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**CITY OF STATESBORO  
Council Minutes  
January 17, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on January 17, 2017 at 5:30p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor Jan J. Moore, Council Members: Phil Boyum, Sam Lee Jones, Jeff Yawn and Travis Chance. Also present were City Manager Randy Wetmore, Deputy City Manager Robert Cheshire, City Clerk Sue Starling and City Attorney Cain Smith. Councilman John Riggs was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jan J. Moore.

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was given by Councilman Travis Chance

**Recognitions/Public Presentations**

Jimmy Edenfield was recognized as he retires from the City of Statesboro with 42 years of service.

**Public Comments (Agenda Item):** None

**Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda**

- A) **Approval of Minutes**
  - a) **01-03-2017 Council Minutes**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Yawn to approve the consent agenda in its entirety. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**Public Hearing and Consideration of Motion to Approve: APPLICATION # V 16-12-03: Missy Bennett requests a variance from Article V Section 503(C) Table 3 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance regarding the minimum required side yard setback for the property located at 122 Park Avenue (Tax Parcel S41 000047 000).**

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to open the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

There were no comments for or against the request.

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Yawn to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to approve:

**APPLICATION # V 16-12-03:** Missy Bennett requests a variance from Article V Section 503(C) Table 3 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance regarding the minimum required side yard setback for the property located at 122 Park Avenue (Tax Parcel S41 000047 000). Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**Public Hearing and Second Reading of Ordinance 2017-01: An Ordinance amending Chapter 6 of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances (Alcoholic Beverages) for proximity requirements.**

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to open the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

No one spoke for or against the request.

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Councilman Jones made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to approve **Ordinance 2017-01:** An Ordinance amending Chapter 6 of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances (Alcoholic Beverages) for proximity requirements. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance 2017-02: An Ordinance to amend Section 6-6(b) of the City of Statesboro Code of Ordinances (Alcoholic Beverages) to comply with State regulations. [GA560-2-2-.02(9)]**

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to open the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

No one spoke for or against the first reading.

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

There was no action taken on the item.

**Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance 2017-03: An Ordinance to amend Section 6-19(c)(10)(b) of the City of Statesboro Code of Ordinances (Alcoholic Beverages) to allow for a three year lookback.**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Yawn to open the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

No one spoke for or against the first reading.

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

There was no action taken on the item.

Councilman John Riggs joined the meeting at 6:00 pm by phone.

**Public Hearing and First Reading of Ordinance 2017-04: An Ordinance to amend Section 6-3 of the City of Statesboro Code of Ordinances (Alcoholic Beverages) to redefine Catered Event.**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to open the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Darin Van Tassel spoke in favor of the ordinance.

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jeff to close the public hearing. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

At 6:10 pm, the phone call was dropped during the discussion.

There was no action taken on the item.

**Consideration of a Motion to Approve Resolution 2017-03 : A Resolution to adopt the document entitled “Personnel Policies and Procedures (Employee Handbook)”, dated January 17, 2017, attached hereto and incorporated into this Resolution by reference, is hereby adopted as the official personnel policies and procedures to be used to administer all personnel matters for the City of Statesboro; and that any ordinances, resolutions, motions or informal policies conflict with any provision of this adopted document are hereby repealed to the extent of any such conflict.**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Yawn to approve Resolution 2017-03 : A Resolution to adopt the document entitled “Personnel Policies and Procedures (Employee Handbook)”, dated January 17, 2017, attached hereto and incorporated into this Resolution by reference, is hereby adopted as the official personnel policies and procedures to be used to administer all personnel matters for the City of Statesboro; and that any ordinances, resolutions, motions or informal policies conflict with any provision of this adopted document are hereby repealed to the extent of any such conflict. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2017-04: A Resolution to approve phase II - 50% of the Compa-Ratio - Move to Market option of the Fiscal Year 2016 Classification and Compensation Plan provided by Evergreen Solutions Inc.,**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Yawn to approve Resolution 2017-04: A Resolution to approve phase II - 50% of the Compa-Ratio - Move to Market option of the Fiscal Year 2016 Classification and Compensation Plan provided by Evergreen Solutions Inc., Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

**Consideration of a Motion to Approve awarding of contract to the low bidder, Hawk Construction, LLC, for the construction of a Class A Burn Facility as well as the construction of a repelling wall on the Training Tower at the Public Safety Training Center in the amount of \$73,560.00. This project is funded under CIP# FD 62 using 2013 SPLOST.**

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to award a contract to the low bidder, Hawk Construction, LLC, for the construction of a Class A Burn Facility as well as the construction of a repelling wall on the Training Tower at the Public Safety Training Center in the amount of \$73,560.00. This project is funded under CIP# FD 62 using 2013 SPLOST. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

### **Other Business from City Council**

Mayor Moore discussed the funeral procession stating there would be 2 escorts available for funeral. Council called for a Called Council Meeting on Thursday morning January 19<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am to adopt an Ordinance regarding funeral processions.

City Manager Randy Wetmore stated that City Hall would extend working hours for 3 days a month. The days would be determined by the cut off dates of the utility bills. City Hall will be open at 7:00 am on those days to accommodate the payment of utility bills. The pilot program will run for 4 months and then be reevaluated.

### **City Managers Comments**

#### **A) Presentation of the Police Department's new website**

This presentation will be given in February

#### **B) 2016 Development Review Presentation**

Director of Planning and Development Frank Neal gave a power point of the building permits issues for 2016. He stated the department has collected over 1 million dollars in fees.

#### **C) Discussion of Funeral Processions**

This was discussed under "Other Business from City Council".

**Public Comments (General)** None

### **Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Yawn to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm.