CITY OF TWIN CITY GEORGIA

THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

March 5, 2019

7:30 PM

112 South Railroad Avenue

Twin City, Georgia 30471

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Dudley

Mayor Eileen Dudley

Present

Mayor Pro Tem Matt Donaldson

Present

Commissioner Jesse Brown

Present

Commissioner Artie Fields

Present

Commissioner Jule Bady Jr.

Present

INVOCATION: Randal Beach, Police Chief

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: In unison

A motion was made by Mayor pro tem Donaldson to Approve the Agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown; motion approved.

A motion was made by Mayor pro tem Donaldson to approve the minutes from the February 5, 2019 Regular Meeting and Workshop Session of the

Mayor and City Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown; motion approved.

Guests:

Donna Neal – general concerns about Twin City-ABSENT

Charles Moody - Pop Boogie Recreation Complex

Mr. Charles Moody, a citizen of Twin City spoke about his desire to see the Pop Boogie Recreation Complex being utilized. The fields at Cox Recreation Complex is too small to host tournaments, therefore the Pop Boogie Recreation Complex needs to be repaired and maintained.

New Business

A motion to declare by resolution, to oppose House Bill 302, was made by Mayor pro tem Donaldson. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown; motion approved.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Eileen M. Dudley

Mayor Dudley has been communicating with Representative Butch Parrish to see if the city may obtain some DNR signs.

The Mayor had the opportunity to observe the Volunteer Fire Department's training.

Mayor Dudley would like to have Jessie Stone present at the Memorial Day Celebration.

Main Street Report - Main Street Program Director Huddie Culbreth

Ms. Culbreth discussed events that are taking place in the upcoming months. The Georgia Cities Week will be celebrated the week of April 21-27, 2019, there are many activities that have been planned to include but not limited to ECI kids coloring contests, TCE If I Were Mayor Essay Contest.

Streets & Roads Department Report - Commissioner Jesse S. Brown

Commissioner Brown asked Mayor pro tem Donaldson if the survey has been completed in front of Twin City Drug Store. At this time the survey has not been completed.

Water & Sewer Department Report – Commissioner Jesse S. Brown Everything is good.

Finance Report - Mayor Pro Tem Matt W. Donaldson

Mayor pro tem Donaldson read aloud the fund balances, the grand total being \$484, 797.53.

Recreation Department Report - Mayor Pro Tem Matt W. Donaldson

There are approximately 150 kids registered for baseball and softball. The city is still working with Emanuel County to spend the \$25,000 that has been alloted. There are 2 new score boards, 1 was purchased by Coca-Cola and the other was purchased using the allotment from the county.

Fire Department Report - Commissioner Jule Bady, Jr.

Commissioner Bady reported that Foster Grimes, Fire Chief has received a washer and dryer that will be connected. He also stated that the department had a total of 7 calls for the city and county.

Police Department Report - Commissioner Artie L. Fields

Commissioner Fields would like to thank Police Chief Beach for everything he has done so far. Chief Beach has been washing cars, shoveling dirt from the roadway. The police have written 57 citations. Officers are communicating and working together.

Executive Session – Personnel

A motion was made by Mayor pro tem Donaldson to enter executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown; motion approved.

A motion was made by Mayor pro tem Donaldson to exit executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown; motion approved.

Adjournment

A motion was by Mayor pro tem Donaldson to enter executive session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Brown; motion approved.

Mayor's approval

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PRE-COMMISSION WORKSHOP SESSION

March 5, 2019

6:30 PM

City Hall

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MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Dudley

Mayor Eileen Dudley Present

Mayor Pro Tem Matt Donaldson Present

Commissioner Jule Bady Jr. Present

Commissioner Jesse S. Brown Present

Commissioner Artie Fields Present

Discussion of 2019 CDBG application

John McCluellen of Turnipseed Engineers discussed the cost estimates related to the 2019 CDBG application. He presented maps showing the targeted area. Mr. McCluellen suggests that the city split the project into 2 phases. With the project being divided, the city would be able to stick with the required match of \$75,000.

Presentation from Police Chief Randal Beach

This month has been unique and challenging. The Fire Chief has been helpful this week, Commissioner Brown has been helpful; City Clerk has been helpful. The police have been busy unlocking and jump starting some vehicles. Chief Beach, is thankful for the unlock kits that he was able to purchase for the department. The department is designing new patches, every document has the city logo, the department is going to uniformity and will be ordering new uniforms soon. The software for the dash cameras and body cameras is almost in place. The cameras protects everyone. The Police Chief has a meeting with the software and IT company this Friday, afterwards the cameras should be functioning at 100%. The officers will be compliant and will utilize the cameras. Also, on the uniformity side, we will be compliant with the Law Enforcement Officers Safety and Security Act, the police officers are always required to carry an identification.

Previously, the city's Police Department has not been able to submit evidence to the crime lab, there is now an account in place and we are making some progress. Cases were being dismissed because the city could not submit evidence.

The police chief received a letter in the drop box titled, "Trashy Lot", with a question to the police department; how would you feel if you lived next to a "Trashy Lot" and what will you and your police do about this?

The police chief also received a Thank You letter in the mail. Policing is about public trust. The chief received the hat that Chief Ogelsby was wearing the day he was killed. Chief Beach will place the hat on display in the Police Department.

Discussion of 2019 LMIG Safety Application Plan (SAP) Application

The city of Twin City has been selected to receive a special LMIG grant, LMIG Safety Application Plan. The city will receive \$20,000 and will have to match 10%. The money is earmarked for road striping, street signs, the project must be \$22,000. If the street signs are approved the signs have to be installed on break-away poles. The money has to be spent on city streets. If the street signs are not approved, we will do a mixture of striping

and stop signs. The application is due by April 1, 2019. The T-Splost will be used to fund the 10% match.

Discussion of 2019 GMA Safety and Liability Management Grant

The city is considering purchasing safety equipment for the police department. The grant is due later this year. We can only do the Georgia Municipal Association Workmen's Compensation Self Insurance Fund (WCSIF) column. This money would be used for Public Works, Police Department, motor vehicle, playground etc.

Discussion of 2018, 2019, and 2020 LMIG projects

The 2018 LMIG inleudes Queen Street and Davis Road. The 2019 and 2020 LMIG project includes Bell Street, Oak Street and Oak Street Extension.

Discussion of 2018 LWCF application for the development of the Carilee Coleman Park

The first round of the grant has been approved and the city's application has been forwarded to the next round.

Discussion of 2019 Georgia EPD Scrap Tire Abatement Reimbursement Program application and Time Amnesty Day on April 27, 2019

The city is applying for the Georgia EPD Scrap Tire Abatement Reimbursement the city will be reimbursed for the tire disposal fee and for employees' salaries (those who work on that day). We are looking to hold a Tire Amnesty Day on April 27, 2019. The application is for \$14,000. This is tentative until EPD approves the application for reimbursement. Mayor pro tem Donaldson wants to restrict the tire collections restricted to citizens or taxpayers. Businesses, who are tire dealers will not be able to dispose of tires.

Discussion of resolution to oppose House Bill 302

Resolution sponsored by Georgia Municipal Association (GMA), this house bill says that either Atlanta tells us what we can do, rather that the local entities have the authority to regulate their cities and counties.

Discussion of delinquent property tax collection by Appalachian Mountain Services

AMS has been collecting our delinquent property taxes for the past 2 years, as of Monday, 45% of the digest has not been paid.

Discussion of speed bumps on Old Statesboro Road

A citizen has approached the mayor with concerns that there is speeding on Old Statesboro Road. The city will follow-up with Department of Transportation to see if speed bumps are permitted.

Discussion of new City limits signs

Mayor pro tem Donaldson is interested in replacing the wooden signs with new signs.

Discussion of water meter reading services by J&T Environmental

Mayor pro tem Donaldson discussed that years ago the city contracted with J & T Environmental to read meters. The decision now is to return the responsibility back to the city's Public Works Department. Commissioner Brown stated that this may slow down the limb collection during the week of meter readings.

Mayor's approval

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