

MINUTES
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2012
7:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Commission of the City of Waycross was held in the Commission Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, January 3, 2012. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Clarence E. Billups at 7:00 p.m. with Commissioners Diane Hopkins, William Simmons, Norman Davis, Marian Solomon-Gaines and Commissioner-elect Alvin Nelson present for the meeting.

City Attorney Huey Spearman introduced Rahshe Solomon, Ministerial Student and Greater Mt. Zion AME Church member, who offered the invocation which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Under Executive Duties, Mayor Billups turned the meeting over to City Attorney Huey Spearman for the swearing in of Mayor Clarence E. Billups, Commissioner Diane Hopkins and Commissioner Alvin D. Nelson.

Mayor Billups asked for a motion for the election of the Mayor Pro Tem. Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion that Marian Solomon-Gaines serve as Mayor Pro Tem for 2012. Commissioner Norman Davis seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted affirmatively and Marian Solomon-Gaines was elected Mayor Pro Tem unanimously.

The following appointments to various boards were made as follows:

Election of City Officers (Presented by Mayor and Confirmed by Commission):

City Attorney	Huey Spearman
Ex-Officio City Marshal:	Steve Barnard, Ware County Tax Commissioner
Official Organ:	Waycross Journal-Herald
City Depository:	SunTrust Bank
City Physician:	Satilla Convenient Care
City Auditor:	Beal, Yonz, Rivers and Taylor
Municipal Court Judge	Judge Doug Gibson
Municipal Court Judge Pro-Tempore	Ken Taft
Insurance Agents:	J Smith Lanier, Insurance Broker Michael White, Public Risk Underwriter Corvel, Workers' Comp Lincoln Financial, Group Life St. Paul Travelers, Liability Group Resources, TPA, Health
City Election Superintendent:	Board of Elections and Registration

Appointments to Executive Positions (One-Year Appointments) Recommended by Mayor and Confirmed by Commission:

United States Department of Justice, Weed
N'Seed/Waycross Operation, Co-Chairman
2011/Simmons William Simmons

Downtown Waycross Development Authority:
2011/Yarbrough Norman Davis

Law Enforcement Training Center Advisory Cmte:
2011/Solomon-Gaines Alvin Nelson

Library Board:
2011/Solomon-Gaines Marian Solomon-Gaines

Okefenokee Area Development Authority
2011/Simmons William Simmons

Southern Georgia Regional Commission:
2011/Billups Clarence Billups

Tourism Committee:
2011/Hopkins Diane Hopkins

Transportation Planning Coordinating Committee:
2011/Billups Clarence Billups

Ware County Health Board:
2011/Davis Norman Davis

Waycross-Ware Co Development Authority:
2011/Billups Clarence Billups

Waycross-Ware Co Chamber of Commerce
2011/Billups Clarence Billups

(*Mayor and/or City Manager are Automatic Appointees to the Southern Georgia Regional Commission, Waycross-Ware Development Authority, Transportation Planning Coordinating Committee and Chamber of Commerce .)

Pension Committee for Retirement Fund* (Recommended by Mayor and Confirmed by City Commission)(Mayor, City Manager, City Attorney, and City Clerk Automatic Appointees):

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| a. Clarence E. Billups, Mayor
(reappoint) | Clarence E. Billups, Mayor |
| b. Deron W. King, City Manager
(reappoint) | Deron W. King, City Manager |
| c. Huey Spearman, City Attorney
(reappoint) | Huey Spearman, City Attorney |
| d. Julie Dinkins, City Clerk
(reappoint) | Julie Dinkins, City Clerk |
| e. 2011/Larry Gattis, Finance Director | Larry Gattis, Finance Director |
| f. 2011/Diane L. Hopkins, Commissioner | Diane L. Hopkins, Commissioner |
| g. 2011/Wilton Deloach, Public Works Director | Wilton Deloach, Public Works
Director |
| h. 2011/Raphel Maddox, Human Resources
Director | Raphel Maddox, Human Resources
Director |

Zoning Board of Appeals (Two Three-Year Terms/January 1, 2012-December 31, 2014;
and One-Year Planning Commission Appointee)

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| a. Chuck Tillman (Post 3) | Dr. Yolanda Rivers
Three-Year Terms/January 1, 2012-
December 31, 2014 |
| b. Dan Good (Post 4) | Dan Good (Post 4)
Three-Year Terms/January 1, 2012-
December 31, 2014 |
| c. Planning Commission Appointee (one-year
term) named by the Planning Commission
and affirmed by the Mayor during the
Month of June, 2012. | <hr/> |

Southern Georgia Regional Commission
(one-year term appointed during the Month of June, 2012)

- a. Private Sector Appointee (2011 Richard
Henderson)
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Revolving Loan Fund (RLF est. August 2006 :) Criteria: Banker, CPA, City Attorney, Commercial Real Estate, Local Business (Restatement for the Record. No Action Required at this time.)

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| a. | Dr. Andrew Jackson | Dr. Andrew Jackson |
| b. | Ronald Paulk | Ronald Paulk |
| c. | Steve Fleming | Steve Fleming |
| d. | Daniel Morris | Daniel Morris |
| e. | Rev. Ed Roy Gibbs | Rev. Ed Roy Gibbs |
| f. | Huey Spearman | Huey Spearman |
| g. | Larry Gattis | Larry Gattis |

Ware County Library Board of the Okefenokee Regional Library System Board of Trustees (Two/Four-year appointments beginning January 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2015)

- a. Vita Virgil - Four-year appointments beginning January 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2015
- b. Raphel Maddox - Four-year appointments beginning January 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2015
- c. Marian Solomon-Gaines – Ex-officio Member

Waycross-Ware County Development Authority a) Four-year appointment beginning January 1, 2012 and ending December 31, 2015; b) Four-year unexpired term expiring in 2013.

- a. Michael Mitchell - 4 year term beginning January 1, 2012 ending December 31, 2015
- b. Vacant – Unexpired term expiring December 31, 2013

Housing Authority of the City of Waycross (Appointments are made in March, 2012/ Two unexpired five-year terms, one five-year term, and one residential appointment).

Waycross-Ware County Planning Commission (Appointments are made in June, 2012, Two four-year terms, Posts 5 and Post 7)

Ware County Board of Health (Five-Year Terms) (No Appointments are Required in 2012.)

HR Director, Raphel Maddox introduced Anthony James, the Employee of the Month for January, 2012.

Ms. Marcia Kilmark was introduced as the Employee of the Year for 2011 by Raphel Maddox.

Deron W. King, City Manager, presented the City Manager's Report. Mr. King congratulated Anthony James, January Employee of the Month and Marcia Kilmark, 2011 Employee of the Year. Condolences were extended to Chief Tanner's family for the death of his father, Mr. Cecil Tanner.

As a result of the sewer main failure on Suwannee Drive, Suwannee Drive will be closed until March of 2012 for repairs. This project has been expedited and should begin within two weeks. Mr. King reported that work on the 2011 Street Rehabilitation Project is continuing. The plans include resurfacing Dorothy and Riverside Streets and drainage, curb and gutter and resurfacing on Goodwin, Howe, Bunche, Bethune, and Carter Streets. The paving work on Riverside Dr. is complete, and curb, gutter and overlay are ongoing on Bunche, Bethune and Carver. The project is currently ahead of schedule and should be complete the first of 2012. Citizens are urged to exercise caution when traveling in construction areas.

Mr. King announced "City Talk" a new program on Channel 42 which is designed to keep the public informed of City business. The first show highlighted, Commissioner Diane Hopkins, the second Mayor Billups and the current edition, Wilton Deloach.

Mayor Clarence Billups began the Mayor's Report by congratulating Anthony James and Marcia Kilmark for their accomplishments and sending condolences to Chief Tony Tanner and his family.

Mayor Billups thanked City Engineer Frank Baugh and the Engineering Department for all of the great work going on the City. He said he looks forward to all of the improvements to come in 2012.

Mayor Billups presented the Consent Calendar as read by City Clerk, Julie Dinkins for consideration of official action as follows:

Approval of Minutes: Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, December 20, 2011.

The second reading of the Ordinance Rezoning 1303 Gilmore Street was presented as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 12-01

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA AND THE ZONING MAP; TO REZONE THE PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN LOCATED AT 1303 GILMORE STREET FROM R-50 MH TO C-1 NEIGHBORHOOD COMMERCIAL; TO SET AN EFFECTIVE DATE; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES:

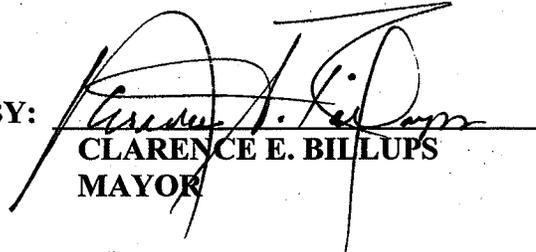
There were no consent resolutions.

Commissioner Norman Davis made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion; all Commissioners voted favorably and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

Following the Mayor's and Commissioners' closing remarks, Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Commissioner Diane Hopkins; all voted in favor and Mayor Billups adjourned the meeting.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY:


CLARENCE E. BILLUPS
MAYOR

ATTEST:


JULIE C. DINKINS, CITY CLERK