

MINUTES
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 2014
7:00 P.M.

The Commission of the City of Waycross met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 4, 2014 in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Clarence E. Billups at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance were Mayor Pro Tem Diane Hopkins, Commissioners Alvin Nelson, Marian Solomon-Gaines, Norman Davis and Larry Ethridge.

Commissioner Alvin Nelson introduced Stephen Baker, an 11th Grade Student, at Ware County High School who offered the opening invocation. Mayor Pro Tem introduced Lillie Hilimere, an 8year old Second grade student at Midway Elementary School who led the Pledge of Allegiance.

City Manager Deron King introduced Public Works Director Wilton Deloach who informed the Commission that work had begun on Blackwell Street. The City graded the road and has installed the crush and run. After grading the road and making sure the base is ready, the County will install asphalt.

Mr. King and Mayor Billups offered the City's condolences to the family of retired employee Mitchell Melton who passed away this week.

Mayor Clarence Billups thanked Stephen Baker and Lillie Hilimere who offered the invocation and pledge for tonight's meeting. Mayor Billups stated that it is great to see youth getting involved in the community.

There were no public remarks on official action.

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 & Information Session and Executive Session, Monday, February 17, 2014; Zoning Public Hearing, Waycross City Commission Meeting, and Executive Session, Tuesday, February 18, 2014.

There were no Ordinance Second Readings, Consent Resolutions or Privilege License Renewals.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Norman Davis and approved with a unanimous vote.

Purchasing Director Linda Jones presented FY14-20 5 TFT 5.25" Jumbo Gate Valves for the Fire Department for City fire trucks. Purchasing received three bids and after staff review,

staff recommends awarding the bid to Ten-8 Fire in the amount of \$6,761.25, being the lowest and best bid meeting specifications.

Mayor Pro Tem Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the Purchase of 5.25" Jumbo Gate Valve for the Fire Department for City fire trucks in the amount of \$6,761.25. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion and the motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

A Resolution Awarding the Purchase of Five TFT 5.25" Jumbo Gate Valves from Ten-8 Fire to be installed in City Fire Trucks was presented.

RESOLUTION NO. 14-15

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA
TO AWARD BID TO TEN-8 FIRE FOR PURCHASE OF FIVE TFT 5.25" JUMBO GATE
VALVES TO BE INSTALLED ON CITY FIRE TRUCKS;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross Purchasing Department solicited bids for purchase of Five (5) TFT 5.25 Jumbo Gate Valves to be installed on City Fire Trucks; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross Purchasing Department offered the project through competitive bidding and received and opened bids tendered for the project; and

WHEREAS, Ten-8 Fire of Brooklet, Georgia, submitted the lowest and best bid for the project at a cost of \$6,761.25; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that a contract be awarded to Ten-8 Fire of Brooklet, Georgia, for the purchase of Five (5) TFT 5.25 Jumbo Gate Valves to be installed on City Fire Trucks, to be paid for from FY14 approved line item funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be 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 4th day of March, 2014.

CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA

BY: CLARENCE E. BILLUPS, Mayor

ATTEST:

JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk

The motion to approve the Resolution Awarding the Purchase of Five TFT 5.25" Jumbo Gate Valves from Ten-8 Fire in the amount of \$6,761.25 to be installed in City Fire Trucks was approved by motion from Commissioner Norman Davis. Mayor Pro Tem Diane Hopkins seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted yes and the motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

A Resolution to Award the Contract for Street Widening on George Street at the intersection of Corridor Z was presented:

RESOLUTION NO. 14-16

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA
TO AWARD CONTRACT TO EAST COAST ASPHALT, LLC, FOR STREET WIDENING ON
GEORGE STREET AT THE INTERSECTION OF CORRIDOR Z;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross Purchasing Department solicited bids for street widening on George Street at the intersection of Corridor Z; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross Purchasing Department offered the project through competitive bidding and received and opened bids tendered for the project; and

WHEREAS, East Coast Asphalt, submitted the lowest and best bid for the project at a cost of \$644,711.67; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that a contract be awarded to East Coast Asphalt for street widening on George Street at the intersection of Corridor Z to be paid for from GDOT LMIG funds and SPLOST funds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be 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 4th day of March, 2014.

CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA

BY: CLARENCE E. BILLUPS, Mayor

ATTEST:

JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk

Mayor Pro Tem Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the Resolution to Award the Contract for Street Widening on George Street at the intersection of Corridor Z as presented. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines second the motion; the vote was unanimous and the resolution was approved with a 5-0 vote.

A Resolution to Submit an Application to Obtain FY2014 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds for Water, Sewer, Street and Food and Drainage Improvements was presented:

RESOLUTION NO. 14-14

**RESOLUTION
OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS
TO SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TO OBTAIN
FY 2014 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FUNDS FOR
WATER, SEWER, STREET AND FLOOD & DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross has identified a lack of sufficient funds to address the need for adequate Water, Sewer, Street, and flood & Drainage Improvements area including Roosevelt Street from Seaman to Nicholls St and Walker Street, Owens Street and Izlar Street from Carswell Avenue to Brunswick Avenue; and

WHEREAS, FY2014 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds are sufficient to address these needs; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross has requested that the staff of the Southern Georgia Regional Commission assist in the preparation and administration of the CDBG Application; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross has agreed to provide sufficient matching funds and in-kind services to complete this project;

THEREFORE, be it resolved that the City of Waycross will submit a FY 2014 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs to address the identified needs of the community.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Clerk, City Manager, and Community Improvement Manager be and are hereby authorized, directed, and empowered to execute the documents needed and necessary to submit the application set forth herein.

SO RESOLVED this 3rd day of March, 2014.

CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA

BY: CLARENCE E. BILLUPS, Mayor

ATTEST:

JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk

Mayor Clarence Billups called for a motion Approving the Conflict of Interest Provision for the City of Waycross in confirming Waycross City Commissioner Norman E. Davis is related to residents in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) target area where water, sewer, street, and flood and drainage improvements are to be made and that he, Commissioner Norman E. Davis, will take no part in any future deliberations or decisions by the Waycross City Commission with respect to the project affecting their property or residence. Commissioner Norman Davis read the following statement into the record concerning the conflict of interest and the FY2014 CDBG.

POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST STATEMENT

Mr. Mayor and Members of the Waycross City Commission, I wish to disclose that I have a possible conflict of interest regarding the City's FY2014 CDBG Application for water, sewer, street, and flood and drainage improvements in the Targeted Area consisting of the 600 Block of Izlar Street, Walker Street, and Owens Street, as well as the 1100 Block of Roosevelt Street, due to the fact that several of my relatives live in the Targeted Area. The residence/property of my relatives are among many residential and commercial parcels that would benefit by the project and their property would receive no greater benefit than any of the other parcels. Therefore, I will take no part in any present or any future deliberations or decisions of the Commission of the City of Waycross with respect to the project affecting the residence/property of my relatives within the Target Area.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the motion Approving the Conflict of Interest Provision for the City of Waycross in confirming Waycross City Commissioner Norman E. Davis is related to residents in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) target area where water, sewer, street, and flood and drainage improvements are to be made and that he, Commissioner Norman E. Davis, will take no part in any future deliberations or decisions by the Waycross City Commission with respect to the project affecting their property or residence. Mayor Pro Tem Diane Hopkins seconded the motion. Commissioner Norman Davis abstained from voting on this issue. Commissioners Hopkins, Solomon-Gaines, Ethridge and Nelson voted yes and the motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the Resolution to Submit an Application to Obtain FY2014 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funds for Water,

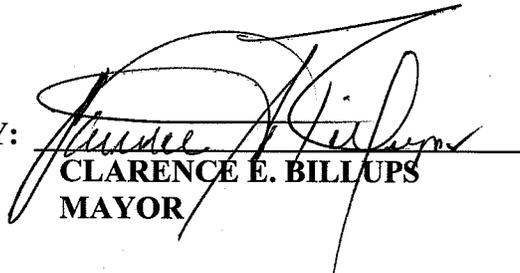
Sewer, Street and Food and Drainage Improvements as presented. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion; all voted positively and the motion carried.

During last call, Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines asked Police Chief Tony Tanner to inform the Commission about Senior Safety Day. Chief Tanner stated that Senior Safety Day is scheduled for Friday, March 14, 2014 at 10:00 at Waycross Middle School.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Alvin Nelson seconded the motion. All voted in favor and Mayor Billups adjourned the meeting.

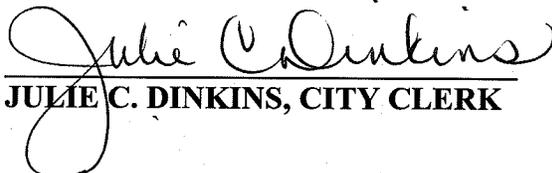
CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY:



CLARENCE E. BILLUPS
MAYOR

ATTEST:



JULIE C. DINKINS, CITY CLERK