



**CITY OF STATESBORO
Council Minutes
September 06, 2016**

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on September 06, 2016 at 9:00a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor Jan J. Moore, Council Members: Phil Boyum, Sam Lee Jones, Jeff Yawn, John Riggs and Travis Chance. Also present were City Manager Randy Wetmore, Deputy City Manager Robert Cheshire, City Clerk Sue Starling and City Attorney Alvin Leaphart, Councilman Phil Boyum joined the meeting at 9:05 am and Councilman John Riggs joined the meeting by phone at 9:10 am.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jan J. Moore.

The Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Jeff Yawn.

Recognitions/Public Presentations:

- A) Presentation of Retirement for Thomas Hendrix, Maintenance Worker, Public Works Department, after 13 years of service.**
- B) Recognition of Alex Smith, County Coordinator for Concerted Services, Inc., with an update on the utility discount program.**
- C) Recognition of the recent hiring of Tracy Nesmith for the Fire Prevention Officer position and the promotion of Chris Applebee to Lieutenant within the Statesboro Fire Department.**

Mayor Moore and City Manager Randy Wetmore presented Thomas Hendrix with a retirement plaques for his employment of 13 years with the City of Statesboro.

Mayor Moore stated it's a little late but we want to welcome Randy Wetmore as our new City Manager and present him with a City umbrella.

Alex Smith, County Coordinator for Concerted Services, Inc., was not present to present his presentation.

Fire Chief Tim Grams recognized Tracy Nesmith as a new employee to the department and Chris Applebee for his promotion within the department.

Public Comments (Agenda Item): None

Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

- A) **Approval of Minutes**
 - a) **08-16-2016 Council Minutes**
 - b) **08-16-2016 Executive Session Minutes**

- B) **Consideration of a Motion to award the purchase of a regular cab truck to Allan Vigil Ford, Inc. per State of Georgia Purchasing Contract # SWC 99999-SPD-ES49199373-0002 in the amount of \$21,820.00 for the Engineering Division. This truck was approved by City Council in the budget in the amount of \$26,000.00 using General Fund CIP funds.**

- C) **Consideration of a Motion to award the purchase of a regular cab truck to Allan Vigil Ford, Inc. per State of Georgia Purchasing Contract # SWC 99999-SPD-ES49199373-0002 in the amount of \$21,820.00 for the Stormwater Division. This truck was approved by City Council in the budget in the amount of \$26,000.00 using Stormwater revenue funds.**

- D) **Consideration of a Motion to set the due date of December 20, 2016 for the City of Statesboro Property Tax Bills.**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Yawn to approve the consent agenda in its entirety. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve an application for the Alcohol Ordinance Sec.6-17(d) “Exemptions to Open Container Prohibition” that will allow for a one day event on October 22, 2016 from 2:00 pm until 10:00 pm.

- a) **Eagle Creek Brewing Company**

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to approve the application for the Alcohol Ordinance Sec.6-17(d) “Exemptions to Open Container Prohibition” that will allow for a one day event on October 22, 2016 from 2:00 pm until 10:00 pm for the Eagle Brewing Company. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-08: An Ordinance to adopt the amended City of Statesboro Speed Control Ordinance and the accompanying Lists of Street number 08242016 in order to enforce speed limits within the city limits utilizing speed detection devices.

Councilman Jones made a motion, seconded by Councilman Yawn to adopt Ordinance 2016-08: An Ordinance to adopt the amended City of Statesboro Speed Control Ordinance and the accompanying Lists of Street number 08242016 in order to enforce speed limits within the city limits utilizing speed detection devices. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, 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 Southeastern Civil, Inc. for the "Beasley Road Drainage Improvements" in the amount of \$227,800.00. Construction to be paid for through 2013 SPLOST funds, Project # STM-113.

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to award a contract to Southeastern Civil, Inc. for the "Beasley Road Drainage Improvements" in the amount of \$227,800.00. Construction to be paid for through 2013 SPLOST funds, Project # STM-113. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Considerations of a Motion to award the purchase of a CNG refuse truck to New Way Manufacturing per the NJPA contract, in the amount of \$307,788.05. This truck is budgeted in fiscal year 2017 from 2013 SPLOST funds under CIP# SWC-8.

Councilman Boyum made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones award the purchase of a CNG refuse truck to New Way Manufacturing per the NJPA contract, in the amount of \$307,788.05. This truck is budgeted in fiscal year 2017 from 2013 SPLOST funds under CIP# SWC-8. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve a contract for Engineering Services to Amec Foster Wheeler Engineering in the base amount of 115,000.00 and a "Not to Exceed" amount of \$160,000.00.

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Boyum to approve a contract for Engineering Services to Amec Foster Wheeler Engineering in the base amount of 115,000.00 and a "Not to Exceed" amount of \$160,000.00. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2016-34: A Resolution setting the millage rate for ad valorem (property) taxes for the 2016 calendar year for the city of Statesboro, Georgia at 6.358.

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Jones to approve Resolution 2016-34: A Resolution setting the millage rate for ad valorem (property) taxes for the 2016 calendar year for the city of Statesboro, Georgia at 6.358. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Consideration of a Motion to approve Resolution 2016-35: A Resolution to approve the amendment of the City of Statesboro's Georgia Municipal Association 401(a) Defined Contribution Plan Adoption Agreement.

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Chance to approve Resolution 2016-35: A Resolution to approve the amendment of the City of Statesboro's Georgia Municipal Association 401(a) Defined Contribution Plan Adoption Agreement. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Other Business from City Council

Councilman Chance stated that he had received some complaints regarding the utility billing credits that are being processed thru Concerted Services. He also wanted staff to review the qualifications for the credit and update Council at the next meeting.

Mayor Moore stated she had spoken with Darin VanTassell regarding the sister cities in Italy. A trip is being planned for October and the cost will be approximately \$2500.00 per person. Mr. Van Tassell has asked if Council was interested in making the trip. Mayor Moore stated she was not in favor of the taxpayers paying for the trip for Council. Councilman John Riggs stated he was in favor of the sister city but was not in favor of the taxpayers paying for the trip.

City Managers Comments

Deputy City Manager Robert Cheshire reminded Council of the 2 vacant seats, with a 4 year term, on the Planning Commission. He asked for nominations from Council.

Public Comments (General): None

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 9:55 am Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to enter into Executive Session to discuss “Personnel Matters” in accordance with O.C.G.A.§50-14-3 (2012). Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

At 10:50am, Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to exit Executive Session. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Moore called the regular meeting back to order with no action being taken.

Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Yawn to adjourn the meeting. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs, and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 am.