

MINUTES
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2018
5:00 PM

The Commission of the City of Waycross held their Regular City Commission Meeting on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by the Honorable Mayor John Knox. Members in attendance were: Mayor John Knox, Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall, Commissioners Norman Davis, John Threat, Diane Hopkins and Marian Solomon-Gaines.

Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall introduced Mr. Toby Crews, Director, Okefenokee Area Fellowship of Christian Athletes, who offered the opening invocation. The Invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor John Knox.

Mr. Deloach read the following public announcement: The City of Waycross Department Heads will hold its annual retreat in Atlanta February 21-22, 2018. The Mayor and a number of commissioners will meet with various state officials in Atlanta on February 21-22. The Commission of the City of Waycross will hold its annual retreat in the Commission Chambers of City Hall on February 23 at 4:00 p.m. and on February 24 beginning at 8:00 a.m.

The Honorable Mayor John Knox opened the 2018 State of the City address by stating that "our community is properly positioned for seeing enhanced economic opportunities coming to our city." The address that followed was a positive message for the Commissioners, staff, audience and viewers at home.

Public Works Director Wilton Deloach, standing in for absent City Manager Raphel Maddox, informed the Commission that he is in the process of purchasing a used motor grader from federal surplus.

There were no public remarks on official action.

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

Approval of Minutes: Planning and Information Session and Executive Session Monday, February 5, 2018, and Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, February 6, 2018.

One Privilege License Renewal / Name Change.

Ohshy, Inc. – Rupesh Patel, Hush & Sack Daddy's Seafood, 509 Alice Street, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Consumption on Premises.

There were no Consent Resolutions or Ordinance Second Readings.

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

Two new privilege licenses were submitted for approval:

Mark A. Smart on behalf of Walgreen Co., d/b/a Rite Aid #1974, Beer and Wine, 701 Riverside Avenue, Suite B, Waycross, GA 31501.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the new Privilege License. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall. All voted yes and the license was approved.

Mark A. Smart on behalf of Walgreen Co., d/b/a Rite Aid #11849, Beer and Wine, 1803 Knight Avenue, Waycross, GA 31501.

The Privilege License for Rite Aid #11849 was approved by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall; and a 5-0 vote.

Purchasing Director Linda Jones presented Bid FY18-15 Vehicles. Community Improvement and Motor Pool Fleet each have designated funds to purchase new vehicles. Purchasing has received 5 bids on these vehicles. After review it is the recommendation of the Purchasing Department to award the bid to Allan Vigil Ford, Morrow, GA for \$59,101.00. This includes 2 new F150 Ford trucks at \$20,718 each for the Community Improvement Department and 1 Ford Fusion S at \$17,665.00 for the Motor Pool Fleet. Commissioner Norman Davis made the motion to approve the recommendation of the Purchasing Department to purchase the aforementioned vehicles. Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Waycross to Amend Chapter 2-- Administration and add a new section 2.6 – Records Management Plan was presented for the first reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 018-02

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA; TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 – ADMINISTRATION; ARTICLE I – IN GENERAL, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 2.6 – RECORDS MANAGEMENT PLAN; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve an Ordinance Amending the Code of the City of Waycross to Amend Chapter 2– Administration and adding a new section 2.6 – Records Management Plan as presented for the first reading. Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall seconded the motion and all voted positively, approving the motion.

An Ordinance of the City of Waycross to Designate an Enterprise Zone was submitted for the first reading.

ORDINANCE NO. 018--03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, TO DESIGNATE AN ENTERPRISE ZONE; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

The Ordinance of the City of Waycross to Designate an Enterprise Zone as submitted for the first reading was approved by motion from Commissioner Norman Davis; seconded by Commissioner John Threat; and approved by unanimous vote.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve a Memorandum of understanding Between Ware County Board of Commissioners and the City of Waycross on Hatcher Point Mall Road Project was presented for approval.

RESOLUTION NO. R18-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, TO APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN WARE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AND THE CITY OF WAYCROSS ON HATCHER POINT MALL ROAD PROJECT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Ware County Board of Commissioners now propose to undertake a project to widen and reconstruct CR 392 / Hatcher Point Mall Road from SR 4 / US 1 to SR 520 / US 82 in Ware County by contract through competitive bidding, a proposal and project originally to be undertaken by the Georgia Department of Transportation (hereinafter "GDOT") in 2012; and

WHEREAS, as part of the agreement to assist the City, the Ware County Board of Commissioners has offered the City the option of including required adjustment of City water and sewer facilities in the overall Ware County contract; and

WHEREAS, the City will realize substantial contract cost avoidance by accomplishing utility adjustments for said project under the overall Hatcher Point Mall Road widening contract instead of contracting with others for the adjustments separately; and

WHEREAS, the approval of this Resolution by the City Commission will also invalidate and void the Memorandum of Understanding with the GDOT, approved by the City on August 21, 2012, by Resolution No 12-44, for the project originally proposed by GDOT and now being undertaken by Ware County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been read and considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the City of Waycross hereby accepts and approves the Memorandum of Understanding, in the form attached hereto as an Exhibit and incorporated herein as if fully set forth, with the Ware County Board of Commissioners for the Georgia Department of Transportation Project Number CSSTP-0007-00(664).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the prior Memorandum of Understanding with GDOT for said above-described project is hereby revoked and is null and void.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be, and the same are, hereby authorized, directed and empowered to execute the contract in the form attached hereto as an Exhibit in the name of and on behalf of the City of Waycross, hereby ratifying and confirming all the acts and things done and to be done to give effect to this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED, this 20TH day of February, 2018.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY: JOHN KNOX, Mayor

ATTEST:

JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk

A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve a Memorandum of understanding Between Ware County Board of Commissioners and the City of Waycross on Hatcher Point Mall Road Project was approved as presented by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Diane Hopkins. All voted affirmatively and the motion was approved.

A Resolution to Authorize and Approve a Standard Utility Agreement, Project Number CSSTP-0007-00(664) with the Ware County Board of Commissioners for Hatcher Point Mall Road Project was presented for approval:

RESOLUTION NO. R18-14

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, TO AUTHORIZE AND APPROVE A STANDARD UTILITY AGREEMENT, PROJECT NUMBER CSSTP-0007-00(664), WITH THE WARE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR HATCHER

POINT MALL ROAD PROJECT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Ware County Board of Commissioners now propose to undertake a project to widen and reconstruct CR 392 / Hatcher Point Mall Road from SR 4 / US 1 to SR 520 / US 82 in Ware County by contract through competitive bidding, a proposal and project originally to be undertaken by the Georgia Department of Transportation (hereinafter "GDOT") in 2012; and

WHEREAS, as part of the agreement to assist the City, the Ware County Board of Commissioners has offered the City the option of including required adjustment of City water and sewer facilities in the overall Ware County contract; and

WHEREAS, the City will realize substantial contract cost avoidance by accomplishing utility adjustments for said project under the overall Hatcher Point Mall Road widening contract instead of contracting with others for the adjustments separately; and

WHEREAS, the approval of this Resolution by the City Commission will also invalidate and void the Standard Utility Agreement with the GDOT, approved by the City on March 19, 2013, by Resolution No 13-18, for the project originally proposed by GDOT and now being undertaken by Ware County Board of Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been read and considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the City of Waycross hereby accepts and approves the Standard Utility Agreement in the form attached hereto as an Exhibit and incorporated herein as if fully set forth for the Georgia Department of Transportation Project Number CSSTP-0007-00(664), P.I Number 0007664.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the prior Standard Utility Agreement with GDOT for said above-described project is hereby revoked and is null and void.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be, and the same are, hereby authorized, directed and empowered to execute the contract in the form attached hereto as an Exhibit in the name of and on behalf of the City of Waycross, hereby ratifying and confirming all the acts and things done and to be done to give effect to this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED, this 20th day of February, 2018.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY: JOHN KNOX, Mayor

ATTEST:

JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve A Resolution to Authorize and Approve a Standard Utility Agreement, Project number CSSTP-0007-00(664) with the Ware County Board of Commissioners for Hatcher Point Mall Road Project as presented. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion; all voted in approval and the motion passed.

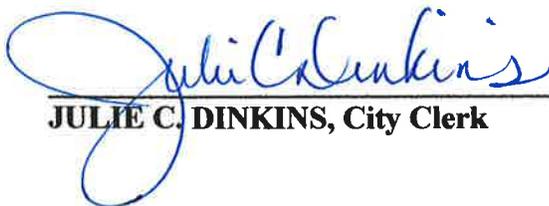
Ms. Susan Singleton, 1719 Burgess St, Waycross, GA addressed the Commission regarding the condition of the roads she is required to travel to reach her residence on Burgess Street in Ware County.

After last call, Mayor John Knox addressed the Commission concerning an article placed in the Waycross Journal Herald. Commissioner Norman Davis made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion. All voted in favor and Mayor Knox adjourned the meeting.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY: 
JOHN KNOX, Mayor

ATTEST:


JULIE C. DINKINS, City Clerk