

# **Canton, Georgia**

*151 Elizabeth Street  
Canton, Georgia 30114*



## **Minutes - Final - Draft**

**Thursday, March 2, 2017**

**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 Jack Goodwin*

*Councilmember JoEllen Wilson*

*Councilmember Sandy McGrew*

*Councilmember Farris Yawn*

*City Manager Billy Peppers*

*Bobby Dyer – City Attorney*

*Nathan Ingram – Chief Financial Officer*

*Ken Patton – Community Development Director*

*Scott Hooper – Public Works Director*

*Angela Thompson - Communications and Outreach Director*

**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****4. Public Service Announcements**

*Saturday, March 04, is Play in Canton Day from 10am until 2pm at Etowah River Park; Cherokee County Historical Society continues to show Doughboys on the Home Front through April; the Cherokee Arts Center is hosting the Cherokee County Schools District art show with a reception on March 09 at 6pm; comedian J.R. Cochran will be performing at the Arts Center on Saturday, March 04, 8pm.; "Paradise" will be showing at Canton Theatre, March 10 - 19; A Novel Idea, a literary event, is held at the Snug on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 7-9pm, this month's theme is Lifescapes; Dizzy Dean parade is on March 12, 3pm; the "A Book of My Own" book drive delivered books to Hasty Elementary and all students will be receiving a book on Friday, March 03.*

**5. Consideration to Approve Agenda**

*Mayor Hobgood removed Item 11E which was placed on the agenda in error and added an executive session for the discussion of personnel.*

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

*Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

**6. Consideration to Approve Minutes****A. Consideration to Approve Minutes - Attachment 6A**

*Councilmember Grant made a motion to approve the Minutes; Councilmember*

*Yawn seconded the motion.*

*Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

## **7. Acknowledgement of Financials**

- A. January Financials, Chief Financial Officer Nathan Ingram - Attachment 7A

Attachments: [FY 2017-Jan](#)

*There were no questions or comments.*

## **8. Ten Minute Public Input**

*Thomas Weaver - spoke in support of ordinance amendments listed on the consent agenda.*

## **9. CONSENT AGENDA - Items to Consider for Consent Agenda**

- A. Discussion of Amendment to City Ordinance Section 18-274 to Change Wording From "Firearms" to "Weapons" in Accordance with O.C.G.A. 16-11-173 - City Attorney Bobby Dyer - Attachment 9A

Attachments: [Canton Code 18-274.docx](#)  
[O.C.G.A. 16-11-173 Weapon Regulation.docx](#)

- B. Discussion of Amendment to City Ordinance Section 42-80 Through 42-83 in Accordance with O.C.G.A. 17-5-50 Through 17-5-54 - City Attorney Bobby Dyer - Attachments 9B

Attachments: [Canton Code 42-80 thru 42-83.docx](#)  
[O.C.G.A. 17-5-50 through 17-5-54.pdf](#)

*This is the first reading of the ordinances amendments. The second reading and vote will be held on March 16, 2017.*

## **10. OLD BUSINESS**

*None.*

## **11. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Discussion of On-Street Parking Issues and Potential No Parking Signage at Preserve at Holly Springs HOA, Mike Nowell, President - Ken Patton

*Mike Nowell, a member of the HOA board for The Preserve at Holly Springs, reported on parking problems being experienced in the neighborhood and asked for the City's assistance. The City Manager will look into the situation and determine possible resolutions.*

- B. Review and Discussion of Surplus Auction Items - Chief Financial Officer Nathan Ingram - Attachment 11B

Attachments: [Auction Surplus Assets](#)

*This matter will be placed on the next City Council meeting agenda for a vote.*

- C. Discussion of FY 2016 Year End Budget Amendment - Chief Financial Officer Nathan Ingram - Attachment 11C

Attachments: [BA Year End](#)

*This matter will be placed on the next City Council meeting agenda for a vote.*

- D. Discussion of New Soil and Erosion Model Ordinance - Merrick McClure - Attachment 11D

Attachments: [Model Ordinance June 2016](#)

*This ordinance amendment will be placed back on the agenda after further revision.*

- E. Discussion to Allow Northside Hospital to Install an Emergency Sign on the City's Mast Arm - City Engineer Dave Hatabian - Attachments 11E

Attachments: [NSH Cherokee Blvd Emergency Sign](#)  
[NSH Emergency Sign Request](#)

*This item was removed from the Agenda.*

- F. Discussion Regarding an Amendment to the City of Canton Ordinance Prohibiting the Retail Sale of Dogs & Cats in All Zoning Districts - Mayor Gnee Hobgood

*Mayor Hobgood read a proposed ordinance regarding the restriction of retail sales of dogs and/or cats by pet stores.*

*This is the first reading of the ordinance amendment. The second reading and vote will be held on March 16, 2017.*

## 12. City Manager's Report

*City Manager Billy Peppers called Council's attention to a portion of the current UDC, section 110.02.02.L, which appears to be contrary to policy regarding City acceptance of water mains on private roads. This is the first reading of the ordinance amendment. The second reading and vote will be held on March 16, 2017.*

*Also, Pod L7, Phase 2 in Soleil, a gravity line installed by the builder Patrick Malloy creates gaseous odors, a force main is recommended to resolve the issue. Malloy asks that the City reimburse it for the force main. Council does not agree to reimbursement.*

*Council will be presented with the City's Comprehensive Plan update in April.  
A stakeholder group will be needed for the process.*

*The Panera Bread Company has presented a packet of elevation information to  
the Historic Preservation Commission for consideration.*

**13. Mayor's Report**

*None.*

**14. Adjourn**

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

*Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays So approved*

*Council did not return to open session.*