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**CITY OF STATESBORO  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
May 07, 2013**

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on May 07 , 2013 at 9:00 am in the Council Chambers at City Hall Present were Mayor Joe R. Brannen, Council Members: Phil Boyum, 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. Absent was Mayor Pro Tem Will Britt and Councilman John Riggs.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Joe Brannen  
The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was given by Councilman Gary Lewis

**Recognitions/Public Presentations**

**A) Presentation of the Tree City USA Award (20th year) by the Georgia Forestry Commission and the City's Tree Board to the City of Statesboro**

The Georgia Forestry Commission members presented the Tree City USA award to the City of Statesboro. Mayor Joe Brannen accepted the award on behalf of the City of Statesboro and Council members.

**B) Recognition of City Tree Board Members (Henry Clay, Chairman and Wesley Parker) and City Staff (Robert Seamans and Rose Butterbaugh) for obtaining Arborists Certifications from the International Society of Arboriculture.**

City Engineer Robert Cheshire presented plaques to the City Tree Board Members (Henry Clay, Chairman and Wesley Parker) and City Staff (Robert Seamans and Rose Butterbaugh) for obtaining Arborists Certifications from the International Society of Arboriculture.

**C) Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing National Police Officer Memorial Day set for May 15, 2013**

Mayor Brannen presented a proclamation to the Police Department in recognition of National Police Officer Memorial Day. The entire Police Department accepted the award

- D) Presentation of a Proclamation for Luke Pittaway for his efforts in bringing the GSU E-Zone to the Downtown area and improving the relationship between GSU and the City of Statesboro.**

Councilman Phil Boyum presented a proclamation to Luke Pittaway for his efforts in bringing the GSU E-Zone to the Downtown area and improving the relationship between GSU and the City of Statesboro.

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

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

- A) Approval of Minutes**
- a) **04-12-2013 Council Budget Retreat Minutes**
  - b) **04-16-2013 Council Minutes**
  - c) **04-24-2013 Called Council Minutes**
- B) Consideration of a Motion to approve a Special Event Permit:**
- a) **Applicant's Name: Jamie Toms**  
**Date and Time of Event: May 22, 2013, 5-7 p.m.**  
**Location of Event: Belle House**  
**Type of Event: University of Georgia event for alumni**  
**Products served: Beer and Wine**
- C) Notification of alcohol license application:**
- a) **Licensee: Amy Mae Lane (Changing Managers)**  
**DBA: Parker's #20**  
**Location: 1899 Chandler Road**  
**Type of Alcohol License: Retail Beer & Wine Packaged**  
**Type of Business: Convenience Store – Packaged Beer & Wine**
  - b) **Licensee: Robert Houston Demere III (Changing Managers)**  
**DBA: Enmark Stations Inc. #849**  
**Location: 100 Northside Drive West**  
**Type of Alcohol License: Retail Beer & Wine Packaged**  
**Type of Business: Convenience Store – Packaged Beer & Wine**
- D) Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2013-12: A Resolution to adopt the third amendment to the Fiscal Year 2013 budget for each fund of the City of Statesboro, Georgia, appropriating the amounts shown in each budget as expenditures/expenses, adopting the several items of revenue anticipations, and prohibiting expenditures or expenses from exceeding the actual funding appropriated**
- E) Consideration of a motion to authorize the Mayor to execute the GMA Lease Pool Agreement in the amount of \$1,531,775.00**
- F) Consideration of a Motion to set a Public Hearing for the FY 2014 Budget for May 23, 2013 at 4:00 pm**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to approve the consent agenda in its entirety. Councilman Boyum, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by 3-0 vote.

**Consideration of a Motion to adopt Resolution 2013-11: A Resolution to accept as a gift the conveyance and dedication of certain real property valued at SIXTY SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$67,800.00) from the heirs and assigns of Thomas E. Rushing, Sr.**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to approve Resolution 2013-11: A Resolution to accept as a gift the conveyance and dedication of certain real property valued at SIXTY SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$67,800.00) from the heirs and assigns of Thomas E. Rushing, Sr. Councilman Boyum, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by 3-0 vote.

**Consideration of a Motion to Enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Statesboro and the Bulloch County Board of Education to allow the City to construct and maintain a sidewalk across the northeasterly side of the former Sallie Zetterower Elementary School property.**

Councilman Lewis made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Statesboro and the Bulloch County Board of Education to allow the City to construct and maintain a sidewalk across the northeasterly side of the former Sallie Zetterower Elementary School property. Councilman Boyum, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by 3-0 vote.

**Consideration of a Motion to Approve Task Order No. 1 of Professional Services Agreement with Ecological Planning Group in the amount of \$74,125 to assist the City with the development of Comprehensive Storm water Management Program**

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to approve Task Order No. 1 of Professional Services Agreement with Ecological Planning Group in the amount of \$74,125 to assist the City with the development of Comprehensive Storm water Management Program. Councilman Boyum, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by 3-0 vote.

**Consideration of a motion to approve the Police Department to apply for available 2013 COPS Hiring Program Federal Grant funds**

Councilman Lewis made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to approve the Police Department to apply for available 2013 COPS Hiring Program Federal Grant funds. Councilman Boyum, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by 3-0 vote.

**Consideration of a Motion to approve the preliminary design and Phase I of the architectural construction drawings for the City of Statesboro Fire Station I renovations and additions.**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to approve the preliminary design and Phase I of the architectural construction drawings for the City of Statesboro Fire Station I renovations and additions. Councilman Boyum, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by 3-0 vote.

**Consideration of a Motion to approve the Statesboro Watershed Protection Plan that presents a strategy for protecting existing water quality within the Statesboro Water Pollution Control Plant as required by EPD.**

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to approve the Statesboro Watershed Protection Plan that presents a strategy for protecting existing water quality within the Statesboro Water Pollution Control Plant as required by EPD. Councilman Boyum, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by 3-0 vote.

**Consideration of a Motion to approve the option for the City of Statesboro to purchase the property located at 58 East Main Street Suite C and D in the amount of \$375,000.00. The money is allocated in the 2013 SPLOST. This building is the current GSU City Campus.**

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to approve the option for the City of Statesboro to purchase the property located at 58 East Main Street Suite C and D in the amount of \$375,000.00. The money is allocated in the 2013 SPLOST. This building is the current GSU City Campus. The option to purchase would be contingent on receiving a grant approval. Councilman Boyum, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by 3-0 vote.

**Other Business from City Council**

Commander Tim Grams announced the retirement of a flag from the Woodsman of the World that will be held May 13<sup>th</sup> at Fire Station 1 at 7:00 pm.

City Manager Frank Parker asked Council to approve **Resolution 2013-13**: A Resolution adopting an interim moratorium on the acceptance, issuance and processing of occupational tax certificates to operate a business containing more than six (6) class B coin operated amusement machines within the City of Statesboro until adjournment of the May 21, 2013 regular Council Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Statesboro.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to approve **Resolution 2013-13**: A Resolution adopting an interim moratorium on the acceptance, issuance and processing of occupational tax certificates to operate a business containing more than six (^) class B coin operated amusement machines within the City of Statesboro until adjournment of the May 21, 2013 regular Council Meeting of the Mayor and City Council of Statesboro. Councilman Boyum, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by 3-0 vote.

City Manager Frank Parker asked Council to approve **Resolution 2013-14**: A Resolution to accept an application for annexation in accordance with Chapter 36 of the Official Code of Georgia providing municipalities a procedure for annexing property into the corporate limits of the municipality.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to approve **Resolution 2013-14**: A Resolution to accept an application for annexation in accordance with Chapter 36 of the Official Code of Georgia providing municipalities a procedure for annexing property into the corporate limits of the municipality. Councilman Boyum, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by 3-0 vote.

Councilman Gary Lewis asked Council for support to stop the graffiti and gang related activity on the Luetta Moore Trail. Council stated they were in support of the request.

**Public Comments (General)**

**A) Mr. Bill Thomas request to speak to Council regarding the importance of maintaining Public Trust**

Mr. Bill Thomas continued his concerns from the last Council meeting regarding the actions of former City Manager Shane Haynes. Mr. Thomas has now requested the City to launch a GBI investigation on the matter.

**Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Lewis to adjourn. Councilman Boyum, Lewis and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by 3-0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 am.