

**MINUTES**  
**WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 2, 2015**  
**7:00 P.M.**

The Regular Session of the Commission of the City of Waycross was held on Tuesday, June 2, 2015 in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Clarence E. Billups called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance with Mayor Billups were Mayor Pro Tem Alvin Nelson; Commissioners Diane Hopkins, Marian Solomon-Gaines, and Larry Ethridge. Commissioner Norman Davis was not present.

Mayor Pro Tem Alvin Nelson introduced Minister EuTracy Adamson, Power House of Faith, who offered the opening invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Under Executive duties, Mayor Billups announced that a Public Hearing will be held on June 9, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. in the court room of the Waycross Police Department located at 512 Oak Street. The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider the adoption of the proposed FY 2016 Budget.

HR employee, Allison Herrin introduced Josh Godwin of the Waycross Fire Department as the June Employee of the Month.

City Manager Raphael Maddox congratulated Josh Godwin, City of Waycross Employee of the month for June, 2015. Mr. Maddox thanked all of the City employees who helped with the Job Fair stating that over 50 vendors participated. Dancing with the Stars will be held June 7, 2015, please go out and support this worthy cause.

Mayor Clarence Billups congratulated Josh Godwin and the HR Department for a job well done with the recent Job Fair.

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, City Commission Planning and Information Session, Monday, May 18, 2015; City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, May 19, 2015; and Joint Meeting with Pierce County, Thursday, June 21, 2015.

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

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Larry Ethridge. All Commissioners voted in favor and the motion was approved with a 4 – 0 vote.

Finance Director Danny Lamonte presented Bid Extension FY16 Police and Fire Uniforms. ASR/Command Uniforms has agreed to keep their pricing firm for another year at no increase. Staff recommends extending this bid for FY16.

Commissioner Alvin Nelson made the motion to approve this bid extension as presented; seconded by Commissioner Larry Ethridge; approved with a 4-0 vote.

Finance Director Danny Lamonte presented Bid Extension FY16 Gas Card and Oil/Lube. Southeast Petroleum (formerly T & R Oil) has agreed to keep this pricing firm for FY16. It is the staff's recommendation to extend these two bids for another year.

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve this bid extension as presented; seconded by Commissioner Alvin Nelson. After discussion, Commissioner Alvin Nelson withdrew his second; Commissioner Diane Hopkins withdrew her motion and it was agreed to table this bid until June 16, 2015.

Finance Director Danny Lamonte presented Bid Extension FY16 Printing. Brantley Printing has agreed to hold pricing firm for FY16 again at no price increase. This will be the last year for bid extension and will be rebid next year.

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve this bid extension as presented; seconded by Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines; approved with a 4-0 vote.

A Resolution to Amend the FY 2015 Budget by Approving the Transfer of Funds from One Account to Another Account was presented to the Commission:

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 15-19**

### **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET BY APPROVING THE TRANSFER OF FUNDS FROM ONE ACCOUNT TO ANOTHER ACCOUNT; TO PROVIDE FOR UNEXPECTED REPAIRS FOR CITY BUILDINGS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, O.C.G.A. Section 36-81-3 (d) allows a local government to amend its budget so as to adapt to changing governmental needs during a budget period; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission of the City of Waycross adopted a balanced Budget of \$13,397,773.00 for Fiscal Year 2015 on June 17, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission of the City of Waycross deem it necessary to amend the FY 2015 Budget by transferring \$7,000 from the Executive Division (100-52-1-530-73-1200 Elections Account), and \$2,500 from Non-Operating (100-52-3-920-10-4000 Code Red) in order to allow the Public Buildings Maintenance and Repair (100-52-1-565-71-2200) line item not be over Budget.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the above said adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget be made and a copy of the Proposed Budget be attached hereto and made a part hereof for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015.

**SO RESOLVED** this 2nd day of June, 2015.

**CITY OF WAYCROSS**

**CLARENCE E. BILLUPS, Mayor**

ATTEST:  
**JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk**

A Resolution to Amend the FY 2015 Budget by Approving the Transfer of Funds from One Account to Another Account as presented to the Commission was approved by motion from Commissioner Diane Hopkins; seconded by Commissioner Larry Ethridge. The motion was approved by a 4-0 vote.

A Resolution to Adopt the FY 2015 Budget for 2014 SPLOST Fund and to have a budget for the funds received for FY2015 was presented to the Commission:

**RESOLUTION NO. 15-20**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA,  
TO ADOPT THE FISCAL YEAR 2015 BUDGET FOR 2014 SPLOST FUND; TO HAVE  
A BUDGET FOR THE FUNDS RECEIVED FOR THIS FISCAL YEAR 2015; AND FOR  
OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, O.C.G.A. Section 36-81-3 (d) allows a local government to amend its budget so as to adapt to changing governmental needs during a budget period; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission of the City of Waycross adopted a balanced Budget of \$13,397,773.00 for Fiscal Year 2015 on June 17, 2014; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission of the City of Waycross had not adopted a balanced Budget for the 2014 SPLOST Fund. These funds come from the Ware County Board of Commissioners, and as the 2014 SPLOST agreement between the City and County, the County's Level II project must have been satisfied before the City of Waycross could receive any of these funds. As of November 2014, the County began depositing funds in the City of Waycross 2014 SPLOST bank account.

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission deems it necessary to adopt a Fiscal Year 2015 Budget for the 2014 SPLOST Fund of \$1,180,125.00 for the revenues and \$1,180,125.00 for the expenditures.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the above said adoption to the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget be made and a copy of the Proposed Budget be attached hereto and made a part hereof for the Fiscal Year beginning July 1, 2014, and ending June 30, 2015.

**SO RESOLVED** this 2nd day of June, 2015.

**CITY OF WAYCROSS**

**CLARENCE E. BILLUPS, Mayor**

ATTEST:  
**JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk**

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve a Resolution to Adopt the FY 2015 Budget for 2014 SPLOST Fund. Commissioner Alvin Nelson seconded the motion; the vote was 4-0 and the motion was approved.

Mr. John Summerlin, Otter Creek, addressed the Commission regarding the state of disrepair in the City of Waycross. The City of Waycross needs to be revitalized, just look at the Lyric Theatre and the Bunn Building. What about an audit for Weed and Seed? Why was money wasted on the walking track?

Ms. Dana Larson, Blackshear, Georgia, appeared before the Commission to discuss the de-annexation situation with Pierce County. In brief, Ms. Larson stated that a group of business owners requested Representative Chad Nimmer file the legislation to de-annex the City of Waycross from Pierce County. It was done for development purposes, hoping to be able to attract industry to Pierce County.

After last call, 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: 

ALVIN D. NELSON  
Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

  
JULIE C. DINKINS, City Clerk