

MINUTES
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 16, 2015
7:00 P.M.

The Regular Session of the Commission of the City of Waycross was held on Tuesday, June 16, 2015 in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. Mayor Pro Tem Alvin D. Nelson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Those in attendance with Mayor Pro Tem Alvin Nelson were Commissioners Diane Hopkins, Marian Solomon-Gaines, Norman Davis and Larry Ethridge. Mayor Clarence E. Billups was not present.

Mayor Pro Tem Alvin Nelson introduced Pastor Carlos White, Pastor and Founder of the Kingdom Dominion Ministries and Chaplain to the Waycross Police Department who offered the opening invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Under Executive duties, Mayor Pro Tem Nelson announced that a Public Hearing will be held on July 21, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. in the Commission Chambers of City Hall to consider the Annexation and Re-zoning of 721 Donald Street to C-2 Highway Commercial.

City Manager Raphael Maddox thanked the Finance Department and Department Directors for the cooperation required to present a balanced budget for Fiscal Year 2016.

Mayor Pro Tem Nelson reminded the public that the City will once again open the Stadium for a Fourth of July Celebration. Fireworks, music and food will be on the agenda.

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 and Executive Session, Monday, June 1, 2015; Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, June 2, 2015; Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Public hearing, Tuesday, June 9, 2015; Waycross City Commission Called Meeting and Executive Session, Thursday, June 11, 2015.

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

Commissioner Norman Davis 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 5 – 0 vote.

Purchasing Director Linda Jones presented five bids to the Commission for approval.

Purchasing Director Linda Jones 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 Norman Davis made the motion to approve this bid extension as presented; seconded by Commissioner Larry Ethridge and approved with a 5-0 vote.

Purchasing Director Linda Jones presented Bid #FY15-13 CCTV Pipe Camera. The Engineering Department / Water and Sewer Department has a FY15 approved line item budget in Capital Improvements to purchase a new CCTV Pipe Crawler Camera. Four bids were received and staff recommends awarding the bid to Adams Equipment of Austell, Georgia for \$61,450. An additional yearly cost of \$650.00 will be necessary for annual updates.

The Bid was approved by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines; seconded by Commissioner Diane Hopkins; all voted in favor and the motion carried.

Bid FY15-15 Total Station (surveying equipment) was presented to the Commission. The City of Waycross Engineering Department has an FY15 approved line item budget to purchase a new model Reflectorless Total Station. Purchasing received two bids and recommends awarding the bid to Georgia Surveyors of Savannah, Georgia for \$12,998.00.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the purchase of the Total Station from Georgia Surveyors of Savannah for \$12,998.00. Commissioner Diane Hopkins seconded the motion; all Commissioners voted yes and the motion was approved.

Purchasing Director Linda Jones presented Bid Extension FY16 for Leather Goods for the Waycross Police Department. Staff is requesting an extension on this bid to Azars Uniforms.

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to extend the leather goods bid to Azars. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines. The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

A bid for Radios for the Police Department was submitted by the Purchasing Director. Purchasing received 1 bid for 20 Kenwood Mobile Digital Radios NX299 with accessories from Monroe Communications of Waycross Georgia for \$12,510.60. The City will receive a \$1,200 rebate after the purchase bringing the total price to \$11,310.60.

The bid for radios was approved by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines; seconded by Commissioner Diane Hopkins; all voted in favor and the bid was approved.

A Resolution to Extend Bid Contract for Annual Gas Card Service with T & R Oil d/b/a Southeast Petroleum for FY16 was presented to the Commission:

RESOLUTION NO. 06-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, TO EXTEND BID CONTRACT TO T & R OIL D/B/A SOUTHEAST PETROLEUM FOR FY16 ANNUAL GAS CARD SERVICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross anticipates using approximately 100,000 gallons of unleaded fuel and approximately 50,000 gallons of low sulfur #2 diesel during FY16 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross Purchasing Department offered the project through competitive bidding and received and opened bids tendered for the project for FY15; and

WHEREAS, T & R Oil of Waycross, Georgia, submitted the lowest and best bid for the project, and was awarded the contract on or about July 15, 2014, for FY15; and

WHEREAS, according to Operations Manager Tracy Pittman, T & R Oil is still in existence as a corporation but they are now doing business as Southeast Petroleum but checks from the City of Waycross can still be made payable to T & R Oil; and

WHEREAS, T & R Oil d/b/a Southeast Petroleum has agreed to keep the prices firm for FY16; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the Bid Contract for FY16 Annual Gas Card Service be extended another year to T & R Oil d/b/a as Southeast Petroleum, of Waycross, Georgia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the extension of the Bid 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 16th day of June, 2015.

**CITY OF WAYCROSS
ALVIN D. NELSON, Mayor Pro**

**ATTEST:
JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk**

Commissioner Norman Davis made the motion to approve the Resolution to Extend Bid Contract for Annual Gas Card Service with T & R Oil d/b/a Southeast Petroleum for FY16 as presented to the Commission. Commissioner Larry Ethridge seconded the motion; all voted yes and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

A Resolution to Extend Bid Contract for Annual Oil and Lubricant Service with T & R Oil d/b/a Southeast Petroleum for FY16 was presented to the Commission:

RESOLUTION 15-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, TO AWARD BID CONTRACT TO T & R OIL D/B/A SOUTHEAST PETROLEUM FOR FY16 ANNUAL OIL AND LUBRICANT SERVICE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross Purchasing Department anticipates using approximately \$15,000.00 in the FY16 budget on oil and lubricants for the City's vehicles and equipment; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross Purchasing Department offered the project through competitive bidding and received and opened bids tendered for the project for FY15; and

WHEREAS, T & R Oil of Waycross, Georgia, submitted the lowest and best bid for the project, and was awarded the contract on or about July 15, 2014, for FY15; and

WHEREAS, according to Operations Manager Tracy Pittman, T & R Oil is still in existence as a corporation but they are now doing business as Southeast Petroleum but checks from the City of Waycross can still be made payable to T & R Oil; and

WHEREAS, T & R Oil d/b/a Southeast Petroleum has agreed to keep the prices firm for FY16; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the Bid Contract for FY16 Annual Oil and Lubricant Service be extended another year to T & R Oil d/b/a Southeast Petroleum, of Waycross, Georgia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the extension of the Bid 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 16th day of June, 2015.

**CITY OF WAYCROSS
ALVIN D. NELSON
Mayor Pro Tem**

**ATTEST:
JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk**

The Resolution to Extend Bid Contract for Annual Oil and Lubricant Service with T & R Oil d/b/a Southeast Petroleum for FY16 was approved by motion from Commissioner Norman Davis. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Larry Ethridge. All Commissioners voted positively and the motion was approved.

A Resolution to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget (July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016) for the City of Waycross was submitted for approval:

RESOLUTION NO. 15-22

A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2016 (JULY 1, 2015, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016) BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF WAYCROSS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, on June 9, 2015, the Commission of the City of Waycross held budget hearings and examined the proposed balanced budget for fiscal year 2016; and

WHEREAS, the budgets are being considered by the Commission; and

WHEREAS, said budgets indicate anticipated revenues as follows:

General Fund	\$13,818,816.00
Water & Sewer Fund	\$ 6,141,500.00
Waste Management Fund	\$ 2,282,541.00
City Auditorium Fund	\$ 37,242.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 205,037.00
WPD Information Technology Fund	\$ 30,000.00
Hotel/Motel Tax Fund	\$ 299,353.00
SPLOST 2008-2013 Fund	\$ 3,030,000.00
SPLOST 2014	\$ 1,797,000.00

for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager of the City of Waycross has prepared and submitted to the Commission of the City of Waycross budgets for expenditures as follows:

General Fund	\$13,818,816.00
Water & Sewer Fund	\$ 6,141,500.00
Waste Management Fund	\$ 2,282,541.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 205,037.00
City Auditorium Fund	\$ 37,242.00
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SPLOST 2014	\$ 1,797,000.00

for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016; and

WHEREAS, said budgets are balanced budgets and have been prepared in accordance with accepted budgeting practice; and

WHEREAS, said budgets are line item budgets in compliance with the provisions of Sections 4-1/2 of the Code of the City of Waycross; and

WHEREAS, the Commission of the City of Waycross has studied the proposed budgets and considers it in the best interest of the City to adopt said budgets; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-81-5 and related sections, on June 9, 2015, the Commission of the City of Waycross held a public hearing on said proposed budgets at which time persons wishing to be heard on the budgets were allowed to appear, notice of said hearing having been given pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-81-5.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the budgets, attached hereto and made a part hereof for the fiscal year 2016 beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2016, for the City of Waycross, are approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that amendments to the budget so as to adapt to changing governmental needs during the fiscal year may be made in accordance with the provision of O.C.G.A. § 36-81-3.

SO RESOLVED, this 16th day of June, 2015.

CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA

ALVIN D. NELSON
Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK
JULIE C. DINKINS

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the Resolution to approve the Fiscal Year 2016 Budget (July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016) for the City of Waycross. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion; the vote was unanimous for approval.

The Resolution of the City of Waycross to Increase Residential and Commercial Garbage Fees plus extra can fees was presented for approval:

RESOLUTION NO. 15-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS TO INCREASE RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE FEES AND EXTRA CAN, COMMERCIAL GARBAGE FEES AND COMMERCIAL EXTRA CAN; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 13-11 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Waycross, Georgia, and Section 13-10 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Waycross, Georgia, the Commission of the City of Waycross, from time to time, shall determine and set residential garbage fees and commercial garbage fees; and

WHEREAS, because of increasing costs and regulatory burdens placed upon the City, it is necessary to increase the monthly residential garbage fees, commercial garbage fees and extra can fees by \$1.00; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Commission of the City of Waycross, Georgia, as follows:

- A. From and after July 1, 2015, Residential Garbage fees shall be \$12.85 per month (an increase from \$11.85 per month).
- B. From and after July 1, 2015, Residential extra can shall be \$6.75 per month (an increase from \$5.75 per month).
- C. From and after July 1, 2015, Commercial Garbage fees shall be \$20.50 per month (an increase from \$19.50 per month).
- D. From and after July 1, 2015, Commercial extra can shall be \$11.75 per month (an increase from \$10.75 per month).
- E. From and after July 1, 2015, The Rollout Fee shall remain the same, \$5.00 per month.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the effective date of this Resolution shall be July 1, 2015.

SO RESOLVED this the 18th day of June, 2015.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

**ALVIN D. NELSON
MAYOR PRO TEM**

**ATTEST:
JULIE C. DINKINS, City Clerk**

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the Resolution of the City of Waycross to Increase Residential and Commercial Garbage Fees plus extra can fees as presented to the Commission for approval. Commissioner Larry Ethridge seconded the motion. The vote was positive to approve the motion.

A Resolution to Set Rates and Charges for Garbage and Refuse Collection for Commercial Dumpster Customers was presented:

RESOLUTION NO. 15-23

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA,
TO SET RATES AND CHARGES IDENTIFIED IN CHAPTER 13
OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS FOR GARBAGE
AND REFUSE COLLECTION FOR COMMERCIAL DUMPSTER CUSTOMERS;
TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, under the provision of Section 13-11 of the Code of the City of Waycross, Georgia, the rate and charges for the collection of garbage and refuse by the City shall be determined by the Commission of the City of Waycross from time to time and on file in the office of the city clerk; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to an Exclusive Agreement between the City of Waycross, Georgia, and Republic Services of Georgia Limited Partnership, D/B/A Southland Waste Systems ("Southland"), dated August 7, 2012, the City of Waycross took over billing and collection of commercial dumpster customers from Southland to the City, including implementation of a fee schedule provided for those commercial dumpster customers; and

WHEREAS, said transition of billing and collection of commercial dumpster customers from Southland to the City shall, by mutual agreement of the parties, become effective July 1, 2013, and the City now desires to set rates and charges for said commercial dumpster customers while maintaining continuity of services and billing; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has determined that the rates for existing commercial dumpster customers and new dumpster customers shall be revised pursuant to Exhibit A, attached and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein; and

WHEREAS, said matters and the proposed rate structure having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the City of Waycross sets rates and charges for existing commercial dumpster customers which shall be changed to reflect the rates set herein in Exhibit A, attached and incorporated by reference as if fully set forth herein; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Waycross shall begin charging said rates and charges for all commercial dumpster accounts billed by the City of Waycross effective July 1, 2015.

SO RESOLVED, this 16th of June, 2015.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

ATTEST:
JULIE DINKINS
City Clerk

ALVIN D. NELSON
Mayor Pro Tem

EXHIBIT A

City of Waycross Commercial Dumpster Rates as of 7/01/2015:

# Weekly	<u>Dumpster Size</u>			
	2 YARD	4 YARD	6 YARD	8 YARD
1 X W	\$41.86	80.09	114.67	145.62
2 X W	83.74	160.18	229.35	291.24
3 X W	125.59	240.28	344.02	436.86
4 X W	167.47	320.36	458.69	582.46
5 X W	209.33	400.45	573.37	728.08
6 X W	251.20	480.53	688.04	873.70

The Resolution to Set Rates and Charges for Garbage and Refuse Collection for Commercial Dumpster Customers as presented was approved by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines; seconded by Commissioner Larry Ethridge; and approved unanimously.

The Resolution of the City of Waycross to Discontinue and Withhold Funding of the Waycross – Ware County Downtown Development Authority was presented to the Commission for approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 06-27

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA,
TO DISCONTINUE AND WITHHOLD FUNDING OF THE
WAYCROSS – WARE COUNTY DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY; TO SET AN EFFECTIVE DATE;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, on June 16, 2015, the Commission of the City of Waycross adopted a balanced Budget for Fiscal Year 2016 and which included \$25,000.00 (Non-Operating Budget, account # 100-57-7-520-10-2000) being budgeted for the Waycross – Ware County Downtown Development Authority (hereinafter referred to as the “Authority”), payable in twelve (12) equal monthly payments of \$2,083.33; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross has the authority and power to appoint at least one member to serve on the Board of the Authority every year and to serve as an active and voting member; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross made its appointment for the year 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Authority chooses not to recognize the City’s appointment and refuses to allow her to sit as a voting and active member of the Authority; and

WHEREAS, on information and belief, Ware County is no longer providing funding to the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission deems it necessary to discontinue and withhold funding from the City of Waycross to the Authority; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the City of Waycross discontinue and withhold funding of the Waycross – Ware County Downtown Development Authority until further notice or action of this Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be directed, authorized and empowered to do all the acts and things necessary in order to carry out the purposes and intent of this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED, this 16th day of June, 2015.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

ALVIN D. NELSON
Mayor Pro Tem

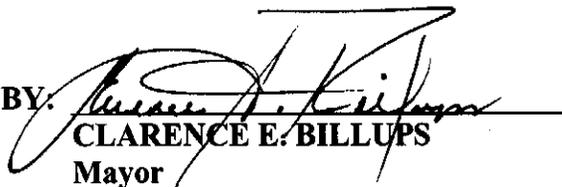
ATTEST:

JULIE DINKINS,
CITY CLERK

Commission Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the Resolution of the City of Waycross to Discontinue and Withhold Funding of the Waycross – Ware County Downtown Development Authority as presented to the Commission. Commissioner Larry Ethridge seconded the motion. Commissioners Marian Solomon-Gaines, Mayor Pro Tem Alvin Nelson, Commissioner Diane Hopkins and Commissioner Larry Ethridge voted yes; Commissioner Norman Davis voted no. The motion carried with a 4 – 1 vote.

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: 
CLARENCE E. BILLUPS
Mayor

ATTEST: 
JULIE C. DINKINS, City Clerk