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City Council Meeting

May 02, 2011

The regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council, held Monday, May 02, 2011, at 6:00 P.M. at Swainsboro City Hall.

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

Members Absent: Edenfield

Prayer of Invocation: Councilperson Faulkner

Motion to accept minutes from the previous meeting was made.

Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Faulkner 5-0

Mayor Schwabe presented the “Our Home Town Hero” Award. He explained that the city would be giving this award each month to a citizen who displays an extra effort to make our town better. Mayor Schwabe presented the May Home Town Hero Award to Carl Lee Jr. Mr Lee is a graduate of Swainsboro High School and Georgia Southern University. He owns his own business in Swainsboro and is a mentor to the youth of our community. He offers free hair cuts to youth that can not afford them at the beginning of each school year. He is a Sunday School teacher and leader in the community. Assisting with the presentation was Mayor Pro Tem Collins. For his love of his community he is the perfect “Home Town Hero”.

A. Consensus Business

1. Council awarded a 2011 budget grant to the Swainsboro Shrine Club in the amount of \$500.00.

Motion: by Parker Seconded: by Stroud 5-0

B. New Business

1. Council heard the request for an alcoholic beverage application (for advertisement only) from Shelly Moore dba Jade Rabbit Restaurant and Bar located on 114 West Main St. for beer, wine, and mixed drink consumption on the premises . Motion to advertise was made.

Motion: by Faulkner Seconded: by Stroud 5-0

C. Old Business

1. Council considered the adoption of an ordinance to add a Land Burning Ordinance to the city code.

Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Parker 5-0

2. Council heard the request for an alcoholic beverage application from Leonard Bennett Jr dba Mojo’s Wine and Spirits located on South Main St. for beer, wine, and liquor package only. Motion to approve was made.

Motion: by Stafford Seconded: by Faulkner 5-0

3. Councilperson Faulkner reported that her committee had met and reviewed the request from Police Chief Ellison to consider a family medical leave act that would give council the right to review the employment status of any employee that has been out on medical leave for 14 weeks. She reported that a recommendation from the committee was:

The city establish an act stating that after an employee has been out 14 weeks on medical leave they may be brought before council for review and determination of employment status.

Motion was made to accept this recommendation.

Motion: by Faulkner Seconded: by Parker 5-0

D. Committee Reports

Police: Councilperson Faulkner reported everything routine. Assistant Chief Young was present to give an update of the department.

Executive: Councilperson Stroud had no report.

Public Works: Councilperson Parker is working on re-routing of some city routes in order to save money.

Recycle: Councilperson Parker had no report.

Fire: Councilperson Stafford reported all the repairs have been finished on station one. Chief Strobridge reported that the city had assisted in mutual aid with the Clinch County fires.

Recreation: Councilperson Collins everything routine. They are preparing for the Pine Tree Festival at the Recreation Center.

Airport: No Report

Water & WW: Councilperson Edenfield was absent.

Downtown Development: Lynn had no report.

Administrative: Adm. Lawson gave an update on the status of the Water Tank Project and the Waste Water Treatment Project.

Mayor : Mayor Schwabe reminded everyone about the planning for the 2012 budget. Administrator Lawson stated it needed to be completed by Aug 1st. Mayor Schwabe asked Department Heads to cut their budgets by 20%.

Mayor Pro Tem Collins congratulated Mayor Schwabe on his recent appointment to the Secretary of State's Elections Advisory Council.

Council Adjourned

Submitted: Al L Lawson, City Administrator