

MINUTES OF MAYOR  
& COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF LAFAYETTE, GEORGIA  
MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2010  
@ 7:30 PM

Present: Mayor Florence, Councilmen Arnold, Craig, Hodge, Swanson and Tallent, City Attorney Womack, City Manager Arnold, City Clerk Snyder and news media.

Absent: none.

Mayor Florence called the meeting to order.

Councilman Arnold gave the invocation.

Mayor Florence led the pledge to the American flag.

Councilman Arnold made motion to approve the minutes of the February 1, 2010 special called meeting and the February 8, 2010 regular meeting as published and distributed. Councilman Swanson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**VISITORS & GUESTS**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

**SOFTBALL COMPLEX QUOTES**

Councilman Hodge introduced High School Coach Woodard and Middle School Coach Rhudy who spoke on the benefits and the need for the softball complex. Bill Morton with Morton Construction was also present to answer questions from the Council.

Councilman Hodge made motion to accept low bid of \$23,250.00 from Masonry Specialist Corp. for masonry for concession stand.

Low bid from Thompson Brothers Landscaping @ \$29,848.00 for irrigation.

Bid from Kenrayco Fence @ \$59,788.00 for fencing.

Bid from Sims Sod Farms @ \$18,300.78 for Bermuda.

Councilman Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**REQUEST TO REPLACE POLICE POSITION-KENNY CARREATHERS**

Councilman Swanson made motion to allow Chief Freeman to fill position of police officer once Kenny Carreathers retires at the end of March. Councilman Craig seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

Councilman Tallent made motion to provide insurance for Kenny for the remainder of the year. Councilman Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0. Chief Freeman announced there would be a reception in honor of Kenny on April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00 at the Clubhouse.

#### **GARBAGE TRUCK REPAIR QUOTE**

Councilman Tallent made motion to purchase a new arm unit for the automated sanitation truck from Cherokee Truck Equipment at a cost of \$21,673.00. Councilman Hodge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **CREDIT CARD SERVICE CONVENIENCE FEE CHARGE**

Councilman Swanson made motion to charge a 2% convenience fee to anyone using a credit card to pay utility bills or taxes. Councilman Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **POLICY FOR COMPUTER & INTERNET USE**

Councilman Hodge made motion to implement an "Acceptable Use Policy" regarding computer internet use. (see attached) Councilman Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **SPRING SPORTS PARADE**

Councilman Tallent made motion to approve the Spring Sports Parade route pending DOT approval. The Parade will be Tuesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>. Councilman Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **GOLF COURSE TRACTOR BIDS**

Councilman Swanson made motion to purchase two Massey Ferguson model 2635 tractors from Loughridge Equipment at a cost of \$27,432.78 to replace two at the golf course. Councilman Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **BENJAMIN BARTON'S LETTER OF REQUEST**

City Attorney to furnish to City Manager procedures Mr. Barton will need to follow to be de-annexed.

#### **ENTERPRISE ZONE RESOLUTION**

Councilman Tallent made motion to approve Enterprise Zone Resolution. Councilman Hodge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Reports:

Councilman Hodge stated the girls' softball tournament would be April 15-18.

Councilman Tallent discussed the possibility of lowering the speed limit on N Main St. from CVS to State Patrol Office.

Councilman Tallent made motion to lift the hiring freeze. Councilman Swanson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilman Tallent made motion to enter into contract with East Coast Pyrotechnics, Inc. at a cost of \$5,000.00 for the City's fireworks display. Councilman Swanson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilman Tallent made motion to appoint Dr. Paul Shaw to the airport committee with his term to expire in December 2013. Councilman Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilman Swanson made motion to approve a request from First Baptist Church to close off 2 streets –Wardlaw and Dickerson for an antique car show on April 10<sup>th</sup> from 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Councilman Tallent seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Manager Arnold told the Council that Brett Bomar had approached him about trading a recycle drop off bin for taxes owed.

Councilman Swanson made motion to trade for the recycle bin. Councilman Craig seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney Womack discussed the changes the council would like in the Sign Ordinance.

Mayor Florence announced that there would be a cemetery clean up on March 15<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Florence asked for a motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel and real estate. Councilman Swanson made motion to enter into executive session. Councilman Craig seconded the motion.

No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

There being no further business, Mayor Florence declared the meeting adjourned at 10:15 pm.

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_, day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2010.

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Mayor

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City Clerk