

Canton, Georgia

*151 Elizabeth Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes - Final - Final

Thursday, July 2, 2015

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

City Council

1. Meeting Called to Order

Present for the meeting were:

Mayor Gene Hobgood

Councilman John Rust

Councilman Bill Grant

Councilman Jack Goodwin

Councilwoman Sandy McGrew

Councilman Farris Yawn

City Manager Billy Peppers

Jeff Rusbridge for Bobby Dyer – City Attorney

Mark Mitchell – Police Chief

Melissa Forrester – Accounting Services Manager

Ken Patton – Community Development Director

Merrick McClure – Stormwater Manager

David Hatabian – City Engineer

Camille Wehs - Chief Information Officer

Councilman Hooky Huffman was not present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance/Invocation

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

3. Guests and Visitors**4. Consideration to Approve Agenda**

Councilman Rust made a motion to approve the Agenda; Councilman Goodwin seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

5. Consideration to Approve Minutes**A. Minutes - Attachment 5A**

Attachments: [June 18, 2015 Council Meeting Minutes.pdf](#)

Councilman Goodwin made a motion to approve the Minutes; Councilman Rust seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

6. Acknowledgement of Financials**A. Financials - Accounting Manager Melissa Forrester - Attachment 6A**

Attachments: [FY 2015-May.pdf](#)

There were no questions or comments.

7. Ten Minute Public Input

None.

8. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Update on City Goals:
Master Plan for Downtown/Entire City - Councilmembers McGrew and Grant
Economic Development - Mayor Hobgood, Councilmembers Goodwin and Huffman
Improved Management of Parks and Recreation - Councilman Huffman
Debt Reduction - City Manager Peppers

Master Plan - Councilmember Grant reported that the recommendation for the LCI contract has been made.

Economic Development - Mayor Hobgood reported on another restaurant opening in downtown Canton.

Park Management - Councilman Huffman was not present.

Debt Reduction - Nothing new to report.

- B. Discussion of Selection of Consulting Firm TSW for Preparation of the LCI River Mill Master Plan Update and Contract - Councilmembers Grant and McGrew, Community Development Director Ken Patton - Attachment 8B

Attachments: [LCI Recommendation Memo and Contract.pdf](#)

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

- C. Discussion of the Old Ball Ground Sewer Design Task Order - City Manager Peppers, City Engineer Dave Hatabian

City Engineer Dave Hatabian briefly explained the preferred replacement plan and reported that he is working with a proposal received from Atkins for design, survey, construction management services, etc.

- D. Discussion of the Storm Pipe Replacement Project Bid Results - City Manager Peppers, City Engineer Dave Hatabian - Attachment 8D

Attachments: [Bid tab.xlsx](#)

City Engineer Dave Hatabian reported that bids have been received for the first phase of the project. Georgia Development Partners is recommended for the project; GDP was the low bidder on the entire contract even though their bid on the first phase was not the lowest.

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

- E. Discussion of the Encroachment and Removal of Trees from Riverstone Parkway, GDOT Right-of-Way - City Manager Peppers, Community Development Director Ken Patton - Attachment 8E

Attachments: [Riverstone Parkway ROW Bids.pdf](#)

Community Development Director Ken Patton reported that GDOT will allow an encroachment and will require an agreement. The low bidder on the project was Postell Tree Service for \$19,500. The Mayor asked the City Manager to make a determination as to what funds are available for the project.

- F. Update on Wiley Wilson Contract - City Manager Peppers, Chief Dean Floyd

Councilman Rust made a motion to approve the Contract; Councilman Goodwin seconded the motion.

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

9. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Information and Request to Use Monies in the Police Department Budget for the Purchase of Body Cameras for Full Deployment with our Patrol Officers - City Manager Peppers, Chief Mark Mitchell

Police Chief Mitchell spoke with Council regarding his request for the expenditure of \$45,000 for a complete body camera system.

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

- B. Information and Request to Use Monies in the Police Department Budget to Pay for Services and Maintenance with a New Police Radio Communication Company - City Manager Peppers, Chief Mark Mitchell

Police Chief Mitchell spoke with Council regarding his request for the expenditure of funding for radio communications services through Diversified Electronics which will cover current dead spots and secure the safety of the City's officers. Also important is that this system will also allow interoperability with surrounding law enforcement departments.

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

- C. Discussion Regarding Quit Claim Deed for 1987 Community Development Block Grant Loan - Mayor Hobgood - Attachment 9C

Attachments: [QCD Release G.C.Arnold.docx](#)

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

- D. Discussion of Election Call Resolution - Mayor Hobgood - Attachment 9D

Attachments: [Election Call resolution.docx](#)

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

- E. Discussion of Public Works Recommendation to Contract with Bartow Paving for LMIG Projects in the Amount of \$182,290.72 - City Manager Peppers, Merrick McClure - Attachment 9E

Attachments: [LMIG AGENDA REPORT July 2015.docx](#)
 [2015 LMIG BID TABS.xlsx](#)
 [Bartow Paving Contract Signed.pdf](#)

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

- F. 1st Reading of Request for Alcohol License by Green Line Brewery, 192 Main Street, Outlet Manager - Brent St Vrain - City Manager Peppers, Community Development Director Ken Patton - Attachment 9F

Attachments: [alcohol license request GREEN LINE BREWERY.xlsx](#)

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

- G. Discussion of Planning Commission Recommendation for Case MP1505-001, Laurel Canyon, Jay Clark - City Manager Peppers, Community Development Director Ken Patton - Attachment 9G

Attachments: [MP1505-001 Laurel Canyon MP amend.pdf](#)

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

- H. Discussion of School Safety Zones, Fireworks, and Firearms - Resident Thomas Weaver

Discussion of School Safety Zones as Adopted by Resolution on November 20, 2015 - Attachment 9H

Discussion of Public Act 50 of 2015 Regarding Fireworks Regulations and its Effects on City Ordinances - Attachment 9H

Discussion of Public Act 100 of 2015 Regarding Firearms Regulations and its Effects on City Ordinances - Attachment 9H

Attachments: [School Zone Resolution and Bldgs A and B Map.pdf](#)
 [HB 110 aka Public Act 50.pdf](#)
 [HB 492 aka Public Act 100.pdf](#)
 [Canton's Fireworks and Firearms Ordinances.docx](#)

Resident Thomas Weaver asked that Council begin examination of these matters.

10. City Manager's Report

- A. Discussion of Budget Calendar - City Manager Peppers

City Manager Peppers reminded Council of the planned budget review session on July 14.

11. Council Introduced Items

12. Mayor's Report

- A. Announcement of Nominations of 3 Members to the International Property Maintenance Code Board of Appeals - Mayor Hobgood

Mayor Hobgood asked for any Council nominations for the Board.

13. Adjourn to Executive Session to Discuss Real Estate and Litigation

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

Vote: 5 ayes, 0 nays So approved

Council did not return to open session.

Gene Hobgood, Mayor

Susan C. Stanton, City Clerk

August 06, 2015
Date Minutes Approved by Council