



CITY OF STATESBORO  
COUNCIL MINUTES  
APRIL 04, 2023

Regular Meeting

50 E. Main St. City Hall Council Chambers

9:00 AM

**1. Call to Order**

Mayor Jonathan McCollar called the meeting to order

**2. Invocation and Pledge**

Councilmember Paulette Chavers gave the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ATTENDENCE**

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

**3. Recognitions and Public Presentations;**

**A) Presentation of a Proclamation recognizing April 2023 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.**

Mayor Jonathan McCollar read and presented a proclamation to Lora Cooper, Executive Director or PCA Bulloch, recognizing April 2023 as Child Abuse Prevention month.

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

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

**A) Approval of Minutes**

**a) 03-21-2023 Council Minutes**

**b) 03-21-2023 Executive Session Minutes**

**B) Consideration of a motion for approval of surplus and disposition of a 2006 Chevrolet Impala in the Planning & Development department.**

A motion was made to approve the consent agenda.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Venus Mack
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

**6. Public Hearing and Consideration of a motion to approve application for an alcohol license in accordance with the City of Statesboro alcohol ordinance Sec. 6-13(a):**

**Blue Mile Wine & Spirits  
12 Brannen Street  
License Type: Package sales Beer, Wine, and Distilled Spirits**

A Motion was made to open the public hearing.

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

No one spoke for or against the request.

A Motion was made to close the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Venus Mack
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

A Motion was made to approve the application of an alcohol license for Package Sales: Beer, Wine, and Distilled Spirits to: Blue Mile Wine & Spirits located at 12 Brannen Street.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Venus Mack
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

**7. Public hearing and Consideration of a motion to approve application for an alcohol license in accordance with the City of Statesboro alcohol ordinance Sec. 6-13 (a):**

- A) AMC Statesboro 12**  
**991 Lovett Road**  
**License Type: Restaurant**
- B) Blue Mile Pizza**  
**408 South Main Street**  
**License Type: Restaurant**

A motion was made to open the public hearing.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Venus Mack
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

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<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

A Motion was made to approve the application of an alcohol license for the license type: Restaurant to: AMC Statesboro 12 located at 991 Lovett Road and Blue Mile Pizza located at 408 South Main Street.

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

**8. Consideration of a motion to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Hussy, Gay, Bell Engineering Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$40,320.00 to provide design, bid, grant application and contract administration services for the extension of sanitary sewer service inside of Bruce Yawn Commerce Park to serve Aspen Aerogels. To be paid for with Grant Proceeds and System Revenues.**

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<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Venus Mack
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

**9. Consideration of a motion to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Hussy, Gay, Bell Engineering Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$93,870.00 to provide design, bid, easement acquisition services and contract administration services for the extension of sanitary sewer service to the Ramble Road Subdivision. To be paid for with ARPA funds approved in CIP Project #32-E.**

A motion was made to approve a Professional Services Agreement with Hussy, Gay, Bell Engineering Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$93,870.00 to provide design, bid, easement acquisition services and contract administration services for the extension of sanitary sewer service to the Ramble Road Subdivision. To be paid for with ARPA funds approved in CIP Project #32-E.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Phil Boyum
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

**10. Consideration of a motion to approve selection of Goodwin Mills Cawood and authorize the City Manager to negotiate a contract with Bulloch County for the Statesboro-Bulloch County Long Range Transportation Plan to be paid with TSPOST funds. Final contract to be approved by City Council at a later date.**

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<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Venus Mack
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

**11. Consideration of a motion to approve the purchase of a 2023 Ford Explorer for the Statesboro Fire Department, for an amount not to exceed \$55,000.00.**

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<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Venus Mack
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

**12. Other Business from City Council:**

Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr congratulated Councilmember Paulette Chavers for winning the storybook character contest for the Ferst Readers fundraiser and for being nominated to serve as the GMA 12<sup>th</sup> district 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President.

Councilmember Phil Boyum stated that he completed the City Gym tour and suggested adding going to the gym a part of Public works employee’s routine/work schedule.

Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr announced that the City is hiring 19 firefighters and open interviews will be held on April 12, 2023.

City Manager Charles Penny announced that this evening the City is hosting a job fair on Georgia Southern Campus at the Nesmith Lane Center from 4 pm – 7 pm.

Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr shared that Earth Day celebration week is April 17 – 21 and anyone who is interested in making Statesboro greener, cleaner, happier and a healthier place may stop by DSDA from 2 pm – 4 pm to receive information on where the work area is for that day.

**13. City Managers Comments:** None

**14. Public Comments (General):** None

**15. Consideration of a Motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss “Personnel Matters”  
“Real Estate” and/or “Potential Litigation” in accordance with O.C.G.A 50-14-3(b).**

At 9:26 am a motion was made to enter into executive session.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Venus Mack
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

At 11:14 am a motion was made to exit executive session.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mayor Pro Tem Shari Barr
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Venus Mack
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

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

A motion was made to appoint Andrew Long to the Statesboro Tree Board.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Venus Mack
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

City Manager Charles Penny reminded everyone that this Friday April 7<sup>th</sup> we will be off for the Good Friday holiday.

Mayor Jonathan McCollar announced that one of the Statesboro Area Transit buses is outside to see and take a few photos.

## 16. Consideration of a Motion to Adjourn

A motion was made to adjourn.

<b>RESULT:</b>	Approved (Unanimous)
<b>MOVER:</b>	Councilmember Venus Mack
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Councilmember Paulette Chavers
<b>AYES:</b>	Boyum, Chavers, Mack, Barr
<b>ABSENT</b>	Councilmember John Riggs

The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 am.

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Jonathan McCollar, Mayor

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Leah Harden, City Clerk