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**CITY OF STATESBORO  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
April 16, 2013**

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on April 16, 2013 at 6:00 in the Southern Ballroom of the Nessmith Lane Conference Center on the GSU Campus. 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 Phil Boyum.

**Recognitions/Public Presentations:**

- A) Kelly Collingsworth request to update Council on the Great American Cleanup**
- B) Presentation of the Great American Cleanup proclamation to Kelly Collingsworth representing Keep Bulloch Beautiful**

Kelly Collingsworth updated Council on the upcoming 13<sup>th</sup> annual Great American Cleanup that is set for April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

Mayor Brannen presented a proclamation to Kelly Collingsworth representing Keep Bulloch Beautiful and Robert Seamans representing the Public Works Department of the City of Statesboro. The proclamation was in recognition of the Great American Cleanup.

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

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

- A) Approval of Minutes**
  - a) 04-02-2013 Council Minutes**
  - b) 04-02-2013 Executive Session Minutes**
- B) Notification of alcohol license application:**
  - Licensee: Gregory Milo Parker**
  - DBA: Parker's #41**
  - Location: 24151 Highway 80 East**
  - Type of Alcohol License: Retail Beer & Wine Packaged**
  - Type of Business: Convenience Store – Packaged Beer & Wine**
- C) Consideration of a Motion to approve an Outdoor Event Permit:**
  - Applicant's Name: Jon Starkey**
  - Date and Time of Event: May 4, 2013, 7:00 p.m.**
  - Location of Event: University Plaza**
  - Type of Event: Outside Gathering with Band and DJ**
  - Products served: Beer, Wine, and Liquor**

**D) Consideration of a Motion to approve a Special Event Permit:**

**Applicant's Name:** Larry T Scarboro  
**Date and Time of Event:** May 4, 2013, 9:00 p.m.  
**Location of Event:** Springhill Suites  
**Type of Event:** 5<sup>th</sup> Annual All White Ball – Big Head Barber/Salon  
**Products served:** Beer and Wine

**E) Consideration of a Motion to declare the listed trucks and equipment as surplus and be disposed of, as recommended by the Purchasing Department.**

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to approve the consent agenda in its entirety. 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 APPLICATION # SE 13-03-01: Marcella Dickerson-Jones requests a special exception be granted pursuant to the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance to allow the operation of a group home in the R-15 (Single-Family Residential) District for property located at 104 South Zetterower Avenue. (Tax Parcel number S40000004 000).**

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to approve APPLICATION # SE 13-03-01: Marcella Dickerson-Jones requests a special exception be granted pursuant to the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance to allow the operation of a group home in the R-15 (Single-Family Residential) District for property located at 104 South Zetterower Avenue. (Tax Parcel number S40000004 000). Councilman Boyum, Riggs, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 4-0 vote. Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt abstained from voting.

**Consideration of a Motion to approve APPLICATION # V 13-03-02: Maxwell-Reddick & Associates, Inc., requests a variance from Article VII Section 703 of the *Statesboro Zoning Ordinance* regarding density increase in the R-4 (High Density Residential) District for property located at 552 East Main Street (Tax Parcel number MS82000033 000).**

John Dotson representing Maxwell Reddick spoke in favor of the request. Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to approve APPLICATION # V 13-03-02: Maxwell-Reddick & Associates, Inc., requests a variance from Article VII Section 703 of the *Statesboro Zoning Ordinance* regarding density increase in the R-4 (High Density Residential) District for property located at 552 East Main Street (Tax Parcel number MS82000033 000). 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 contract to purchase a heated asphalt/re-claimer trailer from KM International at a bid price of \$41,324.00**

Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to award a contract to purchase a heated asphalt/re-claimer trailer from KM International at a bid price of \$41,324.00. 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 adopt Resolution 2013-09: Resolution accepting rights of way of one (1) street as public street to be owned and maintained by the City of Statesboro. The street to be considered for acceptance is Vaden Dr. located beside the new Nissan Car Dealership on Brannen St.**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to approve **Resolution 2013-09**. Resolution accepting rights of way of one (1) street as public street to be owned and maintained by the City of Statesboro. The street to be considered for acceptance is Vaden Dr. located beside the new Nissan Car Dealership on Brannen St. 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 adopt Resolution 2013-10: A Resolution accepting right of way of one (1) street as a public street to be owned and maintained by the City of Statesboro. The street to be considered for acceptance is a .056 mi. long segment of street, yet to be named, located behind the new Nissan dealership located on Brannen Street.**

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to adopt **Resolution 2013-10**. A Resolution accepting right of way of one (1) street as a public street to be owned and maintained by the City of Statesboro. The street to be considered for acceptance is a .056 mi. long segment of street, yet to be named, located behind the new Nissan dealership located on Brannen Street. 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 contract to Tyson Utilities Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$34,838.92 for a sewer line extension, which will eliminate the need for the Sandy Hill Pump Station**

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to award a contract to Tyson Utilities Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$34,838.92 for a sewer line extension, which will eliminate the need for the Sandy Hill Pump Station. 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 Award of Contract to Y-Delta Inc. in the amount of \$625,451.93 to make intersection and water main improvements at the W. Main St./ S. College St. intersection. Award requires increasing the overall project budget to \$674,000 to cover costs associated with USPO easement acquisition, utility relocations, and higher than anticipated costs of intersection improvements due to city initiated road closure restrictions. The Requested budget increase to be covered by savings from cost under runs on other recent capital improvements. Improvements to be funded by 2007 SPLOST.**

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to approve the award of contract to Y-Delta Inc. in the amount of \$625,451.93 to make intersection and water main improvements at the W. Main St./ S. College St. intersection. Award requires increasing the overall project budget to \$674,000 to cover costs associated with USPO easement

acquisition, utility relocations, and higher than anticipated costs of intersection improvements due to city initiated road closure restrictions. The Requested budget increase to be covered by savings from cost under runs on other recent capital improvements. Improvements to be funded by 2007 SPLOST. 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 the bid for two (2) new compressed natural gas powered refuse cab and chassis units to Peach State Ford Truck Sales for a total amount of \$286,360.00 for both units.**

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt to award the bid for two (2) new compressed natural gas powered refuse cab and chassis units to Peach State Ford Truck Sales for a total amount of \$286,360.00 for both units. 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 purchase two (2) New Way front load refuse bodies with compressed natural gas systems for a total amount of \$260,507.10.**

Councilman Riggs made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to purchase two (2) New Way front load refuse bodies with compressed natural gas systems for a total amount of \$260,507.10. 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:** None

**Public Comments (General)**

**A) Mr. Bill Thomas request to speak with Council on Government Transparency**

Mr. Bill Thomas addressed Council with his concerns about honest and open government. He asked all students to register to vote. He began speaking to issues that had taken place when Shane Haynes was City Manager in South Carolina before coming to Statesboro to fill the position as the City Manager. After speaking for more than 5 minutes, Council asked Mr. Thomas to conclude his speech. Mr. Thomas asked Council to launch an FBI Investigation concerning Mr. Haynes employment with the City of Statesboro.

**Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn**

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance 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 6:40 pm.