

CITY OF NEWNAN, GEORGIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

JANUARY 9, 2018

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Newnan, Georgia was held on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 at 2:30 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: Ray DuBose; George Alexander, Cynthia E. Jenkins; Clayton Hicks, Rhodes Shell and Dustin Koritko. Also present: City Manager, Cleatus Phillips; City Clerk, Della Hill; Planning Director, Tracy Dunnavant; Assistant City Manager, Hasco Craver; City Attorney, Brad Sears and Police Chief, Douglas (Buster) Meadows.

MINUTES – PUBLIC HEARING BUDGET 2018 – DECEMBER 12, 2017

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman DuBose to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Public Hearing on December 12, 2017 on the 2018 Budget and adopt them as presented.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING – DECEMBER 12, 2017

Motion by Councilman DuBose, seconded by Councilman Hicks to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the Regular Council meeting for December 12, 2017 and adopt them as presented.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURE – EXTENSION – 136 SPRING STREET

The Code Enforcement Officer informed Council the owner is requesting an extension of one hundred (180) days on the substandard structure located at 136 Spring Street.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins, seconded by Councilman Shell to approve an extension for one hundred eighty (180) days for 136 Spring Street to complete the repairs.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

SUBSTANDARD STRUCTURES – STATUS REPORTS: 10 BURCH AVENUE, 286 WEST WASHINGTON, 121 PINSON AND 180 WEST WASHINGTON STREETS

The Code Enforcement Officer informed Council these properties have been before Council with public hearings.

<u>Property</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Resolution Deadline</u>
10 Burch Ave	Abdul S Kader	Progress made	06/10/2018
286 W. Washington St	Irvin Jones Estate	No Progress	02/04/2018
121 Pinson St	Marcus Beasley	Progress made	03/11/2018
180 W Washington St	Render Godfrey	No Progress	03/18/2018

No action needed.

ADJOURNMENT – SINE DIE

Mayor Brady adjourned – Sine Die

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brady called the meeting to order for January 9, 2018.

SWEARING IN CEREMONY

The City Attorney conducts the official swearing in of Mayor Brady; joining him, Katie and four grandchildren. He also conducted the official swearing in of Councilman Ray DuBose and Councilman Rhodes Shell.

POLICE DEPARTMENT - PINNING CEREMONY

The Police Chief informed Council; Lieutenant Jay La Chance was promoted to Deputy Chief of Police Patrol and Training with 23 years of service with the department. His wife pinned his badge and bars.

APPOINTMENT – MAYOR PRO- TEM

Motion by Councilman Shell, seconded by Councilman DuBose to re-appoint Mayor Pro Tem Cynthia Jenkins as Mayor Pro Tem for another term.

MOTION CARRIED. (6 – 0 -1)

APPOINTMENTS – DEPARTMENT HEADS

The City Manager recommended all current department heads be re-appointed for year 2018.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins, seconded by Councilman DuBose to approve the recommendation by City Manager to re-appoint all current Department Heads for year 2018.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

APPOINTMENT – CITY ATTORNEY

Motion by Councilman Shell, seconded by Councilman Koritko to re-appoint Brad Sears as City Attorney for year 2018.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

APPOINTMENT – MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE

Mayor Brady informed Council Municipal Court Judge Rosenzweig retired after serving 30 plus years.

Motion by Mayor Brady, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins to appoint Clay Collins as Municipal Court Judge for year 2018.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

APPOINTMENT – MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE PRO TEM

Motion by Mayor Brady, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins to appoint Rufus Smith as Municipal Court Judge Pro Tem for year 2018.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

APPOINTMENT – NEWNAN CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION – UNEXPIRED TERM

Mayor Brady asked the City Manager to place Councilman Hicks' appointment to the Newnan Cultural Arts Commission on the agenda for the next meeting.

APPOINTMENT – HOUSING AUTHORITY – 5 YEAR TERM

Mayor Brady re-appointed Antoine Martin to the Housing Authority Commission for another five year term. No motion required.

APPOINTMENTS – PARKS COMMISSION – THREE YEAR TERMS

Motion by Mayor Brady seconded by Councilman Alexander to re-appoint Beth Barnett to the Parks Commission for another three (3) year term.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

Mayor Brady asked the City Manager to place Councilman Hicks' appointment to the Parks Commission on the agenda for the next meeting.

APPOINTMENT – PLANNING COMMISSION – THREE YEAR TERM

Mayor Brady asked the City Manager to place Councilman Koritko' s appointment to the Planning Commission on the agenda for the next meeting.

APPOINTMENTS – TREE COMMISSION – THREE YEAR TERMS

Motion by Council Shell, seconded by Councilman Alexander to re-appoint Ellen Wood to the Tree Commission for another three (3) year term.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

Mayor Brady asked the City Manager to place Councilman Hicks' and Councilman Alexander's appointments to the Tree Commission on the agenda for the next meeting.

KEEP NEWNAN BEAUTIFUL – COMMUNITY ORCHARD PROJECT PROPOSAL/ 121 SPRING STREET

Ms. Page Beckwith, Keep Newnan Beautiful, is requesting permission to use the property located at 121 Spring Street to create a Community Orchard.

Motion by Councilman Hicks, seconded by Councilman Alexander to approve the request for Keep Newnan Beautiful to move forward with the Community Orchard Project located at 121 Spring Street.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

PUBLIC HEARING/ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE – ISHAAN PETROLEUM, LLC

Mayor Brady opened a public hearing on the application for a Retail Off Premise (Package) sales license of malt beverages and wine for Ishaan Petroleum LLC located at 10 The Crescent.

A representative was present for the hearing. No one spoke for or against the application. Mayor Brady closed the public hearing. The City Clerk advised that all the documentation had been received and everything was in order.

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman DuBose to approve the application for a Retail Off Premise (Package) sales of malt beverages and wine license for Ishaan Petroleum LLC located at 10 The Crescent.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

ORDINANCE – ADOPTION OF 2018 BUDGET

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Hicks to adopt the Ordinance for the 2018 Budget as presented effective beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2018.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

RESOLUTION – ADOPT 2018 PAY PLAN

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Hicks to adopt the resolution for the 2018 Pay Plan with the amendment.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING – WEST METRO REGIONAL DRUG ENFORCEMENT OFFICE / PERMISSION FOR MOU TO BE SIGNED BY MAYOR AND CHIEF OF POLICE

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Koritko to approve the memorandum of understanding with West Metro Regional Drug Enforcement Office to allow assigned officer to work with task force and authorize Mayor and Chief of Police to sign the MOU.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

BID – JANITORIAL SERVICES – SIX CITY FACILITIES

Motion by Councilman Koritko, seconded by Councilman Alexander to award the bid for Janitorial Services for six (6) City facilities to Beck Facility Services in the amount of \$86,642.82.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

CHANGE ORDER – PIEDMONT PAVING, INC. – ADDITIONAL WORK

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Hicks to approve the change order for repairs and paving of various streets under the LMIG 2018 program to Piedmont Paving, Inc. estimated cost for additional work will be \$148,000.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

DISCUSSION – DOWNTOWN SANITATION PROGRAM

The Assistant City Manager stated the Council instructed Staff to develop an action plan aimed at measuring the City's ability to construct and manage a sanitation program. In

August Council voted to proceed with the creation of an ordinance amendment to codify regulations for the collection of solid waste in the Central Business District of the City. The program is being managed by the existing Sanitation Fund, which operates as an Enterprise Fund. We agree the program has issues that should be examined more closely. Several business owners spoke about the drastic rate increase along with the six day pick up. A question was asked why trash collections was taken away from private industry and turned over to the City. Mayor Brady stated the purpose of a city run trash service is built on the foundation of community pride to address the issues of alleyways and the lack of attention to cleaning them up by private trash companies. They have no interest in anything but dumping a can and getting back on the truck. Council suggested a trial period of six months with reduction of 25 or 50 percent for an acceptable period of time to help the business owners to subsidize the program. The City Manager stated after the six month trial period we need to find a long term solution and funding source.

Motion by Councilman Shell, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenkins to approve a reduced fee schedule by 50% for six (6) months using General Fund to cover operating deficit and bring report back to Council in June. Opposed: Koritko.

MOTION CARRIED. (6 – 1)

REQUEST – CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH – PERMANENT CLOSURE OF BROWN STREET

Ms. Summer representing Central Baptist Church presented the proposed request by Central Baptist Church for the abandonment for a portion of Brown Street between West Broad and Spring Streets. They plan to build a two story structure on the property. Their plans are to build a parking facility that doubles the parking that will be available for public parking other than designated church time. The City Attorney advised there are several steps to the process. One major step will be moving the utilities.

Motion by Councilman Shell, seconded by Councilman Hicks to refer the request to Staff to begin the process of providing Council with information to approve or disapprove of the abandonment of Brown Street for Central Baptist Church.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

REQUEST – FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH – HOLD A “ONENESS WALK”

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman DuBose to approve the request by First Baptist Church to hold an “Oneness Walk” on a specific route in the City on March 24, 2018.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilman Alexander, seconded by Councilman Koritko to adjourn the Council meeting at 4:00 pm.

MOTION CARRIED. (7 – 0)

Della Hill, City Clerk

Keith Brady, Mayor