



CITY OF
Swainsboro GEORGIA
Crossroads of the Great South

City Council Meeting

December 06, 2021

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council was held Monday, December 06, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. at the Swainsboro City Hall.

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

Prayer of Invocation: Assistant Pastor Cameron Kennison, Southside Baptist Church

Minutes were considered from the November 01, 2021 called meeting and motion was made to accept minutes.

Motion by: Sconyers Seconded : Stafford Passed 6-0

A. Consensus Business

None

B. New Business

1. Councilperson David Davis, III was sworn into office by Judge Don Wilkes to fill the unexpired term of Ward #1.

2. Fire Chief Strobridge presented a request for the purchase of a new fire vehicle in the amount of \$40,843.77. Strobridge stated this was a budgeted item and requested council's approval to proceed with the purchase.

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

3. Council considered a formal request from Mojo Bennett Enterprises (Gregg Bennett) for the annexation of approximately 21 acres on Fairground Road. A motion was made to proceed with the annexation.

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

4. Council considered a request from James May, Jr. on the Abandonment of Right of Way of Unused City Street.

Motion by: Parker Seconded : Stafford Passed 6-0

5. Council considered a name change request on an alcoholic beverage license from Kimberly Adams dba Moose Lodge 1930 located at 206 Harmon Drive. Motion was made to advertise.

Motion by: Stafford Seconded : Parker Passed 6-0

6. Councilperson Parker made a motion to amend the agenda to include request from Tim Mitchell from Clearwater Solutions.

Motion by: Parker Seconded : Faulkner Passed 6-0

7. Tim Mitchell presented a quote from JWC in the amount of \$24,425.02 for repairs at the wastewater treatment plant. Mr. Mitchell stated this quote is from a sole source provider.

Motion by: Sconyers Seconded : Stafford Passed 6-0

8. Council approved the adoption of the amended Georgia Municipal Association 401(a) Defined Contribution Plan.

Motion by: Parker Seconded : Faulkner Passed 6-0

9. Council considered the installation of an alarm system for city hall. Motion was made to install 6 panic buttons and the dialer system.

Motion by: Parker Seconded : Faulkner Passed 6-0

10. Councilperson Parker presented a request for a 3% cost of living raise for all qualified full-time city employees. Councilperson Parker also requested that this raise be retroactive back to December 1, 2021.

Motion by: Parker Seconded : Faulkner Passed 6-0

11. Councilperson Parker presented a request for competitive compensation for firefighters. Motion was made to postpone this request until the January 3, 2022 meeting.

Motion by: Parker Seconded : Collins Passed 6-0

12. Council discussed the hiring of an Interim Director for the ARPA monies. No action was taken.

13. Council considered three quotes for Archaeological studies for the in the CDBG project work area. Nutter & Associates bid is for a visual inspection only and would not be sufficient. Motion was made by Councilperson Parker to accept the bid from R.S. Webb & Associates.

Nutter & Associates	\$ 2,980.00
R. S. Webb & Associates	\$ 6,136.00
LAMAR Institute, Inc.	\$10,588.65

Motion by: Parker Seconded : Sconyers Passed 6-0

14. Councilperson Parker requested the ad for a city administrator be rescinded. Motion made by Councilperson Parker to rescind ad.

Motion by: Parker Seconded : Faulkner Defeated 4-3

For: Collins Against: Sconyers, Stafford, Davis, Schwabe

15. Councilperson Sconyers stated that Mr. Al Lawson helped the city obtain almost 3 million in grants over the last year. Councilperson Sconyers recommended that the city reward Mr. Lawson with a 1% bonus of the amount of grant monies received over the last year.

Motion by: Sconyers Seconded : Stafford Defeated 4-2

Against: Davis, Faulkner, Parker, Collins

C. Old Business

1. Council voted to ratify the email poll from November 4, 2021 setting the millage rate at 14.405.

Motion by: Parker Seconded : Davis Passed 6-0

2. Council approved the alcoholic beverage license name change request from Clint Derek dba Walgreens located at 390 South Main Street.

Motion by: Stafford Seconded : Sconyers Passed 6-0

Motion was made by Councilperson Parker to adjourn.

Motion by: Stafford Seconded : Stafford Passed 6-0

Submitted: Melissa Kirby, Interim City Administrator