

CITY OF TWIN CITY GEORGIA
THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

May 3, 2022

7:30 P.M.

112 South Railroad Avenue

Twin City, Georgia 30471

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Donaldson 7:30 P.M.

Mayor Matt Donaldson Present

Mayor Pro Tem Jule Bady Jr. Present

Commissioner Jesse S. Brown Present

Commissioner Kenton Landon Present

Commissioner Charles Moody Present

INVOCATION: Chief Hank Whitters

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: In unison

Commissioner Brown made the motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moody. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion to approve the minutes from the April 5, 2022 Regular Meeting and Workshop Session of the Mayor and City Commissioners was made by Commissioner Brown. Commissioner Moody seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Guests: **Gary Grubbs** – Not Present

New Business

A motion to approve \$45,161.68 to Sirens for Cities for a replacement emergency alert system as a SPLOST expenditure was made by Commissioner Brown. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moody. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion to approve the contract with J & T Environmental Services, Inc for Water & Sewer System management services was made by Commissioner Brown. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landon. The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion to accept the Fireworks Grant award and approve the purchase of Fire Department safety equipment in the amount of \$24,516.00 from American Safety & Fire house was made by Commissioner Brown. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landon. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion to approve \$169,500.00 to Solid Waste Applied Technologies (SWAT) for the purchase of a replacement Public Works limb truck was made by Commissioner Brown. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bady Jr. The motion was approved unanimously.

Items VI (e) and VI (f) were tabled.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Matt W. Donaldson

Mayor Donaldson received a very nice note from City of Swainsboro for our neighborly help during the tornado clean up. Twin City Public Works went to Swainsboro for 4 days to help clean debris up.

Main Street Report – Mayor Donaldson

The planning for the 2022 Cotton Blossom Festival has started.

Public Works Department Report

Commissioner Brown stated Public Works have been very busy this month. The Commission has provided a summary of monthly activities for the department.

Finance Report

Mayor Donaldson read aloud the fund balances, with the fund balance being \$949,431.98 as of end of April 2022. We will also be sending out delinquent letters for property taxes. At the end of April, there were 161 delinquent parcels.

Recreation Department Report

Commissioner Landon stated the season is running well. Commissioner Landon, Huddie Culbreth, and Mayor Donaldson are working with a company to receive donated playground equipment for Pop Boogie Field. The equipment is valued at \$43,000. The playground is set to be installed on May 30, 2022. The closing ceremony of the 2022 season will be held May 14, 2022.

Fire Department Report

Commissioner Moody reviewed the monthly activity report with the Commission.

Executive Session – Personnel

The motion to enter Executive Session was made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Moody. The motion was approved unanimously.

The motion to exit Executive Session was made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bady Jr. The motion was approved unanimously.

Commissioner Brown made the motion to approve employment contracts for Alana Oliver and Tiffany Dixon to attend the Police Academy. The applicant must comply with all City of Twin City hiring policies. Mayor Pro Tem Bady Jr seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Commissioner Brown made motion to hire Refugio Gudino as a part time officer. The applicant must comply with all City of Twin City hiring policies. Commissioner Landon seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Adjournment

Commissioner Brown made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Moody seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned.



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WORKSHOP SESSION

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6:30 P.M.

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CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Donaldson 6:30 P.M.

Presentation from Sirens for Cities

Ed Wise with Sirens for Cities proposed to the City Commission to replace the current emergency alert system. The current system is more than 30 years old and needs replacing. Wise made (2) proposals to the City Commission, which was a battery-backed system and one without a battery backup. The Commission decided to proceed with the system with a battery backup in the amount of \$45,161.68. The new system will consist of (2) different sirens to cover all citizens.

Presentation from Police Chief Hank Whitters

Chief Whitters reviewed the monthly activity report with the Commission. Chief Whitters informed the City Commission that he has two cadets for Police Academy in July.

Discussion of bids for Water/Sewer System contractual services

There were two bids. Tindall Enterprises and J & T Environmental. The City will renew the contract with the lowest bidder - J & T Environmental.

Discussion of TCFD Fireworks Grant award and equipment purchase

Fire Chief Grimes and the Twin City Fire Department has been awarded a Fireworks Grant in the amount of \$21,459.00 for the replacement of public safety equipment. Chief Grimes presented (2) quotes from American Safety & Firehouse and Municipal Emergency Services. The lowest bid was American Safety & Firehouse in the amount of \$24,516.00. The City will fund the difference in the expense as part of the match.

Discussion of quotes for Public Works limb truck with grapple arm purchase

Mayor Donaldson presented (3) different quotes for the replacement of the limb truck with grapple arm. The quotes were for \$193,700.00, \$169,500.00, and \$188,500.00. The Commission decided to proceed with the lowest quote in the amount of \$169,500.00 to Solid Waste Applied Technologies (SWAT).

Discussion of GEFA Water Meter Replacement Project bids and recommendation from City Engineer McClellan

The bid opening on April 19, 2022 only produced one quote from Brooks Brothers Construction, LLC, which exceeded the proposed budget. The City Commission decided to not accept the only bid and proceed with another bid package. Mayor Donaldson will notify City Engineer McClellan.

Discussion of engineering costs on Water Isolation System construction from City Engineer McClellan

Mayor Donaldson presented the cost estimates for the installation of an isolation system for the city water system. The City Commission would like to reduce estimated costs by reducing the number of valves installed. Mayor Donaldson will notify City Engineer McClellan to work on another proposal.

Discussion of Assessment of City Roads from City Engineer McClellan

City Engineer McClellan has inspected and rated all city roads and streets and rated the needs of each as: good, fair, or poor. The City Commission will use this tool to prepare of the resurfacing project planned for 2023.

Discussion of bathroom quotes for Graymont Community Park

This item was tabled until the June 2022 meeting.

Matt Donaldson, Mayor

Approval by the Mayor
Mayor Matt W. Donaldson

Submitted By: City Clerk Eugenia A. Ducker

