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November 1, 2016
Regular Council Meeting

Minutes

Mayor called the Regular Meeting to order immediately following the Public Hearing at 7:36 PM.

Mayor called on Council to review minutes from October 4 Regular Meeting, October 11 Budget Workshop, October 13 CBDG Public Hearing, October 20 Call Meeting, October 20 Budget Workshop, and October 25 Budget Workshop. The Mayor explained that Mike Jacobs from the SGRDC had not been able to get the finalized minutes of the October 13 CBDG Public Hearing so they would move those minutes to the December meeting to review. Member Sauls made a motion to approve the minutes from October 4 Regular Meeting, October 11 Budget Workshop, October 20 Call Meeting, October 20 Budget Workshop, and October 25 Budget Workshop, Member Sandlin second the motion, all in favor minutes approved.

Mayor asked Council to review the September 2016 financials. Member Carter made a motion to accept as presented, Member Sandlin second, all in favor motion passed.

Citizen's Concerns – non at this time

Mayor called on Rachel Strom from the Southern Georgia Regional Commission to come and give her presentation of a GIS Mapping system, in particular for the Lake Park Memorial Cemetery. City had GIS utilities mapped several years ago, and GIS maps have not been updated. Quote for updating utilities would be \$2593. Quote for mapping of the Lake Park Memorial Cemetery would be \$5131 with annual support for both utility mapping and Cemetery being \$1500 per year, beginning 12 months after the delivery of product. After presentation, Council discussed the benefits that the mapping system would give to the City and the citizens. Member Carter made a motion to approve the service bid of \$2593 to be paid from SPLOST VII from the Water/Sewer funds. Motion died for lack of second. Member Sauls stated she wanted to wait until after the cemetery committee met and made a decision on the cemetery mapping. She made a motion to meet and discuss the bundling of the two projects after cemetery committee made their decision before going further. Funds for the utility mapping to be paid for from SPLOST VII water/sewer fund, and the cemetery fund would be

responsible for the mapping of the cemetery. Member Sandlin second the motion, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor called for agenda item Safe Sidewalks. Mayor stated that although this is an important project for the city, however at this time there is not enough funding for it. He asked Council for a motion. Member Sandlin made a motion to put the safe sidewalk project to the side until after the first of year to better look at finances, Member Carter second, all in favor motion passed.

Mayor stated that the Service Delivery agreement was still ongoing. He asked Attorney Plumb to give a brief update. No action taken.

Mayor called for agenda item generators. He explained that he had priced used/refurbished generators on GovDeals.com and explained the items he found. No action taken at this time.

Mayor asked Jeff Patterson to come forward to discuss the agenda item of tree removal. Patterson explained that he had gotten a revised bid on just the two trees located on Main Street and Cotton/Gordon for a total of \$1200. The other trees previously discussed near the railroad were found out not to be on city property. Discussion of notifying property owners of their tree hazards followed. Member Carter suggested the Town Marshall handle the correspondence with property owners. Tree bid was tabled until after budget meeting.

Mayor called for department reports.

He asked Fire Chief David Brown for his report to begin with the temporary Sunday burn. Chief Brown explained the temporary Sunday burn was used as a way for citizens to clean up after the storms that came through the area. He felt now that there had been enough time for that to have been taken care of. Member Sandlin made a motion to reinstate the Sunday Burn Ban, Member Carter second the motion, all in favor motion passed. Chief Brown went on with his department report. (see attached) He further stated that the fire department had held its MDA fund raiser on September 30 and had raised about \$2400. The fire department has been working along with Jeff Patterson and the community service workers to test the fire hoses and fire hydrants and said they should be completed before the end of the year. Chief Brown gave an update on the tanker and also stated that the fire trucks were in serious need of servicing. Member Carter made a motion to authorize Chief Brown to have trucks serviced and for that to be paid out of fire department budget, line item small equipment, Member Sauls second all in favor motion passed.

Maintenance Supervisor Jeff Patterson came before Council. He stated that he realized that funds were tight but he has a growing stack of tires that need to be disposed of. Mayor and Council asked where the tires came from and Patterson explained that they are picked up off the sides of the road and streets. He further said he had about 20 to get rid of and the charge for that is \$2.00 a tire. Council agreed to use funds from budget line item training and education.

Police Chief James Breletic came forward to give his department report. He gave a summary of calls, patrol miles, and arrests. He further stated that there were a

couple of events coming up like the Girls Run over on 4-H Club, and the Lake Park Elementary Fall Festival. He advised Council that the recent Haunted House was a success and that he hoped to continue the event. This year's haunted house raised approximately \$1500 for the Lake Park Elementary PE Department. Breletic asked for Council decision on what to do with a \$20 cash donation that was mailed in with no name or return address. Attorney Plumb advised to deposit into general fund.

Citizen's Concerns

David Brown, 6899 Wisenbaker Rd, asked Council to move \$1200 from Fire Department budget, line item communications, to pay for the tree removal.

Jeff Patterson, 503 Ricks Street, asked that the next time Council is meeting or having an event to contact him if something happens with electrical.

Mayor gave a report on upcoming events;

District 11 GMA Meeting in Douglas, November 9

Veterans Day Friday November 11 at 4:30 PM – gathering at site of Veterans Memorial at Tom's Pond, will have American flag on pedestal and have Veterans on hand to speak.

Citizen of the Year to be in Christmas Parade – would like to send an official invitation to Bert Rutland. Would also like to award him with honorary key to the city before Council meeting on December 6 at 6:30 PM with refreshments.

Christmas Tree Lighting December 8 at 7:00 P.M – Would like to send an official invitation to Josh Allen to be our tree lighter.

Member Sauls made a motion to go into Executive Session at 9:30 PM to discuss real estate. Member Sandlin second, all in favor motion passed.

Member Sauls made a motion to come out of Executive Session at 9:58 PM and to authorize the Mayor to sign the affidavit stating the subject matter of the closed meeting was to cover the subject matter of real estate. Member Carter second the motion, all in favor motion passed.

Member Sandlin made a motion to adjourn at 10:00 PM, Member Sauls second, all in favor motion passed.

Read & approved _____ Date _____

*Budget work session Monday November 7, 2016 at 6:30 PM.