

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on December 3, 2013 at 9:00 am in the auditorium at the Statesboro High School. Present were Mayor Joe R. Brannen, Council Members: Will Britt, Phil Boyum, John Riggs, Gary Lewis and Travis Chance. Also present were City Manager Frank Parker, City Clerk Sue Starling, City Attorney Alvin Leaphart, City Engineer Robert Cheshire and Director of Community Development Mandi Cody.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Joe Brannen

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was given by Councilman Gary Lewis

Public Comments (Agenda Item): None

Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

- A) Approval of Minutes
 - a) 11-18-2013 Public Hearing/911 Addresses minutes
 - b) 11-19-2013 Council Minutes
 - c) 11-19-2013 Executive Session Minutes
- B) Consideration of a Motion to approve <u>Resolution 2013-40</u>: A Resolution in Support of Renaming a Segment of Highway S.R. 67 "The McDouglad Memorial Parkway".
- C) Consideration of a Motion to approve Second Reading of <u>Ordinance 2013-22</u>: An Ordinance Amending Certain Sections of Chapter 6 of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances (Alcoholic Beverages) (Growlers).

D) Consideration of a Motion to approve the Christmas bonuses for the City of Statesboro employees in the amount of \$100.00

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion to remove item "D" from the consent agenda for further discussion and approve the remainder of the consent agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Boyum. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Councilman Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to increase item "D" from \$100.00 to \$400.00. He stated this would be a bonus from the City of Statesboro and not a Christmas bonus and the employees would most likely get another bonus around June of 2014. 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 "Vehicle for Hire" A) D W Yellow Cab – Nicholas Dewayne Burgess (Driver)

Attorney City Alvin Leaphart explained that even though the applicant has a criminal history, the case was dismissed. Councilman Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to approve the application for Nicholas Dewayne Burgess. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

B) D W Yellow Cab- Eric Wesley Sikes (Driver)

City Attorney Alvin Leaphart asked Mr. Sikes with his criminal history if he was still on probation. Mr. Sikes stated that he was no longer on probation. Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to approve the application for Eric Sikes. 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 three year contract for life insurance brokerage services, pending acceptable negotiated terms, to Shaw Hankins to begin on February 1st, 2014.

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to award a three year contract for life insurance brokerage services, pending acceptable negotiated terms, to Shaw Hankins to begin on February 1st, 2014. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote. Councilman Travis Chance abstained from voting.

Consideration of a Motion to approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$15,960.00 for the Waste Water Treatment Plant filter replacement

Councilman Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to approve Change Order No. 1 in the amount of \$15,960.00 for the Waste Water Treatment Plant filter replacement. 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 a resolution to call for a special city-wide referendum for the Statesboro City Council and the City of Statesboro to utilize the Georgia Redevelopment Powers Law.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to table this item. 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

City Manager Frank Parker asked Mayor and Council to authorize the engineering department to work with local contractors and not to exceed \$50,000.00 for the emergency repair work on Gentilly Road due to the heavy rains. The work would begin around the first of the year. The funds will come from the 2007 SPLOST. Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve the engineering department to work with local contractors and to use funds not to exceed \$50,000.00 for road repairs on Gentilly Road due to heavy rains. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

City Manager asked Mayor and Council to approve Resolution 2013-41: A Resolution for the Purchase of Real Property known as the Haus and Yard. Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to approve Resolution 2013-41 for the purchase of the Haus and Yard property. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to have a Special Council meeting on Tuesday December 10th, 2013 at 4:00 pm. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Public Comments (General)

A) Questions from students at Statesboro High School

The Mayor and Councilmembers answered questions that had been previously submitted from the 9^{th} and 10^{th} grade students of Statesboro High School.

Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt 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 9:50 am.