



**CITY OF STATESBORO
Council Minutes
February 6, 2018**

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on February 6th at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor Jonathan McCollar, Council Members: Phil Boyum, Sam Lee Jones, Jeff Yawn, John Riggs and Travis Chance. Also present were City Manager Randy Wetmore, Deputy City Manager Robert Cheshire, City Clerk Sue Starling and City Attorney Cain Smith.

The Meeting was called to Order by Mayor Jonathan McCollar.
The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Jeff Yawn.

Recognitions/Public Presentations

- A) Presentation of the Arbor Day proclamation**
- B) Recognition of the City's participation in the Tree City USA program.**
- C) Presentation of Employee Years of Service Awards**

Tree Board Chairman Wesley Parker spoke on the history of Arbor Day. The City received a \$5000.00 grant to replace damaged trees.

This will be the 25th year the City of Statesboro has been chosen to receive the Tree City USA Flag. Bulloch County Chief Ranger Doug Chassereau and Bulloch County Management Forester Michael Hinson presented a flag to the City to commemorate 25 years.

Mayor McCollar presented a proclamation recognizing Arbor Day.

Employees of the City of Statesboro were recognized for their years of service. The 10 year employees are Andrew Samples, Stevie Thomas, Darren Prather(not present), Derek Stoddard (not present), Charita Foy (not present), Kyle Briley and Lashawn Adams. The 15 year employees are Robert Dixon, Sharry Ryall, Dena Colson, Sterling Starling and Eric Simms. The 20 year employees are Pam Ellis (not Present), Tim Grams, and James Winskey. The 25 year employee is Tammy Rushing. The 30 year employees are Mike Chappel and Keith Perkins.

Public Comments (Agenda Item): None

Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

- A) Approval of Minutes**
 - a) 01-16-2018 Council Minutes**

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Yawn to approve the consent agenda. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to Adopt Resolution 2018-04: A Resolution Appointing Rose Bonner to the City of Statesboro Tree Board.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve **Resolution 2018-04**: A Resolution Appointing Rose Bonner to the City of Statesboro Tree Board. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote

Consideration of a Motion to Approve Resolution 2018-05: A Resolution to appoint Molly Bickerton, Tiffoni Buckle-McCartney, Trent Davis, Alex Harris, Margaret Hudson, Jennifer Paddock and Laura Wheaton to the Keep Statesboro-Bulloch Beautiful Board of Directors for a one-year term.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve **Resolution 2018-05**: A Resolution to appoint Molly Bickerton, Tiffoni Buckle-McCartney, Trent Davis, Alex Harris, Margaret Hudson, Jennifer Paddock and Laura Wheaton to the Keep Statesboro-Bulloch Beautiful Board of Directors for a one-year term. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, 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 eight (8) Ford Police Interceptor SUV's (Police Patrol and Operations Bureau's) from Wade Ford per the Georgia State Contract in the amount of \$228,896.00, the cost includes an extended warranty (7 Year/ 100,000 miles). The funding from this purchase comes from the GEMA Lease Pool and will be repaid by the funds budgeted in the FY 2013 SPLOST.

Consideration of a Motion to award the purchase of 1 Ford F-150 pickup (Police Operations Bureau) to Allan Vigil Ford per the Georgia State Contract in the amount of \$31,917.00, the cost includes an extended warranty (7 Year/ 100,000 miles). The funding from this purchase comes from the GEMA Lease Pool and will be repaid by the funds budgeted in the FY 2013 SPLOST.

Consideration of a Motion to award the purchase equipment and up-fitting of 7 Ford Police Interceptor SUVs and additional equipment for two (2) Ford Vehicles (Interceptor SUV and F-150) to West Chatham Warning Devices, total cost not to exceed \$139,187.00. The funding from this purchase comes from the GEMA Lease Pool and will be repaid by the funds budgeted in the FY 2013 SPLOST.

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve the purchase of eight (8) Ford Police Interceptor SUV's (Police Patrol and Operations Bureau's) from Wade Ford per the Georgia State Contract in the amount of \$228,896.00, the cost includes an extended warranty (7 Year/ 100,000 miles). The funding from this purchase comes from the GEMA Lease Pool and will be repaid by the funds budgeted in the FY 2013 SPLOST and the purchase of 1 Ford F-150 pickup (Police Operations Bureau) to Allan Vigil Ford per the Georgia State Contract in the amount of \$31,917.00, the cost includes an extended warranty (7 Year/ 100,000 miles). The funding from this purchase comes from the GEMA Lease Pool and will be repaid by the funds budgeted in the FY 2013 SPLOST and the purchase equipment and up-fitting of 7 Ford Police Interceptor SUVs and additional equipment for two (2) Ford Vehicles (Interceptor SUV

and F-150) to West Chatham Warning Devices, total cost not to exceed \$139,187.00. The funding from this purchase comes from the GEMA Lease Pool and will be repaid by the funds budgeted in the FY 2013 SPLOST. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Other Business from City Council

Councilman Boyum made a suggestion for the new board member for the SCVB to be Frank Neal, since Jeff Grant will be leaving the City. Cindy West was also named as a possible candidate. There was no decision made at this time.

Mayor McCollar recognized the Elm Street Church of God for their 100 year anniversary.

City Managers Comments

Director of Planning and Zoning Frank Neal stated the issues with Knox Pest Control have been resolved.

City Manager Randy Wetmore stated the Police Sub Station was moving forward and will open on March 1, 2018 if all goes well.

Mr. Wetmore also stated the Director of Human Resource Jeff grant would be leaving the City on March 2, 2018 to relocate in Savannah.

Public Comments (General)

A citizen, who did not identify himself, addressed Council with his concerns regarding 225 Burkhalter Road and the rule that you must have 5 acres of land before a mobile home can be placed on the property. Council advised him the location was in the County and he would have to address his concerns with the County Commissioners.

Consideration of a Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss “Potential Litigation” in accordance with O.C.G.A.§50-14-3 (2012)

At 9:45 am, Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to enter into Executive Session to discuss “Potential Litigation” in accordance with O.C.G.A.§50-14-3 (2012). Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

At 10:05 am, Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to come out of Executive Session. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

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

Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

At 10:05 am, Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05am.