

Canton, Georgia

*151 Elizabeth Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes - Final - Draft

Thursday, September 15, 2016

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council

1. Meeting Called to Order

Present for the meeting were:

*Mayor Gene Hobgood
Councilmember John Rust
Councilmember Bill Grant
Councilmember JoEllen Wilson
Councilmember Sandy McGrew
Councilmember Farris Yawn
City Manager Billy Peppers
Jeff Rusbridge – City Attorney
Mark Mitchell – Police Chief
Nathan Ingram – Chief Financial Officer
Ken Patton – Community Development Director
Scott Hooper – Public Works Director
Camille Wehs – Chief Information Officer
Susan C. Stanton – City Clerk*

Councilmember Jack Goodwin arrived about 18 minutes after the start of the meeting.

2. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Hobgood and the invocation was given by Councilmember Rust.

3. Guests and Visitors

- A.** Employee Recognition - Police Chief Mark Mitchell - Attachment 3A

Attachments: [Employee recognitions- promotions](#)

Police Chief Mark Mitchell recognized Sgt. James McPherson, Cpl. Mary Turner, and Cpl. Jesse Ray for their promotions.

- B.** Proclamation for Constitution Week, September 19 - 23

Mayor Hobgood presented the Proclamation to the Daughters of the American Revolution member Mary Bennett.

4. Public Announcements

Councilmember McGrew announced this evening's reception at the Arts Center for Maya Culture Heritage Month which runs through the end of the month and Dumpster Days this weekend at City Hall 9am -1pm; Councilmember Wilson announced the Reinhardt 5K run this Saturday, and Mayor Hobgood announced the declaration of a drought in Georgia and dedication at the Etowah River Park to Parrie Jean Pinyan on September 16.

5. Consideration to Approve Agenda

Mayor Hobgood announced that a request was made that Items C and D under

Old Business be removed from the agenda and added Item F to address the Fields of Faith sign fee waiver request.

Councilmember Rust made a motion to approve the Agenda as amended; Councilmember Grant seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

6. Consideration to Approve Minutes

A. Minutes - Attachment 6A

Attachments: [September 01, 2016 Public Hearing Minutes.pdf](#)
[September 01, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

Councilmember Rust made a motion to approve the Minutes as revised; Councilmember Yawn seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

7. Ten Minute Public Input

None.

8. CONSENT AGENDA - Items to Consider for Consent Agenda

A. Approval of the Revised Business Travel Policy

Attachments: [Travel Policy Memo](#)
[Travel Policy rev 08012016](#)

B. Approval of Ordinance Amendment to Canton Development Code for CBD (Central Business District) to Allow Restaurant with Drive-Through Facility - New Attachment 8B

Attachments: [CBD restaurant with drive-through](#)

C. Approval of the River Green Agreement to Settle Unused Tap Credits

Attachments: [River Green Agreement](#)

D. Approval of Non-Exclusive Easement with State of Georgia Department of Defense (Canton Armory)

Attachments: [Canton Armory Easement](#)

E. Approval of Creation of a Parks & Recreation Advisory Board

Attachments: [Parks and Rec Advisory Board Ordinance-1](#)

***Councilmember Grant made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda;
Councilmember Rust seconded the motion.***

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

9. OLD BUSINESS

- A.** Discussion of Enforcement Method for Enforcement of the Rental Property Agreement Registry in the Unified Development Code - City Manager Billy Peppers

Attachments: [Rental Property Registry](#)
 [UDC](#)

City Manager Peppers had nothing new to report, he will present an Administrative Policy to Council in October.

- B.** Discussion and Possible Action on Canton Place and Northside Cherokee Hospital Master Sign Plan

Councilmember Wilson made a motion to approve the plans; Councilmember Rust seconded the motion.

Councilmember Grant asked for more time to consider the proposed gateway signage on Hwy. 140 which was presented to Council two days ago.

Councilmember Rust made a motion to postpone discussion with possible action until October's work session; Councilmember Grant seconded the motion.

Following discussion and agreement that the plan can be approved without the recently submitted addition of the gateway signage, Councilmember Rust withdrew his motion.

Councilmember Wilson amended her motion to approve the Canton Place Master Signage as submitted; Councilmember Goodwin seconded the motion.

Vote: 3 ayes from Councilmembers Wilson, Goodwin, and Yawn 3 nays: Councilmembers McGrew, Grant, and Rust

Mayor Hobgood broke the tie with a vote of no. Motion Fails.

Councilmember Rust made a motion to approve Phase One with the exclusion of the 140 signage; Councilmember Yawn seconded the motion.

Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays So approved

- C.** Discussion and Possible Action on Planning Commission Recommendation for Case Ax1604-001 Located at the Intersection of Knox Bridge Hwy. and Butterworth Rd. for Mountain Oil Express - Community Development Director Ken Patton

This Item was removed from the Agenda.

- D. Discussion and Possible Action on Planning Commission Recommendation for Case(s) Ax1604-001 Located at the Intersection of Knox Bridge Hwy. and Butterworth Rd. for Mountain Oil Express - Community Development Director Ken Patton - New Attachment 9D

Attachments: [mountain oil annexation_09-07-2016](#)

This Item was removed from the Agenda.

- E. Discussion and Possible Action on Committee Appointments - Mayor Gene Hobgood

Attachments: [Committee Appointments](#)

Mayor Hobgood nominated Rod Drake, Cory Wilson, and Earl Darby to replace Wanda Roach, Lewis Cline, and Cleveland Chambers on the Downtown Development Authority; and recommended reappointment of Stacy Yawn and Bob Rugg to the Historic Preservation Commission and Jeremy Sexton to the IPMC Board of Appeals.

Councilmember Grant made a motion to approve the Committee appointments as nominated by the Mayor; Councilmember Yawn seconded the motion.

Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays So approved

Item F. Discussion and Action on Request of Sign Fee Waiver for Fields of Faith Athletic Event

Councilmember Goodwin made a motion to approve the waiver; Councilmember Rust seconded the motion.

Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays So approved

10. NEW BUSINESS

None.

11. City Manager's Report

City Manager Peppers reported that it is not cost effective for the City to continue in the Federal HIDTA Task Force and that the position will be converted to a detective position in the special victim unit. Also, work on Wooded Mountain Trail will begin October 01, 2016 with a 90 day completion date.

12. Mayor's Report

None.

13. Adjourn

Councilmember Rust made a motion to adjourn; Councilmember Goodwin seconded the motion.

Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays So approved