

CITY OF TWIN CITY GEORGIA

THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

September 7, 2021

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 Whithers

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: In unison

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

A motion to approve the minutes from the August 3, 2021, 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-Palm Street concerns** -- absent

New Business

A motion to approve up to \$19,700.00 to Daniels Chevrolet for Police Department vehicle purchase(s). This is a SPLOST expenditure/ The motion was made by Commissioner Moody. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bady Jr. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion to approve Resolution 04-2021 for the City of Twin City Comprehensive Plan Update for Broadband Designation was made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Moody. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion to approve the SPLOST Budget Amendments was made by Commissioner Brown. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moody. The motion was approved unanimously.

Mayor's Report – Mayor Matt W. Donaldson

Mayor Donaldson stated that on September 27th work will begin on the Centennial Mural at the old City Hall & Jail.

Main Street Report – Main Street Program Director Huddie Culbreth

Culbreth announced the new City festival name and winner of \$250. The first annual festival for Twin City will be called Cotton Blossom Festival. This festival will take place the first Saturday of each November.

Public Works Department Report

Commissioner Brown stated that the project on Lee Street is completed, with some patch work needed to complete. Public Works has been busy working on King St lift station replacing motors. Commissioner Brown stated a need to remove a few trees from various location, as they obstruct sewer manholes.

Finance Report

Mayor Donaldson read aloud the fund balances, with the fund balance being \$984,542.99 as of end of August 2021.

Recreation Department Report

Commissioner Landon stated they are waiting on the pavilions to be built for Pop Boogie Park and Graymont Community Park. He hopes to have them up by time the festival is held.

Fire Department Report

The report was not available for the meeting.

Executive Session – Personnel

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

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

There was no action taken by the Commission.

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

September 7, 2021

6:30 P.M.

112 South Railroad Avenue

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MINUTES

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

Presentation from Police Chief Hank Whitters

Chief Whitters gave the City Commission the monthly report to review.

Discussion of Police Department Vehicle Inventory and potential purchase from Daniels Chevrolet

The Commission reviewed the Police Department Vehicle Inventory report prepared by Chief Whitters. There are several police vehicles that need replacing. There was a brief discussion from the Commission on the number of vehicles needed and whether to buy them used or new. Chief Whitters was instructed to come to the October 2021 meeting with a suggestion for a new purchase. At present, Daniels Chevrolet has (2) Police Ford Explorers for sale. The Commission decided to approve up \$19,700.00 and allow Police Commissioner/Mayor Pro Tem Bady and Chief Whitters to make the final decision. The Commission would be informed of the final purchase.

Presentation from Fire Chief Foster Grimes on ISO evaluation

Fire Chief Grimes was absent.

Discussion of resolution to approve City of Twin City Comprehensive Plan Revision for Broadband Ready Designation

The City has petitioned to revise the City's comprehensive plan, "Progress and Culture Amongst the Pines", to add the Broadband Ready Element to be Broadband Ready. The Emanuel County Board of

Commissioners has also adopted the same revision. This element of the comprehensive plan is an economic development tool to attract new industry to Emanuel County. Mayor Donaldson emphasized how fortunate we are to have Pineland Telephone in our area to provide high-speed internet to the citizens of Twin City.

Discussion of energy audit findings by Utility Management Services.

Mayor Donaldson reviewed the results of the energy audit. Through requesting rate changes and terminating other accounts, the City is expected to save approximately \$10,000 annually. The Commission agreed for Mayor Donaldson to move forward with the changes.

Discussion of potential rate adjustments by AllGreen Services

AllGreen has requested a change in rates, due to inflationary increases. The Commission was provided with a summary of the rise in AllGreen costs and a summary of rates of other municipalities. Mayor Donaldson has requested a representative of AllGreen to be present at the October meeting, where this item will be an action item.

Discussion of SPLOST Budget amendments

Mayor Donaldson reviewed SPLOST 6 collection history and estimated future collections. Over the span of SPLOST 6, Mayor Donaldson estimates the City will collect an additional \$150,000 over the original amount projected. Based on those estimates, Mayor Donaldson recommended the Commission revise the SPLOST 6 budget to include the additional revenue projected. The proposed amendments include increases to the following categories: road improvements, PD vehicles & equipment, recreation improvements & equipment, and public works equipment. A summary of the amendments is below.

Discussion of City Centennial programming

Huddie Culbreth announced The City of Twin City will be having its first Cotton Blossom Festival on November 6, 2021. The Cotton Blossom Festival will be the first Saturday of November each year. The festival naming contest winner is Helen Logue of Twin City.



Approval by the Mayor
Mayor Matt W. Donaldson

Submitted By: City Clerk Eugenia A. Ducker



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