

CITY OF STATESBORO CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES May 27, 2015

A work session of the Statesboro City Council was held on June 27, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor Jan Moore; Council Members: Will Britt, Phil Boyum and Travis Chance. Also present was Interim City Manager Robert Cheshire, City Clerk Sue Starling and City Attorney Alvin Leaphart. Councilmen Gary Lewis, Travis Chance and John Riggs were absent.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jan Moore. The following topic was discussed.

1. Discussion of proposed changes to Chapter 6 (Alcohol) of the City of Statesboro Code of Ordinances.

The proposed changes included "Version A" and "Version B". The main difference between the two would be how to handle 18-21 year olds. Another point was to define what constitutes a bar and what constitutes a restaurant.

Joyce Stubbs representing the Bulloch Alcohol and Drug Council opened the discussion with suggestions on some of the language in version A of the proposed changes. Al Chapman, owner of Gnats Landing also expressed his views with the proposed changes. Councilman Chance stated he would like to have the 50/50 reports in place or something equivalent to it with a certified public account to sign the reports. Mrs. Waters stated the 50/50 report did not work when she was a member of the Alcohol Control Board for the City. Mr. Chapman stated it was hard for restaurants to establish a reputation on food and the 50/50 report would encourage discount drinks. Larry Owens, owner of Dingus Magee's was not opposed to the ordinance changes as it relates to the distinction of bars and restaurants.

There was no action taken at the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm.