

**MINUTES**  
**WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2015**  
**7:00 P.M.**

The Regular Session of the Commission of the City of Waycross was held on Tuesday, July 21, 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 Pro Tem Alvin Nelson were Commissioners, Marian Solomon-Gaines, Norman Davis, Diane Hopkins and Larry Ethridge.

Mayor Pro Tem Alvin Nelson introduced Reverend Johnny Summerall, Pastor, First Assembly of God who offered the opening invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

In the absence of City Manager Raphael Maddox, Public Works Director Wilton Deloach filled in as Acting City Manager. Mr. Deloach welcomed the Leadership Waycross Class of 2015 to the meeting. He thanked Sloan and all of the volunteers for a great WayFest, stating it was well attended and hot. Mr. Deloach thanked the Commission on behalf of the employees for the cost of living increase which will be in their next paycheck, stating that the employees are very appreciative.

Mayor Clarence E. Billups congratulated the members of Leadership Waycross 2015 for being involved in the Community. The Mayor thanked Sloan and the many volunteers for a job well done at the WayFest event. Mayor Billups thanked the Department Directors for being good stewards of the City's money by allowing the City to keep the millage rate the same for one more year. No tax increase.

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 to Discuss Personnel, Litigation, and Real Estate, Monday, July 6, 2015; Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, July 7, 2015; Two Town Hall Meetings and one Public Hearing, Monday, July 13, 2015.

Two Second Readings for Ordinances:

- a. Amending the Code of the City of Waycross to Allow for Sunday Package Sales of Malt Beverages, Wine & Distilled Spirits and to Authorize a Referendum
- b. Amending the Code of the City of Waycross to Allow for Sales on Sunday by Licensed Establishments on Premises for Malt Beverages, Wine & Distilled Spirits

One Privilege License Renewal: Ora Lee Wright, The Food Market, 1301 Sweet Street/Renewal/Retail Beer.

There were no Consent Resolutions.

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines. All Commissioners voted in favor and the motion was approved with a 5 – 0 vote.

An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance Text; Section 710.2 – GI General Industrial District was presented to the Commission for approval for the first reading.

### **ORDINANCE NO. 15-16**

#### **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE WAYCROSS ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT; TO AMEND ARTICLE VII – REQUIREMENT BY DISTRICTS, SECTION 710.2 – G1 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT, PERMITTED USES, BY ADDING AUTO REPAIR SHOPS AS A PERMITTED USE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Ordinance Text; Section 710.2 – GI General Industrial District as presented to the Commission for approval of the first reading. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Waycross Chapter 24 Pertaining to Transient Merchants, Peddlers and Solicitors was presented to the Commission for approval of the first reading.

### **ORDINANCE NO. 15 – 17**

#### **AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA; TO AMEND CHAPTER 24 PERTAINING TO TRANSIENT MERCHANTS, PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS; TO AMEND SECTIONS 24-8, 24-10 AND 24-13 PERTAINING TO PERMITS AND FEES FOR TRANSIENT MERCHANTS AND LICENSE FEES FOR TRANSIENT PEDDLERS, RESPECTIVELY; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Waycross Chapter 24 Pertaining to Transient Merchants, Peddlers and Solicitors as presented to the Commission for the first reading was approved by motion from Commissioner Norman Davis. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Diane Hopkins; all voted positively and the motion was approved.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross to Authorize and Direct the Mayor to Execute a Lease Supplement for a Lease for a John Deere Loader was presented to the Commission for approval:

**RESOLUTION NO. 15-31**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA,  
TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS TO  
EXECUTE A LEASE SUPPLEMENT FOR A LEASE UNDER THE GEORGIA  
MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION DIRECT LEASING PROGRAM FOR A JOHN DEERE  
LOADER; TO DESIGNATE SUCH LEASES AS QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT  
OBLIGATIONS; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE;  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the City of Waycross (hereinafter referred to as the “City”) has entered into a Master Lease (hereinafter referred to as the “Master Lease”) dated as of September 24, 2008, with Georgia Municipal Association, Inc., for the leasing from time to time of certain equipment, machinery or other personal property pursuant to Supplemental Leases;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS:**

1. The Mayor of the City is hereby directed, empowered and authorized to execute and deliver a Lease Supplement Pursuant to the Master Lease to put into effect one lease for **John Deere 624K Loader** (hereinafter referred to as the “Leased Property”); said Mayor of the City is further directed, empowered and authorized, in the name and on behalf of the City, to execute and deliver: (i) one or more Lease Supplements for items of the Leased Property in substantially the form attached to the Master Lease, with such changes and additional information as may be approved by said officer, and (ii) such other documents as may be deemed by such officer to be necessary or desirable to effect the purposes hereof or of the Master Lease, and such execution shall constitute conclusive evidence that the executed document has been authorized and approved hereby; and the Mayor of the City of Waycross is further authorized to do all things necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.
  
2. An appropriation in the City’s current operating budget has previously been made which shall be sufficient to pay the “Rentals” and the “Termination Payment” during the “Starting Term” under such Lease Supplements;

3. The lease or leases contemplated by the said Lease Supplements are hereby designated "Qualified Tax-Exempt Obligations" within the meaning of Section 265 (b) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, and said officer shall be authorized to confirm such designation by execution of appropriate documents in connection therewith.
4. This authorization shall be effective immediately.

**SO RESOLVED**, This 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 2015.

**CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA**

**BY: CLARENCE E. BILLUPS, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

**JULIE DINKINS, City Clerk**

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the Resolution of the City of Waycross to Authorize and Direct the Mayor to Execute a Lease Supplement for a Lease for a John Deere Loader as presented to the Commission. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines; the vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross to Authorize and Direct the Mayor to Execute a Lease Supplement for a Lease for a John Deere Backhoe Loader was presented to the Commission for approval:

**RESOLUTION NO. 15-32**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA,  
TO AUTHORIZE AND DIRECT THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS TO  
EXECUTE A LEASE SUPPLEMENT FOR A LEASE  
UNDER THE GEORGIA MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION DIRECT LEASING  
PROGRAM FOR A JOHN DEERE BACKHOE; TO DESIGNATE SUCH LEASES AS  
QUALIFIED TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE;  
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**WHEREAS**, said matter having been considered.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS:**

1. The Mayor of the City is hereby directed, authorized and empowered to execute and deliver a Lease Supplement Pursuant to the Master Lease to put into effect one lease for **John Deere 310SL BACKHOE Loader** (hereinafter referred to as the "Leased Property"); said Mayor of the City is further directed, empowered and authorized, in the name and on behalf of the City, to execute and deliver: (i) one or more Lease Supplements for items of the Leased Property in substantially the form attached to the Master Lease, with such changes and additional information as may be approved by said officer, and (ii) such other documents as may be deemed by such officer to be necessary or desirable to effect the purposes hereof or of the Master Lease, and such execution shall constitute conclusive evidence that the executed document has been authorized and approved hereby; the aforesaid officer is further authorized to do all things necessary or appropriate to effectuate the purposes hereof.
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Pastor Romney Bellamy appeared before the Commission in regards to his Back to School Pep Rally scheduled for August 2, 2015. Pastor Bellamy encouraged the Commissioners to come and present some positive role models for the students.

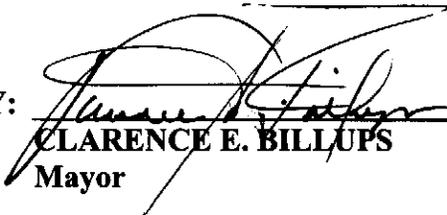
Ms. Verdell Long, 1020 Cabinet Street addressed the Commission stating that she appreciates the Commissioners being involved in the Community and also encouraged the Commissioners to be involved in the Community and especially with the children.

During last call, Mr. Norman Davis rebutted the statements made against him at the Work Session and in the Waycross Journal Herald. He also asked the Department Heads to take care of several items in the community.

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.

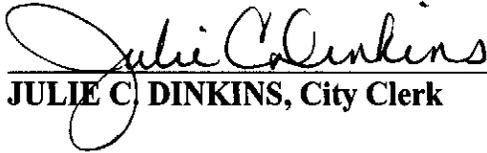
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