

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Newnan, Georgia was held on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. in the Richard A. Bolin Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Keith Brady presiding.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brady called the meeting to order and delivered the invocation.

PRESENT

Mayor Keith Brady: Council members present: Cynthia E. Jenkins; Dustin Koritko; Ray DuBose; George Alexander; Clayton Hicks and Rhodes Shell. City Manager, Cleatus Phillips; City Clerk, Della Hill; Planning Director, Tracy Dunnavant; Public Works Director, Michael Klahr; City Attorney, Brad Sears and Police Chief, Douglas (Buster) Meadows.

MINUTES – REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING – FEBRUARY 9, 2016

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Regular Council meeting for February 9, 2016 and adopt them as presented.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

BOY SCOUT TROOP 47 CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH

Mayor Brady welcomed a visitor from Boy Scout Troop 47 Central Baptist Church working on his Citizenship and Community Badge on his road to Eagle.

APPOINTMENT – NEWNAN YOUTH ACTIVITIES COMMISSION

Mayor Brady asked the City Manager to place this appointment on the agenda for the next meeting.

APPOINTMENT – URBAN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Motion by Councilman Hicks, seconded by Councilman Alexander to appoint Scott Cosby to the Urban Redevelopment Agency to fill the unexpired position which will expire April 2017.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

APPOINTMENTS – CHRISTMAS COMMISSION

Motion by Councilman Hicks, seconded by Councilman Alexander to appoint Allie Holloman to the Christmas Commission to fill the unexpired position which expires February 2018.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

Mayor Brady asked the City Manager to place Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins's appointment to the Christmas Commission on the agenda for the next meeting.

APPOINTMENTS - KEEP NEWNAN BEAUTIFUL

Mayor Brady asked the City Manager to place these two appointments to the Keep Newnan Beautiful Commission on the agenda for the next meeting.

**APPOINTMENTS – STEERING COMMITTEE – COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE
2016 – 2036 PROCESS**

Motion by Mayor Brady, seconded by Councilman Alexander to appoint Robert Hancock to the Steering Committee for the Comprehensive Plan Update 2016 – 2036.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Hicks to appoint Robert Coggin to the Steering Committee for the Comprehensive Plan Update 2016 – 2036.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

Motion by Councilman DuBose, seconded by Councilman Alexander to appoint Beth Barnett to the Steering Committee for the Comprehensive Plan Update 2016 -2016.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

Motion by Councilman Hicks, seconded by Councilman Alexander to appoint Jim Thomasson to the Steering Committee for the Comprehensive Plan Update 2016 – 2036.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

Mayor Brady asked the City Manager to place Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins, Councilman Koritko and Councilman Shell's appointments to the Steering Committee for the Comprehensive Plan Update 2016 – 2036 on the agenda for the next meeting.

OFF AGENDA – ZIKA VIRUS – INFORMATION ONLY

Mayor Brady informed Council and the Community he and Staff members had a meeting with the State Health Department recently regarding the Zika virus. In July of last year the City suspended the program for mosquitoes because we were out of the product. At this point and time we think it is important to go back to the State Health Department and develop a program that will include education, motoring and enforcement. Staff will be developing this along with the Department of Health and present back to Council.

CLOSED POINT OF DISPENSING SITE MOU BETWEEN COWETA COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY OF NEWNAN

The City Manager stated this is to establish a partnership and cooperative agreement between Coweta County Health Department and the City of Newnan in order to provide an effective and rapid response during a public health emergency for City employees and family members who live in immediate household of employee – not open to general public.

Motion by Councilman DuBose, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins to approve the Closed Point of Dispensing Site Memorandum of Understanding between Coweta County Health Department and the City of Newnan.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

SURPLUS PROPERTY DECLARATION AND DISPOSITION

Staff recommends Council declare as surplus the equipment listed on the attached Surplus Property Schedule and grant authorization for the disposal of such.

Motion by Councilman DuBose, seconded by Councilman Alexander to declare as surplus the equipment listed on the attached Surplus Property Schedule and grant authorization for the disposal of such.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

PERFORMANCE AGREEMENTS – BETWEEN THE CITY OF NEWNAN, GEORGIA AND PERFORMERS FOR WADSWORTH EVENT

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Hicks to approve the performance agreements between the City of Newnan, Georgia and performers for the March 12, 2016 Wadsworth Event sponsored by the Newnan Cultural Arts Commission.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

RECOMMENDATION – PROPOSED HANDICAP PARKING SPACES ADJACENT TO VETERAN’S PLAZA AT TEMPLE AVENUE PARK

The City Manager stated at the last City Council meeting staff offered recommendation regarding a proposed \$11,000 change order to construct two (2), off street, handicap accessible parking spaces along the south side of Temple Avenue in close proximity to the Veteran’s Plaza at Temple Park. After a detailed analysis of other possible solutions, staff is recommending that some type of parking spaces remain in the originally proposed location due to the volume of traffic on Jackson Street and also modifications to the new Street scape sidewalk recently installed. After checking with Public Works Department we plan to construct the spaces in house at a substantial cost savings of about \$6,000. In regards to the parking spaces at the entrance and exit of McKoon’s, we agree there is an issue and are in the process of revising a new plan, either elimination of the first parking space at each driveway or restriping.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Koritko to approve the recommendation by staff to construct two handicap parking spaces on Temple in the originally proposed location and the City’s Street Department construct the spaces in house.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

CONTINUE DISCUSSION OF CAPITAL PROJECTS

The City Manager stated as discussed about a month ago the need to prioritize the capital projects. We discussed four (4) capital projects and also the debt service for the University of West Georgia. Fire Station #4 is low priority and can be moved to the bottom of list.

The Howard Warner Project is just over \$4,000,000 and approximately \$1,700,000 is already allocated. He presented different alternatives to consider reducing the cost of the project.

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| 1) White Box Lower Floor | (\$581,933) |
| 2) Smaller Lower Floor | (\$313,240) |
| 3) Gym – Remove Kitchen | (\$12,090) |
| 4) Gym – Full Brick on Front only | (\$43,152) |
| 5) Deduct Playground | (\$52,000) |

Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins would like to keep the kitchen option 3; class rooms finished option 2; and brick all four sides.

The City Manager would like to continue this until the next Council meeting to consider funding.

Municipal Building Phase 1 – estimated cost \$1,642,000 - Allocated resources \$0
No alternates to consider at this time. This project has not entered into the design phase. The concept plan includes interior renovations and limited exterior stabilization.

Municipal Building Phase 2 – estimated cost \$698,000 – Allocated resources \$0
No alternates to consider at this time. Project has not entered into the design phase. The concept plan is pretty basic including only stage access improvements and new bathrooms.

If you combined these three projects you are looking at a deficit of \$4.2 million. A decision needs to be made on how to fund these projects.

Mayor Brady said he met with the City Manager and went over the numbers and cash flow ramifications before the meeting and also SPLOST money that has to be paid back for other projects. He wants everyone to understand the impact of this and how it works. He would like each Council member if they need to sit down with the City Manager to go over the impact and how it works.

Councilman Koritko asked about the effect of using the fund balance for these projects and would this put the City in a financial hardship in two or three years down the road.

The City Manager stated his biggest concern was road maintenance, as the city maintains approximately 180 miles of roadway. The five-year window for repairing approximately 50 percent of those is approaching.

Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins stated this project has been on two SPLOST ballots county wide.

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins to place the Howard Warner Project and Municipal Building Phase 1 and 2 Projects on the agenda for the March 10, 2016 Council meeting for a recommendation on funding.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

REQUEST – WASTE INDUSTRIES – INCREASE IN SERVICE FEE PER TERMS OF EXISTING CONTRACT

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins to approve the Service Fee adjustment of 3% which will add \$.45 per cart per month to the resident's current rate for a total new rate of \$15.74 for the Solid Waste Collection, Recycling, Transportation and Disposal Services. Opposed: Hicks.

MOTION CARRIED. (6 – 0 - 1)

REQUEST – FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH – BLOCK BROWN STREET FROM WEST WASHINGTON TO MADISON STREET – DURING VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Hicks to approve the request by First Baptist Church to block Brown Street from West Washington Street to Madison Street from 8:00 am to 12:30 pm – June 20th – June 24th during Vacation Bible School.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

REQUEST – NATHAN THOMPSON – HOLD ANNUAL VETERAN’S DAY PARADE

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins to approve the request by Nathan Thompson to hold the Annual Veteran’s Day Parade to begin at 9:30 am on Long Place and end at the Veteran’s Plaza on Friday, November 11, 2016.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

REQUEST – DEPHANIE HILL – HOLD “STOP THE VIOLENCE RALLY AND PARADE”

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Koritko to approve the request by Dephanie Hill to hold a “Stop the Violence Rally and Parade” on Saturday, April 9, 2016 beginning with the parade at 10:00 am and following with the rally until 4:00 pm.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

OFF AGENDA – ERECT SCAFFOLDING – 14 W BROAD STREET

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins to approve the request for MJC Southside, Inc. to erect scaffolding at Central Baptist Church located at 14 W. Broad Street on portions of the sidewalks bordering W Broad Street and Brown Street sometime in March 2016 and remain in place for no more than sixty days.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

OFF – AGENDA – PRAYER RALLY – GREENVILLE STREET

Debra Harris is asking for Council’s support and participation for a Prayer Rally at Greenville Street Park on April 16, 2016 from 9 - 11. We need prayer for our City, State, County and Nation.

OFF AGENDA – SIDE WALK

Clarence Bohannon asked Council to check on installing sidewalk on Ray Street.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Alexander that we now enter into closed session as allowed by O.C.G.A. §50-14-4 and pursuant to advice by the City Attorney, for the purpose of discussing real estate issues and that we, in open session adopt a resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor or presiding officer to execute an affidavit in compliance with O.C.G.A. §50-14-4, and that this body ratify the actions of the Council taken in closed session and confirm that the subject matters of the closed session were within exceptions permitted by the open meetings law at 7:30 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 - 0)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

RESOLUTION/MAYOR'S AFFIDAVIT FOR EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Hicks to adopt the resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute the affidavit stating that the subject matter of the closed portion of the Council meeting was within the exceptions provided by O.C.G.A. §50-14-4(b).

MOTION CARRIED. (7 - 0)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins to adjourn the Council meeting at 7:35 pm.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 - 0)

Della Hill, City Clerk

Keith Brady, Mayor