



**CITY OF STATESBORO
Council Minutes
April 01, 2014**

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on April 1st, 2014 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 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 was absent.

The meeting was called to Order by Mayor Jan Moore.

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman John Riggs

Recognitions/Public Presentations

A) Presentation of the Proclamation for “Arbor Day”. Mr. Henry Clay and the Tree Board will accept the Proclamation.

Mayor Moore presented a proclamation to Robert Seamans and Kelly Collingsworth in recognition of “Arbor Day”.

B) Presentation of the Proclamation for the Bulloch Academy Lady Gators 2014 Class AAA State Champions

Mayor Moore presented a proclamation to Bulloch Academy Coach Paul Webb and team members for the Class AAA State Championship.

C) Recognition of Jeremy Mincey, defensive end football player for the Dallas Cowboys of the National Football League

City Manager Frank Parker recognized Jeremy Mincey for his accomplishments in the field of football as he has now been signed by the Dallas Cowboys.

Mayor Moore presented a proclamation to Benji Thompson and Lori Durden in recognition of “Manufacturing Appreciation Week”.

Alison Goggans gave praise and gratitude to the Public Safety Department for their support and efforts involving the assault that took place in her home.

Public Comments (Agenda Item): None

Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

A) Approval of Minutes

a) **03-18-2014 Council Minutes**

B) Notification of alcohol license application:

a) **Licensee: Gregory M. Parker**

DBA: Parker’s #47

Location: 1588 Brampton Avenue

Type of Alcohol License: Packaged Beer & Wine

Type of Business: Convenience Store

b) Licensee: Ana Lilia Escutia

DBA: Southern Lounge

Location: 406 Fair Road Suite 10

Type of Alcohol License: Pouring – Beer, Wine & Liquor

Type of Business: Sports Restaurant

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to approve the consent agenda in its entirety. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Public Hearing and Consideration of a Motion to approve the following:

A) APPLICATION # RZ 14-02-01: Dennis Rhodes dba Coley Homes requests a zoning map amendment from R20 (Single-Family Residential) District to R4 (High Density Residential) for property located at 444 South College Street. (Tax Parcel Number S21000011000)

John Dotson of Maxwell Reddick representing Dennis Rhodes spoke in favor of the zoning request. Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt stated his concerns regarding no sidewalks. Mandi Cody and Robert Cheshire stated at this point there was no room for sidewalks. Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion to include the grant of an easement from the property owner to be used as a sidewalk when future sidewalks or construction projects occur in the same area. The motion was seconded by Councilman Boyum. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Consideration of a motion to set a date and time for a work session regarding revision of Chapter 6 of the Statesboro Code of Ordinances which addresses the sale and consumption of alcoholic beverages.

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to set the work session date as May 6th which would follow the regular Council Meeting with lunch included. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Presentation and Consideration of a Motion to Approve Task Order No. 2 of Professional Services Agreement with Ecological Planning Group in the amount of \$75,870.00 to assist the City with the development of Comprehensive Storm Water Management Program

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to postpone this item until the next meeting. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve the upgrade of the Water/Sewer operations software and network systems not to exceed \$250,000

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve the upgrade of the Water/Sewer operations software and network systems not to exceed \$250,000. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Other Business from City Council

City Manager Frank Parker recognized his wife, Marcia, and Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt's daughter, London, in the audience.

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt asked City Attorney Alvin Leaphart to look into the zoning process that would include sidewalks.

Public Comments (General)

A) Bryan Davis will address Council on the projects at Midtown, South Mulberry Street and East Grady St.

Bryan Davis of Hendley Properties updated Council on their plans for the completion of the apartments on East Grady St. He also stated they would be glad to put in sidewalks once there were other sidewalks that could be connected.

B) Heath Robinson would like to update Council regarding the fire code for "The Hall".

Heath Robinson stated that he had reached an agreement with Chris Colson and Tim Grams of the Fire Department for the completion of the fire codes for the sprinkler system at "The Hall".

Consideration of a Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss "Personnel Matters" in accordance with O.C.G.A. §50-14-3 (2012)

At 10:45 am, Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to enter into Executive Session to discuss "Personnel Matters" in accordance with **O.C.G.A. §50-14-3 (2012)**. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

At 11:21 am, Mayor Moore asked for a motion to come out of Executive Session. Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to come out of Executive Session. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

Mayor Moore called the regular session back to order stating there was no action taken. Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to adjourn. Councilman Britt, Boyum, Riggs, and Lewis voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:22 a.m.