconded : by Stroud Absent - Parker, Collins Passed : 4-0** 

### A. New Business

1. Administrator Lawson presented a request from the Swainsboro Jaycees for the 2008 Grant from the Hotel/Motel Tax for \$3,000 in support of the July 4th Fireworks project. He stated this was a budgeted item. Motion was made to honor the request.

Motion : by Faulkner Seconded : by Edenfield Passed : 4-0 Absent - Parker, Collins

2. DDA Director Anthony Faris presented a recommendation from the DDA for a new web page designer. He reported that the Georgia Rural Development Center was helping in the selection of the designer. He sent out proposals for the website and received 3 bids from Dwight Watt, Kask Creativity, and Chamber Express. After examining the quote with the assistance of the Ga Rural Dev Center Kask Creativity was selective for a cost of \$2500 setup cost and \$39 per month. The Ga Rural Dev center would give the city a grant of \$1500 to help with the setup cost. Council discussed paying it's portion out of the Hotel/Motel receipts. Adm Lawson reported that this would qualify for those funds. Motion was then made to accept the recommendation from the DDA and hire Kask Creativity to design a new website for the city.

Motion : by Stafford Seconded : by Faulkner Defeated 2-4 Opposed - Edenfield, Stroud, Parker, Collins

# **B.** Old Business

1. Council heard the alcoholic beverage request of Ashok Patel dba Andy's #7 508 NorthMain St. for beer and wine package only. Motion was made to grant license.Motion : by Edenfield Seconded : by ParkerPassed : 5-1

**Opposed - Faulkner** 

2. Council heard the alcoholic beverage request of Donald Hall dba VFW 689 Kite Hwy for beer and wine consumption of premises. Motion was made to grant license. **Motion : by Parker Seconded : by Stafford Passed : 6-0** 

# C. Committee Reports

**Police:** Councilperson Stafford presented the Police Report. The Police Department will take possession of the new building on July 15, 2008.

Police Chief Shuman Reported on the activities of the holidays.

Police Chief Shuman reported that the kickoff meeting for the pilot program for the Swainsboro Neighborhood Watch was scheduled for July 28<sup>th</sup> at Sandra McCuen's home. This would be the organizational meeting to get the Neighborhood Watch pilot program started.

Mayor Schwabe commended the Police Department on the way they have stepped up and working extra hard on the most recent projects.

Mayor Schwabe also asked that the police fines be looked at to see if it comparable with other surrounding areas. Motion was made to ask Chief Shuman to look at this and bring a report back to city council with a recommendation.

Motion : by Stroud Seconded : by Stafford Passed : 6-0

Building and Safety: Councilperson Faulkner had no report .

Executive: No Report

Public Works: Councilperson Collins reported everything routine.

Recycle: Councilperson Collins reported operations normal.

**Fire :** Councilperson Parker reported a new warning signal would be considered for the new budget.

**Recreation:** Councilperson Stroud reported everything routine.

Airport: Councilperson Edenfield had no report.

**Water & WW:** Councilperson Edenfield reported that well #9 would be back in service around Oct 08. He reported that lift station #9 was completely overhauled and back running at 100% capacity.

Administrative: Administrator Lawson informed council it was time for the correctional inmate crew's contract to be renewed. He informed council that the contract has been increased from \$37,000 to \$39,500. After a discussion of need for the details motion was made to renew the contract for the Emanuel and Treutlen County Details at \$37,500 each. One crew for the Public Works Department and one crew for the Recycling Department. Motion: by Stroud Seconded: by Stafford Passed: 6-0

**Mayor:** Mayor Schwabe reported that he along with others from the Emanuel County Development Authority, the County and the State had met with Huber Wood Product and the OSB Mill was still in the planning. He reported that Huber will still be putting a plant in Swainsboro when the building market turns around.

**Council Adjourned** 

Submitted: M & Lawson , City Administrator