

MINUTES
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 2021
5:00 PM

The Commission of the City of Waycross held their Regular City Commission Meeting on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Mayor Michael-Angelo James. Members in attendance were: Mayor Michael-Angelo James, Mayor Pro Tem Henry Strickland, Commissioners Norman Davis, John Threat, and Marian Solomon-Gaines. Commissioner Diane Hopkins was absent.

Commissioner Norman Davis asked Pastor Tawanna Harris to offer the opening invocation. The Invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor James.

Human Resources Director Ed Lastinger introduced Lieutenant Allan Humbers, Fire Department, as the Employee of the Month.

During the City Manager's & Mayor's Report, Acting City Manager Marc Hawkins had no report; Mayor James discussed the Junior Police Academy created for ages 11 to 13. The program is scheduled for June 7th through June 11th from 8p.m. to 5p.m.

There were no public remarks on official action.

Mayor James presented the Consent Calendar as read by City Clerk Michelle Love for consideration of official action as follows:

Approval of Minutes: Waycross City Commission Planning & Information Session Monday, February 1, 2021, 5:00 p.m.; Public Hearings, Tuesday, February 2, 2021, 4:15 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.; Waycross City Commission Meeting and Executive Session, February 2, 2021, 5:00 pm.

There were no consent Resolutions or second Ordinance readings.

No Privilege Licenses were presented to the Commission for renewal.

The Consent Calendar was approved by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines, and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Norman Davis. All voted in favor, and the motion carried.

City Attorney Rick Currie gave an explanation of E.L. Saunders Culvert Repairs authorize by ordinance for emergency procedures. A consensus was given by the Commission during the Waycross City Commission Planning & Information Session.

China Agu, Finance Director, presented Bid Surplus Property WAYX 21-06. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve Bid Surplus Property WAYX 21-06; Commissioner Norman Davis second the motion. The motion was approved with no discussion.

No Ordinance were presented for approval.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Purchase Parts to Repair the Primary Clarifiers at the Waste Treatment Plant was presented to the Commission.

RESOLUTION NO. R 21-13

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA,
TO PURCHASE PARTS TO REPAIR THE PRIMARY CLARIFIERS AT THE WASTE
TREATMENT PLANT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the Waycross Waste Water Treatment plant is in dire need of repairing the primary clarifiers; and

WHEREAS, Brentwood Polychem is a Sole Source Provider (i.e., no other industry sells the parts needed) for the parts needed to repair the primary clarifiers; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been properly considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that a contract be awarded to The TDH Company, LLC of Marietta, Georgia, being the Brentwood Polychem manufacturer's representative in Georgia, for the purchase of the parts needed to repair the primary clarifiers (as reflected on Brentwood/Polychem Quotation # 48726, dated January 29, 2021), for a total not to exceed \$8,481.52 and to be paid for from Water & Sewer funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Manager, City Clerk and City Engineer be empowered, authorized and directed to execute the Contract on behalf of the City of Waycross, and to do all the acts and things necessary in order to carry out the purposes and intent of this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED, this 16th day of February, 2021.

CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA
BY: MICHAEL-ANGELO JAMES, Mayor

ATTEST:
MICHELLE LOVE, City Clerk

Commissioner Norman Davis made the motion to approve a Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Purchase Parts to Repair the Primary Clarifiers at the Waste Treatment Plant. Commissioner Marion Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion. All voted in approval, and the motion passed.

Reverend Ferrell Malone, 709 Jones Street, Waycross, GA, discussed the Confederate Statues being removed from all of the City's properties funded by the tax payers.

Larry Locky, NAACP President, 818 Sargeant Street, Waycross, Georgia, also made a request for the Confederate Monuments to be removed from the Phoenix Park. Mr. Locky expressed the Commission kept removing the issue from the Agenda. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines expressed the topic tabled only due to the number of Commissioners voting and City Attorney Rick Currie doing research. Commissioner Solomon-Gaines requested the item be placed back on the Agenda for voting.

Commissioner Norman Davis left during last call.

After last call, Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Henry Strickland seconded the motion. All voted in favor and Mayor James adjourned the meeting.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY:

+ Michael Angelo James
MICHAEL-ANGELO JAMES, Mayor

ATTEST:

Michelle Love
MICHELLE LOVE, City Clerk

