

Canton, Georgia

*151 Elizabeth Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes - Final - Draft

Thursday, March 16, 2017

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council

1. Meeting Called to Order

Present for the meeting were:

Mayor Gene Hobgood

Councilmember Bill Grant

Councilmember Jack Goodwin

Councilmember JoEllen Wilson

Councilmember Sandy McGrew

Councilmember Farris Yawn

City Manager Billy Peppers

Bobby Dyer – City Attorney

Mark Mitchell – Police Chief

Ken Patton – Community Development Director

Scott Hooper – Public Works Director

Angela Thompson - Communications and Outreach Director

Pat Gold - Public Outreach Manager

Susan C. Stanton – City Clerk

Councilmember John Rust was not present

2. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation

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

3. Guests and Visitors

- A.** Employee Recognition, Accomplishments and Commendations - Attachment 3A

Attachments: [Recognition Memo.pdf](#)

Alec Robles, Lt. John Lummus, and Sgt. Jesse Hamilton were recognized for their new employment and promotions with the City. Sgts. Stephen Delman, Jesse Hamilton, and James McPherson, and Officer Jose Soto, as well as Asst. Chief Stephen Merrifield, Sgt. Ben Gilleland, and Officers Jimmy Butler and Kyle Smith were recognized for 2 separate incidents of patience, perseverance, and compassion in the safe resolution of situations involving distraught persons.

- B.** Recognition of Cherokee Youth Basketball (CYB) Championship Teams, Grades 7 Grade and Up

Mayor Hobgood congratulated members of Cherokee Youth Basketball for their 2017 Championships.

4. Public Service Announcements

Public Service Announcements Attached

Attachments: [Upcoming Events.docx](#)

5. Consideration to Approve Agenda

Mayor Hobgood added an executive session for discussion of possible litigation.

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

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

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

Attachments: [March 02, 2017 Council Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

Councilmember McGrew made a motion to approve the Minutes; Councilmember Grant seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

7. Ten Minute Public Input

Carol Mudd, Megan Wargula Harbin, Debra Berger, Tamara Feliciano, Rachel Pomberg, Melony Phillips, Karen Paul, Violet Carr, Jolynne VanCamp, Dee Graff, Charlotte Griffin, Lindsey Frangey(?), Karen Capland spoke in support of the proposed ordinance to ban retail sales of puppies and kittens.

Shawn Davis, Peggy Davis, Mike Davis, Monte Brokote, Brad Parker, Peter Maraldo, Hunt McDonald, spoke in opposition of the proposed ordinance to ban retail sales of puppies and kittens.

8. CONSENT AGENDA - Items to Consider for Consent Agenda**A. Approval of Year-End Budget Amendment - Attachment**

Attachments: [Year End Budget Amendment.pdf](#)

B. Approval of Surplus Auction Items - Attachment

Attachments: [Auction Surplus Assets](#)

C. Approval 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 - New Attachment 8C

Attachments: [18-274 Ordinance.docx](#)

D. Approval of Amendment to City Ordinance 42-80 Through 42-83 in

Accordance with O.C.G.A. 17-5-50 Through 17-5-54 Regarding Disposition of Unclaimed Confiscated Personal Property- New Attachment 8D

Attachments: [42-80 Ordinance.docx](#)

Councilmember Yawn made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda; Councilmember Wilson seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

9. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Discussion and Possible Action on Ordinance Prohibiting the Retail Sale of Dogs and Cats by Pet Stores - New Attachment 9A

Attachments: [Pet Shop Ordinance.docx](#)

All Councilmembers made statements of support for the ordinance and reported having received calls of approval from City residents.

Councilmember McGrew made a motion to approve the proposed ordinance; Councilmember Yawn seconded the motion.

Called for a Roll Call vote:

<i>Councilman Bill Grant</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Councilman Farris Yawn</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Councilman Jack Goodwin</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Councilwoman Sandy McGrew</i>	<i>yes</i>
<i>Councilman JoEllen Wilson</i>	<i>yes</i>

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

- B. Discussion and Possible Action on Ordinance to Amend Numerous Sections of the Unified Development Code - Community Development Director Ken Patton - New Attachments 9B

Attachments: [UDC working existing-proposed updated March 3, 2017](#)
[Ordinance for Code of Ordinance & UDC amendments v2 Updated after Ma](#)

Mayor Hobgood requested that due to the complexity of this item, that it be moved to the next Council meeting for review.

Councilmember Yawn made a motion to postpone this item until next month except for the portion regarding water mains, Code Section 110.02.02(L) ; Councilmember Wilson seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

Councilmember Grant made a motion to approve the item regarding water mains, Code Section 110.02.02(L) and change the word "will" to "may"; Councilmember Wilson seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

- C. Discussion and Possible Action to Amend Canton's Code of Ordinances, Development Code as it Pertains to Apartments - Community Development Director Ken Patton - New Attachment 9C

Attachments: [Unified Development Code Amendment Chapters 102 and 106.doc](#)

Councilmember Grant made a motion to approve future as well as existing masterplans for multi-family housing as conditional use only in all zoning districts throughout the City; Councilmember McGrew seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

Councilmember Wilson made a motion to end the City imposed moratorium on new apartment construction; Councilmember Goodwin seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

10. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Discussion of Professional Services to Review City of Canton Information Technology Systems - City Manager Billy Peppers - New Attachments 10A

Attachments: [Interdev - IT-GIS Assessment Proposal 2-13-17](#)
[VC3 Assessment Proposal.pdf](#)

City Manager Billy Peppers informed Council that he has accepted a couple of bids for a complete assessment of the City's IT system. He will be selecting a service provider within a few days.

11. City Manager's Report

None.

12. Mayor's Report

None.

13. Adjourn

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

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

Council did not return to open session.