

**MINUTES**  
**WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2020**  
**5:00 PM**

The Commission of the City of Waycross held their Regular City Commission Meeting on Tuesday, September 1, 2020 in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. The meeting was called to order by the Honorable Michael-Angelo James, Mayor of the City of Waycross at 5:00 p.m. Members in attendance were: Mayor Michael-Angelo James, Mayor Pro Tem John Threat, Commissioners Marian Solomon-Gaines, Diane Hopkins, Norman Davis, and Henry Strickland.

Commissioner Diane Hopkins introduced City Manager Tonya Miller who offered the opening invocation. The Invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Michael-Angelo James.

James Smart introduced Larry Keith Brown, Public Works Department who was named September Employee of the Month.

Mayor James presented the State of Georgia Law Enforcement Certification to the Waycross Police Department. Chief Cox received the award.

During Official Reports, City Manager Tony Miller reported on Mask discussions given by GMA through teleconference. Mayor James reported on an eight-hour Economic Development Training.

There were no public remarks on official action.

Mayor James presented the Consent Calendar as read by City Clerk for consideration of official action as follows:

Approval of Minutes: Waycross City Commission Planning and Information Session and Executive Session, Monday, August 17, 2020 at 5:00p.m.; Public Hearing, Tuesday, August 18, 2020, 4:45 p.m.; and Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 5:00p.m.

There were no ordinances for second readings.

There were no consent resolutions, and no privilege license renewals.

The Consent Calendar was approved by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines; seconded by Commissioner Diane Hopkins, and approved with favorable vote.

Linda Jones, Purchasing Director, presented WAYX 21-01 Surplus Property bid to the Commission for approval. Staff request that items be declared surplus property to be sold on Govs.deal.com or traded to Enterprise Fleet Management to offset the cost of vehicles newly leased. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines move that the bid approved. Commissioner Diane Hopkins seconded the motion. All voted in favor, and the motion pass.

No ordinance was presented for the first reading.

The Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification Report was presented for approval.

**RESOLUTION NO. R20-86**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA,  
TO APPROVE FEDERAL EQUITABLE SHARING AGREEMENT AND  
CERTIFICATION REPORT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the federal government sets forth certain requirements for participation in the federal Equitable Sharing Program and also establishes restrictions upon the use of federally forfeited funds, property, and any interest earned thereon, which are equitably shared with participating law enforcement agencies; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Waycross Police Department is a participating law enforcement agency of the Equitable Sharing Program; and

**WHEREAS**, in order to qualify, and continue to qualify, the Waycross Police Department must agree that it will be bound by the *Guide to Equitable Sharing for State, Local, and Tribal Law Enforcement Agencies*, and make an accurate accounting of funds received and spent by the participating law enforcement agency; and

**WHEREAS**, submission of the Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification is a prerequisite to receiving any funds or property through the Equitable Sharing Program; and

**WHEREAS**, said matter having been considered.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Commission of the City of Waycross that the Mayor, City Manager, City Clerk, City Chief of Police and City Finance Director be and are hereby authorized, directed and empowered to execute the Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification, a copy of which is attached hereto and incorporated herein as if fully set forth.

**SO RESOLVED**, this 1<sup>st</sup> day of September, 2020, nunc pro tunc to 08/24/2020.

**CITY OF WAYCROSS**

**BY: MICHAEL-ANGELO JAMES, Mayor**

**ATTEST:**

**MICHELLE LOVE, City Clerk**

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Approve a Federal Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification as presented; the motion was seconded by Commissioner Norman Davis. The vote was approved by all present.

Mr. Michael Hargrove addressed the Commission in reference to the removal of Confederate Solider Statue from Phoenix Park.

After last call, Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Diane Hopkins seconded the motion; all voted in favor.

The meeting was adjourned by Mayor Michael-Angelo James.

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