

MINUTES OF  
MAYOR & COUNCIL  
CITY OF LAFAYETTE, GEORGIA  
MONDAY, AUGUST 9, 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 Swanson made motion to approve the minutes of the July 12, 2010 regular meeting as published and distributed. Councilman Tallent seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

#### **VISITORS & GUESTS**

##### **SHANNON MCCONNELL –FALL FESTIVAL**

Shannon presented several ideals he and a friend have to revitalize the old high school football field. He would like to see a weeklong period of Homecoming activities ending with fireworks. He also mentioned several other Festivals, games and contest. He asked for the city's financial support to replace the facilities and bleachers. Mayor Florence stated the city was not financially able to do so at the present time but thought it was a good idea and would help support it when able.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

##### **MR BENJAMIN BARTON DEANNEXATION REQUEST**

Councilman Tallent made motion to de-annex property at 457 W. Warren Rd. owned by Benjamin Barton. Councilman Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-2. Councilman Craig and Swanson opposed.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

##### **WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT AERATION PROJECT BID RECOMMENDATION**

Councilman Arnold made motion to accept the Engineer's recommendation for conditional award to the low bidder, Heavy Constructors, Inc., for construction of the Post Aeration Facility for \$754,684.00. The condition being that the award is subject to the GEFA Board of Directors' affirmative vote on August 31, 2010 to approve a \$500,000.00 GEFA/SRF loan for the project. Also, to authorize Mayor Florence to execute the construction contract. The GEFA/SRF loan will

have a 20-year term at 3% interest and a 2% closing fee. The monthly repayment will be approximately \$2,773.00 per month. Councilman Hodge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DRINKING WATER TESTING AND RELATED SERVICES CONTRACT**

Councilman Hodge made motion to enter into Drinking Water Testing and Related Services Contract (July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2013) with Georgia Department of Natural Resources EPD Division. Councilman Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**WATER AND SEWER TRUCK BIDS**

Councilman Hodge made motion to award low bidder Jackson Chevrolet \$22,474.00 for two 2011 One Ton Heavy Duty Chassis Cab Trucks to replace existing vehicles in the Water and Sewer Department. Councilman Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE**

Councilman Tallent made motion to adopt Storm Water Management Ordinance for new development and redevelopment within the City of LaFayette. Councilman Swanson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**NORTHWEST GEORGIA REGIONAL COMMISSION ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES**

Councilman Craig made motion to renew membership & participation dues in the Northwest Georgia Regional Commission at an annual fee of \$7,529.00. Councilman Swanson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**RECREATION DEPARTMENT FALL BID RECOMMENDATION FOR UNIFORMS & EQUIPMENT**

Councilman Arnold made motion to accept low bids on uniforms and equipment except for SB, VB and Cheer shirts and award these to Precision Embroidery. Councilman Swanson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**RECREATION DEPARTMENT FALL PICTURE BID RECOMMENDATION**

Councilman Tallent made motion to accept low bid from LifeTouch for fall pictures at the Recreation Department. Councilman Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**MAIN STREET LESS DEVELOPED CENSUS TRACT AREA**

Councilman Tallent made motion to authorize the mayor to submit a letter to DCA Commissioner Mike Beatty requesting the "less developed census tract area" designation for census tract 207. Councilman Arnold seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**GEORGIA MAIN STREET PROGRAM MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

Councilman Tallent made motion to enter into and authorize Mayor Florence to execute Georgia Main Street Program Memorandum of Understanding agreement between the Georgia Department of Community Affairs' Office of Downtown Development and the City of LaFayette. Councilman Swanson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**SCARE ON THE SQUARE DATE**

Councilman Tallent made motion to hold Scare on the Square on Friday, October 29, 2010.  
Councilman Arnold made seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**REPORTS**

**Councilman Swanson** asked Rod Robertson about the houses on First Street and S. Circle Drive. Rod stated he has sent a registered letter to the owner of First St. and is staying on top of getting S. Circle Dr. cleaned up.

**Councilman Craig** asked Department Heads to be careful when using volunteer workers because of the liability.

**City Manager Arnold** stated that the DTF would like the city to deed a truck that was purchased by the DTF but is titled to the City to the DA's Office.  
Councilman Arnold made motion to deed truck to the DA's office. Councilman Swanson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

**Mayor Florence** presented a Resolution for expense and travel reimbursement regulations to the Council for their approval. Councilman Arnold made motion to adopt Resolution (see attached). Councilman Swanson seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

There being no further reports, Mayor Florence asked for a motion to enter into executive session at 8:30 pm for the purpose of discussing real estate.  
Councilman Arnold made motion to enter into executive session. Councilman Tallent seconded the motion.

At 8:45 Council adjourned from executive session. Mayor Florence called the meeting back to order. No action was taken as a result of the executive session.

There being no further business, Mayor Florence declared the meeting adjourned.

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

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Mayor

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City Clerk