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**CITY OF STATESBORO  
Council Minutes  
January 2, 2018**

A regular meeting of the Statesboro City Council was held on January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Present were Mayor Jonathan McCollar, Council Members: Phil Boyum, Sam Lee Jones, Jeff Yawn John Riggs and Travis Chance. Also present were Deputy City Manager Robert Cheshire, City Attorney Cain Smith, and City Clerk Sue Starling. Absent was City Manager Randy Wetmore.

Mayor Pro Tem Travis Chance called the meeting to order.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Travis Chance stated the meeting would be turned over to Mayor McCollar after he was sworn in.

**Oath of Office administered by Bulloch county Probate Judge Lorna Deloach to:**

**A. Mayor-Elect Jonathan McCollar**

**B. District 1 Phil Boyum**

**C. District 3 John Riggs**

Judge Lorna Deloach administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Jonathan McCollar, Councilman Phil Boyum and Councilman John Riggs.

**Consideration of a Motion to appoint a Mayor Pro Tempore for the next two years, per Statesboro Municipal Code, Section 2-4 of the City Charter**

Councilman Yawn made a motion seconded by Councilman Jones to appoint a Mayor Pro Tempore for the next two years, per Statesboro Municipal Code, Section 2-4 of the City Charter. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote. No one was named in the motion.

Councilman Chance made a motion seconded by Councilman Boyum to appoint Councilman John Riggs as the Mayor Pro Tem for a 2 year term. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

**Recognitions/Public Presentations**

**A) Presentation of Run the 'Boro 5K / Holiday Celebration Proceeds to the Statesboro YMCA**

Director of Human Resources Jeff Grant presented Tory Joyner, representing the YMCA, with a check for \$8,000.00. The funds came from the Run the 'Boro 5K / Holiday Celebration.

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

Deputy City Manager Robert Cheshire stated there will be a drop in reception for Mayor Jonathan McCollar at Joe Brannen Hall from 12:00 -2:00 pm. He also stated the funeral services for Deputy Fire Chief Ronnie Shaw will be held at two o'clock today at Joiner Anderson Funeral Home.

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

**A) Approval of Minutes**

**a) 12-05-2017 Council Minutes**

Councilman Yawn made a motion, seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve the consent agenda. 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 Professional Services Contract to EMC Engineering, in the amount of \$124,750.00 to provide engineering services associated with developing construction documents for “Phase I” of the proposed S. Main St. Improvements. (also referred to as the Blue Mile Streetscape Project). Phase I extends from Fair Rd. (SR 67) to Tillman Rd. The funding for these services will be shared between the City of Statesboro (\$68,250.00 from 2013 SPLOST) and the Blue Mile Foundation (\$56,500.00). Note: The award of this contract is only for services up to the bidding phase.**

Councilman Riggs made a motion seconded by Councilman Boyum to Award a Professional Services Contract to EMC Engineering, in the amount of \$124,750.00 to provide engineering services associated with developing construction documents for “Phase I” of the proposed S. Main St. Improvements. (also referred to as the Blue Mile Streetscape Project). Phase I extends from Fair Rd. (SR 67) to Tillman Rd. The funding for these services will be shared between the City of Statesboro (\$68,250.00 from 2013 SPLOST) and the Blue Mile Foundation (\$56,500.00). Note: The award of this contract is only for services up to the bidding phase. 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 contract for professional services to Hussey, Gay and Bell (HGB) Engineering for the design of upgrades to the Bird’s Pond Lift Station in an amount not to exceed 29,611.00. This project was approved as part of the 2018 Capital Improvements Program (WWD-153) with a total budget of \$150,000.00 and will be funded with Operation Revenue.**

Councilman Jones made a motion seconded by Councilman Yawn to award contract for professional services to Hussey, Gay and Bell (HGB) Engineering for the design of upgrades to the Bird’s Pond Lift Station in an amount not to exceed 29,611.00. This project was approved as part of the 2018 Capital Improvements Program (WWD-153) with a total budget of \$150,000.00 and will be funded with Operation Revenue. 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 Award of Contract to Southeastern Civil for the East Main Street Sidewalk project in the amount of \$477,927.50, based on unit pricing, with approval to spend up to \$525,000.00 with unit price extensions for additional quantities. This project will be funded by \$350,000.00 in 2013 SPLOST funds (as approved in the FY 2018 budget) and by a Georgia Department of Transportation Multi-Modal Safety and Access Grant in the amount of \$230,510.00. Total for this project, ENG-68 is \$580,510.00.**

Councilman Boyum made a motion seconded by Councilman Riggs to Approve Award of Contract to Southeastern Civil for the East Main Street Sidewalk project in the amount of \$477,927.50, based on unit pricing, with approval to spend up to \$525,000.00 with unit price extensions for additional quantities. This project will be funded by \$350,000.00 in 2013 SPLOST funds (as approved in the FY 2018 budget) and by a Georgia Department of Transportation Multi-Modal Safety and Access Grant in the amount of \$230,510.00. Total for this project, ENG-68 is \$580,510.00. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

**Public hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve Application # V 17-12-01: Whitfield signs requests a variance from Article XV Section 1590 (C) Table 5 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance for property located at 514 South Main Street regarding the maximum height and minimum required setback allowed for a freestanding sign in sign district 3. (Tax Parcel S22 000006 000)**

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

Josh Whitfield of Whitfield Signs spoke in favor of the request.

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

Councilman yawn made a motion seconded by Councilman Boyum to Approve **Application # V 17-12-01: Whitfield signs requests a variance from Article XV Section 1590 (C) Table 5 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance for property located at 470 South Main Street regarding the maximum height and minimum required setback allowed for a freestanding sign in sign district 3. (Tax Parcel S22 000006 000)** Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

**Public hearing and Consideration of a Motion to Approve Application # V 17-12-02: Whitfield signs requests a variance from Article XV Section 1590 (C) Table 5 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance for property located at 514 South Main Street regarding the maximum height allowed for a freestanding sign in sign district 3. (Tax Parcel S22 000007 000)**

There was not a motion to open the public hearing.

Josh Whitfield of Whitfield signs spoke in favor of the request.

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

Councilman Yawn made a motion seconded by Councilman Chance to Approve Application # V 17-12-02: Whitfield signs requests a variance from Article XV Section 1590 (C) Table 5 of the Statesboro Zoning Ordinance for property located at 514 South Main Street regarding the maximum height allowed for a freestanding sign in sign district 3. (Tax Parcel S22 000007 000) 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 six month contract with CSRA, Inc. to provide supervision and probation services to Statesboro Municipal Court.**

Councilman Riggs made a Motion seconded by Councilman Chance to approve six month contract with CSRA, Inc. to provide supervision and probation services to Statesboro Municipal Court. 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 agreement with Hines and Associates Inc. for utilization review services and other services for the management of health care claims of group members at the rate of \$2.05 / employee per month.**

Councilman Jones made a motion seconded by Councilman Yawn to approve an agreement with Hines and Associates Inc. for utilization review services and other services for the management of health care claims of group members at the rate of \$2.05 / employee per month. 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 agreement with Optum Inc. for managed transplant program services per employee at the rate of \$4.97 / single and \$11.92 / family per month.**

Councilman Jones made a motion seconded by Councilman Yawn to approve an agreement with Optum Inc. for managed transplant program services per employee at the rate of \$4.97 / single and \$11.92 / family per month. 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 the statement of rates with Taylor Benefit Resource and authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with Monumental Risk American National Inc. for stop-loss insurance coverage management services per employee at the rate of \$57.47 / single and \$187.06 / family per month.**

Councilman Jones made a motion seconded by Councilman Yawn to approve the statement of rates with Taylor Benefit Resource and authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with Monumental Risk American National Inc. for stop-loss insurance coverage management services per employee at the rate of \$57.47 / single and \$187.06 / family per month. 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 2018-01: A Resolution to hereby further amend the Classification and Compensation Plan a follows, that the Police Department create two part-time administrative clerk positions.**

Councilman Yawn made a motion seconded by Councilman Riggs to approve Resolution 2018-01: A Resolution to hereby further amend the Classification and Compensation Plan a follows, that the Police Department created two part-time administrative clerk positions. 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 2018-02: A Resolution to adopt the first amendment to the fiscal year 2018 budget for each fund of the City of Statesboro, Georgia.**

Councilman Riggs made a motion seconded by Councilman Boyum to approve Resolution 2018-02: A Resolution to adopt the first amendment to the fiscal year 2018 budget for each fund of the City of Statesboro, Georgia. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

**Discuss the City of Statesboro Health, Life and Disability third party RFQ recommendation report prepared by Michael Mark, Care Coordination of American (CCA).**

Councilman Chance reviewed the reasons for getting a third party recommendation for the City of Statesboro Health, Life and Disability broker services. Councilman Chance read the recommendation as written by Michael Mark. Mr. Mark comments stated if there was dissatisfaction with Glenn Davis and Associates then the recommendation would be to go with ShawHankins in the RFQ as presented.

**Consideration of a motion to approve RFQ recommendation by Michael Mark, Care Coordination of America (CCA): to award a contract to ShawHankins to provide brokerage services for health, life and disability insurance to the City of Statesboro.**

Councilman Yawn made a motion seconded by Councilman Boyum to award a contract to ShawHankins to provide brokerage services for health, life and disability insurance to the City of Statesboro. Councilman Yawn and Boyum voted in favor of the motion. Councilman Jones, Riggs and Chance voted against the motion. The motion failed.

Councilman Jones made a motion seconded by Councilman Chance to award a contract to Glenn Davis to provide brokerage services for health, life and disability insurance to the City of Statesboro. Councilman Jones, Riggs and Chance voted in favor of the motion, Councilman Boyum and Yawn voted against the motion. The motion carried with a 3-2 vote.

**Selection of method to procure property, liability and workers comp insurance.**

Councilman Boyum stated we need to leave the selection method the same as it has been, for staff to present their recommendations to Council. Councilman Yawn stated he has confidence in the City of Statesboro staff and we need to support them in their recommendations.

**Discussion of TSPLOST (Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax) negotiations.**

There were several meeting with the County and City officials regarding TSPLOST percentages. At the time, there was no resolution on how the funds would be divided. Councilman Chance stated he later met with County Commissioner Roy Thompson and they concluded the County now had on the table for the City to receive 43 percent of TSPLOST proceeds. Council thanked Councilman Chance for his efforts in helping to move forward with TSPLOST. Council agreed 43% was acceptable.

Councilman Chance made a motion seconded by Councilman Jones to accept the County's offer of 43 percent. 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 accept Jan J. Moore's letter of resignation from the TAD Advisory Committee.**

Councilman Yawn made a motion seconded by Councilman Boyum to accept Jan J. Moore's letter of resignation from the TAD advisory committee. 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 nominate and appoint a TAD advisory Committee member to replace Jan J. Moore.**

Councilman Chance made a motion seconded by Councilman Yawn to table this item until the next Council Meeting on January 16, 2018. Councilman Boyum, Jones, Yawn, Riggs and Chance voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried by a 5-0 vote.

Councilman Jones stated he also needed to resign from the TAD Advisory Committee.

Councilman Jones made a motion seconded by Councilman Boyum to accept Councilmen Jones' resignation from the TAD Advisory Committee and appoint Lisa Deloach as his replacement. 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:** None

**City Managers Comments:** None

**Public Comments (General):** None

**Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn**

Councilman Chance made a motion, seconded by Councilman Yawn to adjourn. 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 10:35 a.m.