



CITY OF STATESBORO
COUNCIL MINUTES
FEBRUARY 2, 2021

Regular Meeting

50 E. Main St. City Hall Council Chambers

9:00 AM

Call to Order

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the meeting to order

Invocation and Pledge

Councilmember Phil Boyum gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ATTENDANCE

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Jonathan McCollar	Mayor	Present	
Phil Boyum	Councilmember	Present	
Paulette Chavers	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
Venus Mack	Councilmember	Present	
John Riggs	Councilmember	Present	
Shari Barr	Councilmember	Present	

Other staff present: City Manager Charles Penny, Assistant City Manager Jason Boyles, Public Information Officer Layne Phillips, City Attorney Cain Smith and City Clerk Leah Harden

Public Comments (Agenda Item): None

Consideration of a Motion to approve the Consent Agenda

A) Approval of Minutes

- a) **01-19-2021 Work Session Minutes**
- b) **01-19-2021 Council Minutes**
- c) **01-19-2021 Executive Session Minutes**

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

RESULT:

Approved (Unanimous)

MOVER:

Mayor Pro Tem Paulette Chavers

SECONDER:

Councilmember Venus Mack

AYES:

Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr

ABSENT

Consideration of a motion to approve an Easement Agreement for installation of utility infrastructure at the Kiwanis Fairgrounds.

A Motion was made to approve an Easement Agreement for installation of utility infrastructure at the Kiwanis Fairgrounds.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember John Riggs
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

Consideration of a motion to approve a Lease Agreement to provide office space to Representative Rick Allen for an additional two years with no rent assessed.

A motion was made to approve a Lease Agreement to provide office space to Representative Rick Allen for an additional two years with no rent assessed.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Phil Boyum
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2021-05: A Resolution requesting approval to apply for Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the City of Statesboro, Georgia.

A motion was made to approve Resolution 2021-05 approval to apply for Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the City of Statesboro, Georgia.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember John Riggs
SECONDER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

Consideration of a motion to approve Resolution 2021-06: A Resolution to adopt the first amendment to the City of Statesboro Schedule of Fees, Rates, and Fines for Fiscal Year 2021.

A motion was made to approve Resolution 2021-06 adopting the first amendment to the City of Statesboro Schedule of Fees, Rates, and Fines for Fiscal Year 2021.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Paulette Chaves
SECONDER:	Councilmember John Riggs
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

Consideration of a motion to award a contract to Wade Ford in the total amount of \$80,332.00 for the purchase of two F-350 trucks (\$40,166.00 each). Both trucks will be paid from GMA Lease Pool.

A motion was made to award a contract to Wade Ford in the total amount of \$80,332.00 for the purchase of two F-350 trucks.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Venus Mack
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

Consideration of a motion to award a contract to JC Lewis Ford for the purchase of the following vehicles:

- a) **Two Ford Explorers in the total amount of \$58,930.00 (\$29,465.00 each). One vehicle will be paid from the Fleet Fund revenue and the other will be paid from Stormwater Fund revenue.**
- b) **Two Ford F-150 trucks in the total amount of \$53,752.56 (\$26,876.28 each). One truck will be paid from the Natural Gas Fund revenue and the other will be paid from Water/Sewer Fund revenue.**

A motion was made to award a contract to JC Lewis Ford for the purchase of two Ford Explorers in the total amount of \$58,930.00 and two Ford F-150 trucks in the total amount of \$53,752.56.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember Phil Boyum
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

Other Business from City Council:

Councilmember John Riggs announced Bulloch County was created February 8, 1796.

Councilmember Shari Barr reported that the food distribution last Saturday went very smoothly and that folks were very appreciative.

City Managers Comments

City Manager Charles Penny stated one of the items in the last FYI packet included a recommendation for relocation of the employee clinic from Brampton Avenue to Joe Brannen Hall. The clinic serviced the City of Statesboro and a local private sector employer but now it is just the City of Statesboro. We cannot justify the expenditure nor can we have someone there five days a week eight hours a day. However, if we can take the rent out of it, it would be feasible to have a site the City owns. There will still be a lot more planning involved but before we get to far into it we need some reaction from the Council regarding the use of Joe Brannen Hall for the clinic site. The clinic is important to our employees and their dependents and it helps save the City money.

The next item is regarding the discontinuation of the City’s Wellness Program. This program dates back to 2015 it allowed for employees to receive generic drugs free. This type of program needs to be reviewed and renewed every year however; it has not been consistently managed. Therefore, as of the beginning of this year any employee receiving generic drugs will be paying a copay.

Public Comments (General): None

Consideration of a Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss “Potential Litigation” in accordance with O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(b).

At 9:19 am, a motion was made to enter into Executive Session.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember John Riggs
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem Paulette Chavers
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

At 10:07 am, a motion was made to exit Executive Session.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember
SECONDER:	Councilmember
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the regular meeting back to order with no action taken in Executive Session.

Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn.

RESULT:	Approved (Unanimous)
MOVER:	Councilmember
SECONDER:	Councilmember
AYES:	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Riggs, Barr
ABSENT	Councilmember Venus Mack

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 am

Jonathan McCollar, Mayor

Leah Harden, City Clerk