



**CITY OF STATESBORO
Council Minutes
August 04, 2015**

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on August 4th, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor Jan J. Moore, Council Members: Will Britt, Phil Boyum, John Riggs, Gary Lewis and Travis Chance. Also present were Interim City Manager Robert Cheshire, City Clerk Sue Starling, City Attorney Alvin Leaphart, Assistant City Engineer Jason Boyles and Director of Planning and Development Mandi Cody.

The Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Jan Moore.

The Invocation was led by DSDA Director Allen Muldrew.
The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Chance.

Public Comments (Agenda Item): None

Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

A) Approval of Minutes

- a) **07-07-2015 Council Minutes**
- b) **07-07-2015 Executive Session Minutes**
- c) **07-14-2015 Council Work Session Minutes**
- d) **07-21-2015 Council Minutes**

B) Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2015-29: A Resolution approving the uncollected personal property tax bill list for 2014.

C) Consideration of a motion to declare certain items listed as surplus and to dispose of by selling for scrap and depositing any proceeds into the fire fund.

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve the consent agenda as it is written. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Application # AN 15-07-01: Southbridge Community Church requests annexation by 100 percent method and rezoning from R40 (Single Family Residential – Bulloch County) to R40 (Single-Family Residential – City of Statesboro) of 10 acres of property located at Railroad Bed Road Burkhalter Road and Pretoria-Rushing Road (Tax Parcel #107 000014 009).

Consideration of a Motion to accept Resolution 2015-30 for the application of AN 15-07-01

Councilman Riggs made a motion seconded by Councilman Chance to accept **Resolution 2015-30** for the application of **AN 15-07-01**. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to approve first reading of Ordinance 2015-09: An annexation Ordinance for Southbridge Community Church for annexation pursuant to the 100 percent method for ten acres of property located at Burkhalter Road and Pretoria-Rushing Road, and Railroad Bed Road known as Tax Parcel 107 000014 009.

Councilman Chance made a motion seconded by Councilman Riggs to open the public hearing and hear the first reading of Ordinance 2015-09: An annexation Ordinance for Southbridge Community Church for annexation pursuant to the 100 percent method for ten acres of property located at Burkhalter Road and Pretoria-Rushing Road, and Railroad Bed Road known as Tax Parcel 107 000014 009. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Stewart from Southbridge Community Church stated the land is a great opportunity for the church because of the growth and development in this area. Joseph with Southbridge Community Church stated they do have architectural plans for the church as they presented at the right start meeting but did not bring them to the Council meeting. They are not looking for City sewer services but they do need City water for fire protection.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Britt to close the Public Hearing. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Second reading and consideration of a motion to approve Ordinance 2015-08: an Ordinance amending Chapter 66 (solid waste) of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances.

Councilman Boyum made a motion seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve Ordinance 2015-08: an Ordinance amending Chapter 66 (solid waste) of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2015-28: A resolution to approve adjustments to the pay and compensation plan to reclassify (4) Meter Reader Positions to (2) Meter System Technician positions, (1) Water/Sewer Crew Supervisor position and (1) Water/Sewer System Operator position.

Councilman Britt made a motion seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve Resolution 2015-28: A resolution to approve adjustments to the pay and compensation plan to reclassify (4) Meter Reader Positions to (2) Meter System Technician positions, (1) Water/Sewer Crew Supervisor position and (1) Water/Sewer System Operator position. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Update on the current status of the Storm water Management and Utility Program.

Director of Storm Water Marcos Trejo updated Mayor and Council on the Storm Water Management and Utility Program. They have been working on setting up Storm Water Accounts and the billing for this program will start this month. They are looking at a couple of CIP Projects; one is on Beasley Road at Mill Creek Elementary and one on South College Street next to the railroad tracks. He said they are working to get the community informed about this program. They have been doing presentations with some neighborhood associations, fliers have been sent out to explain the program and why it is important. Mr. Trejo stated they hired a Storm Water Technician Kiara Martin and is in the process of hiring a maintenance crew. Currently, they are complaint driven and are investigating these complaints to see the problem areas.

Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2015-33: A resolution of a temporary, ninety day moratorium on Firework Sales.

Councilman Boyum made a motion seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve Resolution 2015-33: An resolution of a temporary, ninety day moratorium on Firework Sales. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a motion to award the purchase of two (2) Ford F-350 4x4 with a utility body to Roberts Truck Center in the amount of \$36,592.84 for each vehicle for a total of \$73,185.68 (2 units). These vehicles are funded under CIP number STM-7 and have a budget total of \$80,000.00 to be paid out of our GMA Lease Pool to be paid back out of funds from the Storm Water Utility program. These trucks will be utilized in the Storm Water Utility Department.

Councilman Riggs made a motion seconded by Councilman Lewis to award the purchase of two (2) Ford F-350 4x4 with a utility body to Roberts Truck Center in the amount of \$36,592.84 for each vehicle for a total of \$73,185.68 (2 units). Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to award the purchase of a Ford F-350 with a utility body to Roberts Truck Center in the amount of \$34,421.84 and to authorize surplus and disposition of a 1994 Ford truck. This vehicle is funded under CIP number STS-74 and has a budget total of \$40,000.00. This truck will be utilized in the Streets Division of Public Works and will be funded by the GMA Lease Pool.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to award the purchase of a Ford F-350 with a utility body to Roberts Truck Center in the amount of \$34,421.84 and to authorize surplus and disposition of a 1994 Ford truck. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a motion to award the purchase of a Ford F-250 with utility body to Roberts Truck Center in the amount of \$29,316.38 and to authorize surplus and disposition of a 2001 Dodge Ram truck. This vehicle is funded under the CIP number PRK-11 and has a budgeted total of \$38,000. This truck will be utilized in the Parks Division of Public Works and will be funded by the GMA Lease Pool.

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to award the purchase of a Ford F-250 with utility body to Roberts Truck Center in the amount of \$29,316.38 and to authorize surplus and disposition of a 2001 Dodge Ram truck. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to award the purchase of three (3) Ford F-405 with utility body trucks to Roberts Truck Center in the amount of \$40,262.84 each for a total of \$120,788.52 (total for all 3). These vehicles are funded under CIP number WWD-102, WWD-114 and WWD-99 and have a total budget of \$135,000. These trucks will be funded by Water Sewer revenues.

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to award the purchase of three (3) Ford F-405 with utility body trucks to Roberts Truck Center in the amount of \$40,262.84 each for a total of \$120,788.52 (total for all 3). Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve the purchase of a 60 Cradlepoint modems in the amount of \$64,215.80 from RCN Communications. This project is PD 1 for Fiscal Year 2016 and is funded by SPLOST2013.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to approve the purchase of 60 Cradlepoint modems in the amount of \$64,215.80 from RCN Communications. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve award of Contract to Southeastern Civil, Inc. for the construction of the "Savannah Avenue Improvements" project in the amount of \$1,847,792.35. The project is being funded using 2007 and 2013 SPLOST funds.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to approve award of Contract to Southeastern Civil, Inc. for the construction of the "Savannah Avenue Improvements" project in the amount of \$1,847,792.35. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to award a contract to perform a job classification and compensation study to Evergreen Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$35,000.00. This will be multi-departmentally funded.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Britt to award a contract to perform a job classification and compensation study to Evergreen Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$35,000.00. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to award the purchase of a CNG powered 31-yard automated refuse truck to New Way per the NJPA coop contract in the amount of \$294,999.96. This item is funded in CIP number SWC-8 in the amount of \$295,000. If approved, the refuse truck will be purchased using 2013 SPLOST funds. If this purchase is approved, it is requested to surplus a 2003 Autocar/Wayne Curbtender refuse truck.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to award the purchase of a CNG powered 31-yard automated refuse truck to New Way per the NJPA coop contract in the amount of \$294,999.96 and to surplus a 2003 Autocar/Wayne Curbtender refuse truck. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2015-32: A Resolution to adopt the first amendment to the Fiscal Year 2016 budget for each fund of the City of Statesboro, Georgia, appropriating the amounts shown in each budget as expenditures/expenses, adopting the several items of revenue anticipations, and prohibiting expenditures or expenses from exceeding the actual funding appropriated.

Councilman Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve Resolution 2015-32: A Resolution to adopt the first amendment to the Fiscal Year 2016 budget for each fund of the City of Statesboro, Georgia, appropriating the amounts shown in each budget as expenditures/expenses, adopting the several items of revenue anticipations, and prohibiting expenditures or expenses from exceeding the actual funding appropriated. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a motion to approve dates for 3 Public Hearings on the proposed 2015 Calendar Year Ad Valorem (Property) Tax Millage Rate for the City of Statesboro.

1st Public Hearing- August 25, 2015 at 4:30 pm

2nd Public Hearing- August 25, 2015 at 6:00 pm

3rd Public Hearing- September 1st, 2015 at 9:00 am

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Britt to approve dates for 3 Public Hearings on the proposed 2015 Calendar Year Ad Valorem (Property) Tax Millage Rate for the City of Statesboro. 1st Public Hearing- August 25, 2015 at 4:30 pm, 2nd Public Hearing- August 25, 2015 at 6:00 pm, and 3rd Public Hearing- September 1st, 2015 at 9:00 am. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2015-26: A Resolution to approve adjustments to the classification and compensation plan to create the position of Deputy City Manager and authorize the Mayor to negotiate compensation.

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Britt to approve Resolution 2015-26: A Resolution to approve adjustments to the classification and compensation plan to create the position of Deputy City Manager and authorize the Mayor to negotiate compensation with the amended job description. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to appoint Robert L. Cheshire to the position of Deputy City Manager.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to appoint Robert L. Cheshire to the position of Deputy City Manager. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Other Business from City Council: None

City Managers Comments:

Interim City Manager Robert Cheshire stated the street resurfacing is going well and most of it has been completed especially around the GSU area with school starting shortly. Mr. Cheshire commended Brad Deal for staying on top of these projects and making sure they were done in a timely manner. Mr. Cheshire stated he is asking that Department Heads to update Mayor and Council on a regular basis. Mr. Cheshire asked Director of Finance Cindy West for an update on the 2013 SPLOST revenues. Ms. West stated we have been coming in short for the 2013 SPLOST on an average of \$36,800.00 less than what was projected. Director of Public Safety Wendell Turner updated Mayor and Council on the crime statistics from 2009 thru 2014 which shows a downward trend of crime since 2009. Mr. Turner also stated they are finishing up on the building project for the Fire Department and the amounts have come in below what was budgeted for this project. The amount budgeted was \$1.3 million and we have come in at \$1.2 million. Mr. Turner gave an update on Sungard stating the 'go live' date will be August 25 and 26th. Director of Human resources came forward to update Mayor and Council regarding the new Human Resources employee, who will be working with employee safety and workers compensation.

Public Comments: None

At 11:00 am, Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to enter into Executive Session to discuss "Personnel Matters" and "Potential Litigation" in accordance with O.C.G.A §50-14-3 (2012). Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Moore called the meeting back to order with no action taken.

At 11:15 am, Councilman Riggs made a motion seconded by Councilman Lewis to exit Executive Session. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

At 11:16am, Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to adjourn. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 am.