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**CITY OF STATESBORO  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
FEBRUARY 21, 2012**

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on February 21, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor Joe R. Brannen, Council Members: Will Britt, Tommy Blitch and Gary Lewis. 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. Councilman Travis Chance and John Riggs were absent.

**Recognitions/Public Presentations**

- a) Lehman Franklin III request to speak to Council concerning the Statesboro Music Festival**

Lehman Franklin III updated Council on the Statesboro Music Festival. He stated this will be a yearly event and would like the Council's support as well as using the City's logo for their website in support of the event. Council stated they would have to seek legal advice concerning the logo usage.

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

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

- A) Approval of Minutes**
- a) February 07, 2012 Council Minutes**
  - b) February 07, 2012 Council Work Session Minutes**
- B) Consideration of a Motion to approve Special Event Permits**
- a) GSU Botanical Garden – Beer and Wine Tasting Annual Concert Fundraiser**
  - b) Averitt Center for the Arts- Gallery Reception “Earth, Air, Fire and Water paintings by local artist Drew Cottril**
- C) Consideration of a Motion to award a yearly contract for the maintenance of city traffic signals with the option to renew for two additional one year terms to Needham's Traffic Signal**

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to approve the consent agenda in its entirety. Councilman Britt, Blitch and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

**Consideration of a Motion to approve/deny 2<sup>nd</sup> reading for the application of alcohol license:**

**Licensee: Thomas E. Driskell III**

**DBA: Toms Beverage and Tobacco**

**Location: 8 College Plaza**

**Type of Alcohol License: Package Sales**

**Type of Business: Retail Beer and Wine Package only**

Councilman Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of the application license for Toms Beverage and Tobacco. Councilman Britt, Blich and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

**Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to approve 1st reading of T 12-02-02 - Ordinance 2012-01: An Ordinance amending Article XX (Amendments) of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance regarding time frame required between Planning Commission and the public hearing**

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Blich to approve 1st reading of T 12-02-02 - Ordinance 2012-01: An Ordinance amending Article XX (Amendments) of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance regarding time frame required between Planning Commission and the public hearing. Councilman Britt, Blich and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

**Consideration of a Motion to approve a change order in the amount of \$72,738.38 to the previously awarded contract with Northland Communications for fiber installation**

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Blich to approve a change order in the amount of \$72,738.38 to the previously awarded contract with Northland Communications for fiber installation to include total reoccurring monthly amount of \$1104.00. Councilman Britt, Blich and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

**Other Business from City Council**

Director of Public Safety Wendell Turner asked Council to surplus and donate a 2004 Crown Vic vehicle to OTC. Councilman Blich made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to surplus and donate the 2004 vehicle to OTC for their law enforcement driver training program. Councilman Britt, Blich and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt reminded everyone to visit the Exhibit Hall at GSU, especially the Recycling exhibit and the Purple Pipe exhibit.

Mayor Brannen thanked the Tree Board and everyone for their participation in the planting of the Live Oak Trees on Blue Devil Way in observance of Arbor Day.

**Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn**

Councilman Lewis made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to adjourn. Councilman Britt, Blich and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 3-0 vote.

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.