

MINUTES

WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 5, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.

The Waycross City Commission held their regular meeting on Tuesday, January 5, 2010, in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. Present with Mayor Clarence Billups were Commissioners Marian Solomon-Gaines, Norman Davis, William Simmons, and Daniel Yarbrough. Commissioner Diane Hopkins was not present.

Mayor Clarence Billups called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Norman Davis introduced Deacon W. Connie Brown, who gave the invocation, which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Attorney Scott Crowley administered the Oath of Office to Commissioner Norman E. Davis, District 1; Commissioner William D. Simmons, District 2; and Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines, District 3.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to elect Commissioner Daniel J. Yarbrough as Mayor Pro Tempore for 2010. Commissioner Norman Davis seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted affirmatively and the motion carried.

The following appointments were confirmed by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines; seconded by Daniel Yarbrough; and unanimously approved.

2010 Appointment Roster

I. Appointments:

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

City Attorney	Scott Crowley
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
Bob Seville, Public Risk Underwriter
Corvel, Workers' Comp
Lincoln Financial, Group Life
St. Paul Travelers, Liability
Group Resources, TPA, Health

City Election Superintendent: Ware County Board of Elections and Registration

- B. Appointment 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 Commissioner William D. Simmons

Downtown Waycross Development Authority: Commissioner Danny Yarbrough

Law Enforcement Training Center Advisory Cmte: Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines

Library Board: Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines

Southern Georgia Regional Commission: Mayor Clarence E. Billups

Tourism Committee: Commissioner Diane Hopkins

Transportation Planning Coordinating Committee: Mayor Clarence E. Billups

Ware County Health Board: Commission Norman E. Davis, Sr.

Waycross-Ware Co Development Authority: Mayor Clarence E. Billups

Waycross-Ware Co Chamber of Commerce Mayor Clarence E. Billups

(Mayor and/or City Manager are Automatic Appointees to the RDC, Development Authority, Waycross-Ware Co Development Authority, Transportation Planning Coordinating Committee and Chamber of Commerce.)

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

1. Clarence E. Billups, Mayor
2. Peter J. Pyrzenski, City Manager
3. Scott Crowley, City Attorney (*Temp*)
4. Julie Dinkins, City Clerk
5. Larry Gattis, Finance Director
6. Diane L. Hopkins, Commissioner
7. Wilton Deloach, Public Works Director
8. Raphael Maddox, Human Resources Director

D. **Zoning Board of Appeals (Three-Year Terms/January 1, 2010-December 31, 2012; and One-Year Planning Commission Appointee)**

1. Shannon Stewart
2. Marian Hopkins
3. Joe Hart, Planning Commission Appointee (one-year term) named by the WWC Planning Commissioner and affirmed by the Mayor.

E. **Southern Georgia Regional Commission** (*Appointee and Term during 2010 at the Discretion of Ware County Commission Chairman. Mayor of Waycross to confirm Chairman Brown's appointments. (No Action Required at this time.)*)

F. **Revolving Loan Fund (RLF est. August 2006 :)** Criteria: Banker, CPA, City Attorney, Commercial Real Estate, Local Business (*No Action Required at this time.*)

- a. Dr. Andrew Jackson
- b. Ronald Paulk
- c. Steve Fleming
- d. Daniel Morris
- e. Rev. Ed Roy Gibbs
- f. Scott Crowley
- g. Larry Gattis

- G. **Ware County Library Board of the Okefenokee Regional Library System Board of Trustees** (Four-Year Unexpired Term of Marilyn Moss (*subsequently served by Latasha Josey*) which began January 1, 2008 and ends December 31, 2011): Raphael Maddox
- H. **Waycross-Ware County Development Authority** (Four-year appointment beginning January 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2013): TBD
- I. **Ware County Board of Health** (Five-Year Term beginning January 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2014): Barbara Miller.
- J. **Waycross Historic Preservation Board** (One-Year appointment beginning January 1, 2010 and ending December 31, 2010): Chris Jordan
- K. **Board of Ethics** (Two-Year Terms beginning January 1, 2009 and ending December 31, 2010): (*No Action Required at this time.*)
1. Minnie Cooper
 2. Linda Sellers
 3. Nettie Williams
 4. Dorothy Character
 5. Eleanora Adams
 6. Larry Etheridge
 7. Dorothy Benefield
 8. Rev. Nathaniel Anderson
 9. Robert Clark
 10. Tony Virgil
 11. Sharon Myrick
 12. Alice Mathews
- L. **Housing Authority of the City of Waycross** (Appointments are made in March, 2010). (*No Action Required at this time.*)
- M. **Waycross-Ware County Planning Commission** (Appointments are made in June, 2010). (*No Action Required at this time.*)

Mayor Clarence Billups scheduled the following Zoning Public Hearings:

1. February 2, 2010, 6:00 p.m.: Amending Zoning Text Sections 304.2, 304.3, 304.4, 305.5, 307.1, 308.2, 309.2, 319.1, 321.4, 701.2, 703.2 704.2, 707.2/Care Homes, etc.
2. February 2, 2010, 6:30 p.m.: Continuation of Zoning Hearing Held in October 6, 2009, regarding Rezoning 908 Blackshear Avenue from R-75 to M-Medical.

Mayor Billups noted that the Waycross City Commission Planning and Information Session has been changed from January 18, 2010 to Tuesday, January 19, 2010 at 4:00 p.m.

Mr. Pete Pyrzenski presented the City Manager's Report. Mr. Pyrzenski informed the public that the "Bring One for the Chipper!" program will be December 25th – January 9th from 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. at all City Fire Stations. Please recycle your Christmas trees. Mrs. Alice Matthews has officially retired from her volunteer position with the Waycross Police Department. The National Census Bus Presentation will be in Waycross on Friday, January 8, 2010 from 1:00pm-5:00pm. The Mobile Census Unit and Presentation will be set up at the Harvey's Supermarket located at 510 Tebeau Street, directly across the street from the Local US Census Office from 1:00 pm until 5:00 pm. Thanks to those who have already volunteer to do their part for the Census effort and thanks to Rev. Fer-Rell Malone for his leadership with the Census. To our citizens, please be safe during the freezing weather. According to Emergency Management shelters will be opened if it becomes necessary and the Red Cross is also available.

Mayor Clarence Billups presented the Mayor's Report, beginning by urging all citizens to complete their Census forms when they receive them in the mail. It is imperative that everyone is counted. He also reminded citizens to bundle up in the cold weather; there are hard freezes ahead.

There were no public remarks on official actions.

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 Planning and Information Executive Session to Discuss Personnel Issues and Possible Litigation, December 14; and Regular Meeting Tuesday, December 15, 2009. No Ordinances second readings, resolutions or privilege licenses renewals.

Commissioner William Simmons made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion; all Commissioners voted in favor and the motion carried unanimously.

A Resolution to Approve a Contract to Replace Euclid Avenue Sewer as presented:

RESOLUTION 10-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA TO APPROVE A CONTRACT TO REPLACE EUCLID AVENUE SEWER

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross desires to replace portions of the sanitary sewer system on Euclid Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross offered the project for bid and received and opened bids tendered for the project; and

WHEREAS, Elmer Thrift Construction Company, Inc. had the lowest and best bid for the project in the amount of \$53,876.00; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Clerk, and City Manager be and are hereby authorized, directed and empowered to execute the documents necessary to award the contract and complete the project.

SO RESOLVED, this 5TH day of January, 2010.

CITY OF WAYCROSS
BY: CLARENCE BILLUPS, MAYOR

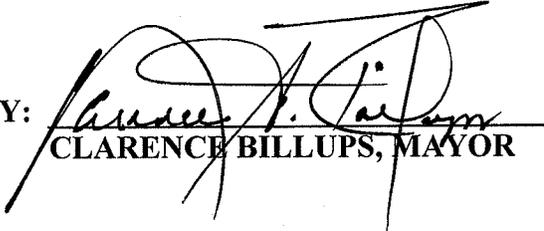
ATTEST:
JULIE C. DINKINS, CITY CLERK

Commissioner William Simmons made the motion to approve the Resolution to Approve a Contract to Replace Euclid Avenue Sewer. Commissioner Norman Davis seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted yes and the motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

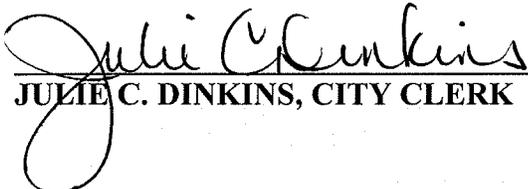
After closing remarks from the Commissioners and Mayor Billups, the meeting was adjourned by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Yarbrough, all voted in favor and Mayor Billups declared the meeting adjourned.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY:


CLARENCE BILLUPS, MAYOR

ATTEST:


JULIE C. DINKINS, CITY CLERK