

MINUTES
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2018
5:00 PM

The Commission of the City of Waycross held their Regular City Commission Meeting on Tuesday, June 19, 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 Marian Solomon-Gaines, Norman Davis and Diane Hopkins. Commissioner John Threat was absent.

Commissioner Norman Davis introduced Reverend Larry O'Hara, Pastor Manor Baptist Church and President of the local NAACP who offered the opening invocation. The Invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor John Knox.

During Executive Duties, City Attorney Rick Currie scheduled one public hearing: Annexing portion of Marion Street Right of Way from S City Boulevard to Palm Beach Avenue Zoning 517 Palmetto Drive from County A-Agriculture to City R-75 for July 17, 2018 at 4:30 p.m.

Mayor John Knox announced that the Waycross City Commission will hold its Planning and Information Session on Monday July 2, 2018 at 3:30 p.m. followed by the Waycross City Commission Meeting at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor John Knox announced the following appointments to the Waycross-Ware County Planning Commission;

Post 5 – Jim Brown - Three Year Term beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021.

Post 8 – Dr. Michael-Angelo James - Three Year Term beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2021.

City Manager Raphel Maddox thanked all of the employees of the City of Waycross for a great fiscal year 2018 and stated that he looks forward to a bigger and better fiscal year 2019.

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: Waycross City Commission Planning and Information Session, Monday, June 4, 2018; Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, June 5, 2018 and Budget Work Session, Tuesday, June 5, 2018.

One Consent Resolution Transferring Oakland Cemetery Lots from Gene R. Smith to Jerry Alderman Lot 6 and Lot 7, 4 grave spaces.

There was one Ordinance presented for second reading.

ORDINANCE NO. O18-07

AN ORDINANCE UNDER AUTHORITY OF GEORGIA LAW TO ANNEX INTO THE EXISTING CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, CERTAIN PROPERTY ON MEMORIAL DRIVE AT AARON STREET; TO ESTABLISH ZONING CLASSIFICATION FOR THE ANNEXED PROPERTY; TO ZONE SAID PROPERTY TO C-2 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL; TO CHANGE THE LAND USE PLAN; TO SET AN EFFECTIVE DATE; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

There were no Privilege License renewals.

The Consent Calendar was approved by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines, second by Commissioner Norman Davis; and approved with a 4-0 vote.

There was on New Privilege License presented: Reshma Patel d/b/a OM Convenience, 935 Tebeau Street Package Sales / Beer and Wine. Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Norman Davis and the motion was adopted with a 4-0 vote.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve an the Fiscal Year 2019 (July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019) Budgets for the City of Waycross was presented to the Commission for approval.

RESOLUTION NO. 18R-53

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA, TO APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2019 (JULY 1, 2018, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2019) BUDGETS FOR THE CITY OF WAYCROSS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, on June 5, 2018, the Commission of the City of Waycross held budget hearings and examined the proposed balanced budget for fiscal year 2019; and

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

WHEREAS, said budgets indicate anticipated revenues as follows:

General Fund	\$15,071,600.00
Water & Sewer Fund	\$ 6,506,440.00
Waste Management Fund	\$ 2,368,626.00
City Auditorium Fund	\$ 34,909.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 223,585.00
WPD Information Technology Fund	\$ 30,000.00
Hotel/Motel Tax Fund	\$ 362,000.00
SPLOST 2008-2013 Fund	\$ 861,985.00
SPLOST 2014	\$ 7,410,000.00
TSPLOST 2018	\$ 1,200,000.00

for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019; 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	\$15,071,600.00
Water & Sewer Fund	\$ 6,506,440.00
Waste Management Fund	\$ 2,368,626.00
City Auditorium Fund	\$ 34,909.00
Cemetery Fund	\$ 223,585.00
WPD Information Technology Fund	\$ 30,000.00
Hotel/Motel Tax Fund	\$ 362,000.00
SPLOST 2008-2013 Fund	\$ 861,985.00
SPLOST 2014	\$ 7,410,000.00
TSPLOST 2018	\$ 1,200,000.00

for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019; 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 Section 2-376 of the Code of Ordinances 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 5, 2018, 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 2019 beginning July 1, 2018, and ending June 30, 2019, 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 19th day of June, 2018.

CITY OF WAYCROSS
BY: JOHN KNOX, Mayor

ATTEST:
JULIE C. DINKINS

City of Waycross, Georgia		
Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Public Hearing		
6/05/2018	6:00PM	417 Pendleton Street, City Hall
<p>The purpose of this hearing is to present the proposed budget for the 2019 General Fund, Enterprise Funds, and Special Revenue Funds. All citizens of Waycross are invited to attend. Handicapped citizens requiring assistance to attend this hearing should make their request to the City Manager's office (telephone: 287-2912). Citizens may submit written or oral questions on any part of the entire budget. A copy is on file for public examination at City Hall.</p>		
General Fund		
Anticipated Revenues	City Taxes & Licenses	10,906,200
	Alcohol Wholesale Tax	310,000
	Public Safety	440,000
	Permits	57,600
	Miscellaneous Revenues	280,180
	Reimbursements	3,077,620
	Anticipated Revenues Total	15,071,600
Anticipated Expenditures	General Fund Operations	14,559,136
	Non-Operating	512,464
	Anticipated Expenditures Total	15,071,600
Enterprise Funds		
<i>Water & Sewer Fund</i>		
Anticipated Revenues	Water & Sewer Service Fees	5,175,940
	Water & Sewer Tap Fees	16,000
	Miscellaneous Revenues	1,314,500
	Anticipated Revenues Total	6,506,440
Anticipated Expenditures	Water & Sewer Operations	3,294,013
	Non-Operating	3,212,427
	Anticipated Expenditures Total	6,506,440
<i>Waste Management Fund</i>		
Anticipated Revenues	Garbage & Trash Fees	1,433,516
	Dumpster Fees	858,000
	Miscellaneous Revenues	77,110
	Anticipated Revenues Total	2,368,626
Anticipated Expenditures	Operations	2,285,036
	Non-Operating	83,590
	Anticipated Expenditures Total	2,368,626

<i>City Auditorium Fund</i>		
Anticipated Revenues	City Auditorium Revenue	34,909
	Anticipated Revenues Total	34,909
Anticipated Expenditures	Operations	34,909
	Anticipated Expenditures Total	34,909
Special Revenue Funds		
<i>Cemetery Fund</i>		
Anticipated Revenues	Lot Sales, Interment, Monument Fees	223,585
	Anticipated Revenues Total	223,585
Anticipated Expenditures	Operations	223,585
	Anticipated Expenditures Total	223,585
<i>WPD Information Technology Fund</i>		
Anticipated Revenues	IT Revenue Fees	30,000
	Anticipated Revenues Total	30,000
Anticipated Expenditures	Operations	30,000
	Anticipated Expenditures Total	30,000
<i>Hotel/Motel Tax Fund</i>		
Anticipated Revenues	Hotel/Motel Tax	362,000
	Anticipated Revenues Total	362,000
Anticipated Expenditures	Tourism Expense	362,000
	Anticipated Expenditures Total	362,000
<i>SPLOST 2008-2013 Fund</i>		
Anticipated Revenues	Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax	861,985
	Anticipated Revenues Total	861,985
Anticipated Expenditures	Projects	861,985
	Anticipated Expenditures Total	861,985
<i>SPLOST 2014 Fund</i>		
Anticipated Revenues	Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax	7,410,000
	Anticipated Revenues Total	7,410,000
Anticipated Expenditures	Projects	7,410,000
	Anticipated Expenditures Total	7,410,000
<i>TSPLOST 2018 Fund</i>		
Anticipated Revenues	Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax	1,200,000
	Anticipated Revenues Total	1,200,000
Anticipated Expenditures	Projects	1,200,000
	Anticipated Expenditures Total	1,200,000

A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve an the Fiscal Year 2019 (July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019) Budgets for the City of Waycross was approved by the Commission by motion from Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall. Commissioner Norman Davis seconded the motion and the motion was approved with a 4-0 vote.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve Fireworks Display Agreement with Pyrotecnico, Inc. for the Fourth of July Fireworks Exhibition was presented for approval.

RESOLUTION NO. R18-51

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA,
TO APPROVE FIREWORKS DISPLAY AGREEMENT WITH PYROTECNICO, INC.
FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY 2018 FIREWORKS EXHIBITION;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross, Georgia, has traditionally purchased fireworks for the Fourth of July fireworks exhibition in the City of Waycross, Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross has successfully contracted for many years with PYROTECNICO FIREWORKS, INC., a Pennsylvania Corporation, for this fireworks exhibition; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross has been presented with a Fireworks Display Agreement between PYROTECNICO FIREWORKS, INC. and THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, in the form of the Agreement attached hereto, and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set out, and which includes furnishing, delivering and exhibiting fireworks on July 4, 2018, in the City of Waycross, Georgia, for the contract price of **\$10,000.00**; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the Fireworks Display Agreement between PYROTECNICO FIREWORKS, INC. and THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, in the form of the Agreement attached hereto, and incorporated herein by reference as if fully set out, be approved for the Fourth of July, 2018, fireworks exhibition in the City of Waycross, Georgia.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Manager and City Finance Director be authorized, directed and empowered to advance the sum of **\$10,000.00** to PYROTECNICO FIREWORKS, INC. and its fiscal agent, and to do all the acts and things necessary in order to carry out the purposes and intent of this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED, this 19th day of June, 2018.

CITY OF WAYCROSS
BY: JOHN KNOX, Mayor

ATTEST:
JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk

A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve Fireworks Display Agreement with Pyrotecnico, Inc. for the Fourth of July Fireworks Exhibition was approved by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines; seconded by Commissioner Diane Hopkins and approved with a 4-0 vote.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve the Transfer of Funds to the Waycross – Ware County Land Bank Authority was presented to the Commissioners for approval.

RESOLUTION NO. R18-52

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA,
TO TRANSFER FUNDS TO THE WAYCROSS – WARE COUNTY LAND BANK
AUTHORITY;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross, on or about June 6, 2017, by Resolution Number R17-35, in partnership with the Ware County Board of Commissioners, established and created a Land Bank as authorized and allowed by Georgia law in order to assemble and/or dispose of dilapidated, abandoned and tax delinquent property and thus, to strengthen and revitalize the local economy; and

WHEREAS, on or about June 5, 2018, the City Commission amended the intergovernmental contract with Ware County Board of Commissioners to reflect that it is the Waycross – Ware County Land Bank Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Waycross – Ware County Land Bank Authority is in need of start-up funds in order to pay the taxes and fees associated with the recent judicial in rem foreclosure of the Bailey Street School property and for an insurance policy for said property; and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the City Commission hereby approves the transfer of \$6250.00 to the Waycross – Ware County Land Bank Authority, said checking account being at Waycross Bank & Trust, for the payment and satisfaction of the above-mentioned costs and fees.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Clerk and City Finance Director are directed and authorized to take the necessary action to transfer \$6250.00 from Community Improvement Funds to the Waycross – Ware County Land Bank Authority bank account at Waycross Bank & Trust, and to do all the acts and things necessary in order to carry out the purposes and intent of this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED, this 19th day of June, 2018.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY: JOHN KNOX, Mayor

ATTEST:

JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk

Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall made the motion to approve the Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve the Transfer of Funds to the Waycross – Ware County Land Bank Authority as presented to the Commissioners. Commissioner Norman Davis seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Mr. Rudy Solomon, 507 Lister Street addressed the Commissioners concerning roads. Mr. Solomon reported a repair on Lister Street, City crews placed cones around the area but have yet to come back and repair the problem. Mr. Solomon also note that a cave-in was beginning at Alice Street near a manhole cover. City Engineer Jessica Deal addressed these issues, stating that she was looked at both problems. Lister Street is awaiting repair by ESG. Alice Street is a result of settling due to abundance of rain. The City plans to repair this, next project.

After last call, Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall 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