

**MINUTES**  
**WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2013**  
**7:00 P.M.**

The Commission of the City of Waycross met in Regular Session in the Commission Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, November 19, 2013. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Clarence E. Billups at 7:05 p.m. Those in attendance with Mayor Billups were Mayor Pro Tem William Simmons, Commissioners Diane Hopkins, Alvin Nelson, Marian Solomon-Gaines, and Norman Davis.

Reverend William Simmons, Mayor Pro Tem and Pastor of Light of the World Ministries offered the opening invocation. The invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance which was led by Madisyn Myrick, a second grade student at Center Elementary School.

Under Executive Duties, Mayor Clarence Billups scheduled a Zoning Public Hearing for Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. to Rezone 310 Screven Avenue from RS – Single Family to C-1 Neighborhood Commercial.

City Manager Deron W. King announced the 39<sup>th</sup> anniversary of service with the City of Waycross for Marcia Kilmark. Ms. Kilmark is one of the classiest and distinguished employees of the City of Waycross.

Mr. King announced that in celebration of the Thanksgiving holidays, local businesses churches and citizens are giving back to the community. A Thanks-in-Giving celebration will be held on Tuesday, November 26, 2013 from 1 until 3. Contact Dr. Yolanda Rivers for more information or you know of anyone who is in need of a meal.

In the Mayor's Report, Mayor Clarence Billups congratulated Mr. Larry Ethridge on his election to City Commission Post 2. The Mayor also thanked everyone who supported the SPLOST. If you don't vote, you won't have a voice. We are very appreciative and will be good stewards of the SPLOST funds.

Several weeks ago Mayor Billups met with a group and received calls with regards to the incident where Mr. Roberson was shot and killed. It was said at that time that the City would come back to the public and are making good on our promise to appoint an Advisory Committee. This Committee will be an advisory in nature to address citizen concerns, not just with the Police Department. Duties and responsibilities will be set out in the near future and each Commissioner appoint one member from each district. The Committee will not be autonomous of the Commission but will work closely with the Commission and the Police Chief.

On December 4, 2013 the Mayor's Motorcade donations will be taken to Savannah Regional to the mental health patients. Thanks to Chief Eddins for his help in this endeavor. Thanks to the citizens who have made donations.

Mayor Billups wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and reminded citizens of the Christmas Parade on December 7, 2013. Parade Grand Marshall will be Mayor Pro Tem William Simmons.

Mayor Billups presented the Consent Calendar as read by Acting City Clerk, Allison Herrin for consideration of official action as follows:

Approval of Provisional Minutes: Waycross City Commission Planning & Information Session and Executive Session, Monday, November 4, 2013, and Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, November 5, 2013;

No Ordinance Second Readings and no Consent Resolution.

Privilege License Renewals as follows:

1. James C. Jones, III, d/b/a Flash Foods, Inc., Flash Foods #1, 505 Reynolds Street, Retail Beer and Wine.
2. James C. Jones, III, d/b/a Flash Foods, Inc., Flash Foods #127, 2307 Plant Avenue, Retail Beer and Wine.
3. James C. Jones, III, d/b/a Flash Foods, Inc., Flash Foods #150, 1712 Memorial Drive, Retail Beer and Wine.
4. James C. Jones, III, d/b/a Flash Foods, Inc., Flash Foods #258, 1736 South Georgia Parkway, Retail Beer and Wine.
5. John G. Arnold, d/b/a Harveys Supermarket #2326, 510 Tebeau Street, Retail Beer and Wine.
6. Amrutal G. Patel d/b/a Stop and Save, 1333 South Georgia Parkway, Retail Beer and Wine.
7. Peter Wroble, d/b/a The W Med Spa & Salon, 636 Plant Avenue, Consumption on Premises Wine.
8. Roy Rhodes d/b/a Cheers Package Store, 325 Hatcher Point Road, Suite A, Retail Beer, Wine and Liquor.
9. Tony Joseph d/b/a Wal-Mart Store East, LP, Wal-Mart #556, 2425 Memorial Drive, Retail Beer and Wine.

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Mayor Pro Tem William Simmons seconded the motion; all Commissioners voted favorably and the motion carried with a 5-0 vote.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia to Authorize Execution of Right-of-Way Deeds to Convey Parcels 117 and 117-R to the Georgia Department of Transportation in Connection with Ware County Project HPPNE-0084-00(27) and to Execute all Closing Documents was presented:

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-60**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA  
TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF RIGHT OF WAY DEEDS TO CONVEY  
PARCEL 117 AND 117-R TO THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF  
TRANSPORTATION IN CONNECTION WITH WARE COUNTY PROJECT  
HPPNE-0084-00(27); TO EXECUTE ALL CLOSING DOCUMENTS;  
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia Department of Transportation (the "Department") has previously notified the City of Waycross that it intends to widen and relocate sections of State Route 38/US 84 in Ware County and the City limits of Waycross, as described in Order 3589; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Waycross has agreed to convey certain real property owned by the City known as Parcels 117 and 117-R to the Department in connection with obtaining the Right of Way for said County Project HPPNE-0084-00(27); and

**WHEREAS**, the City of Waycross has agreed to accept the sum of \$6,000.00 from the Department as fair market value compensation for said parcels; 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 hereby approved the conveyance of the real property set forth above to the Georgia Department of Transportation for the consideration of \$6,000.00 in connection with the Department's road widening project for State Route 38/ US 84 in Ware County and the City limits of Waycross, Georgia.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Mayor of the City of Waycross and City Clerk be authorized to execution the Right of Way Deeds and all other Closing documents in connection with said project, hereby ratifying and confirming all the acts and things done in order to give effect to the purposes of this Resolution.

**SO RESOLVED** this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013.

**CITY OFWAYCROSS, GEORGIA**

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

**ATTEST:**  
**ALLISON HERRIN, ACTING CITY CLERK**

Commissioner Norman Davis made the motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Execution of ROW Deed to Convey Parcels 117 and 117-R to the Georgia Department of Transportation in Connection with Ware County Project HPPNE-0084-00(27) and to Execute all Closing Documents as presented. Mayor Pro Tem William Simmons seconded the motion; all Commissioners voted yes and the motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

A Resolution Approving Budget Amendments for City Auditorium Renovation and Fire and Special Purpose Vehicles in the Special Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) was presented:

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-57**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA  
TO AMEND THE FISCAL YEAR 2014 BUDGET BY APPROVING THE  
TRANSFER OF EXCESS FUNDS FROM ONE ACCOUNT TO ANOTHER  
TO PROVIDE FOR PAYMENT OF CERTAIN EXPENSES;  
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 \$25,313.854 for Fiscal year 2014 on June 18, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Commission deems it necessary to amend the Fiscal Year 2014 Budget by:

1. Using available Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax ("SPLOST") collection fund balances for renovations to the City auditorium to increase the operating budget by \$427,000.00, in order to complete remaining renovations to the City Auditorium.
2. Using available Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax ("SPLOST") collection fund balances for Fire and Special Purpose Vehicles to increase the operating budget by \$334,700.00, in order to purchase remaining budget Special Purpose Vehicles for the Waycross Fire Department and Waycross Police Department.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the above said adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2014 Budget be made and a copy of the amended Budget be attached hereto and made a part hereof for the Fiscal year beginning Jun 1, 2013 and ending June 30, 2014.

**SO RESOLVED** this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013.

**CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA**

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

**ATTEST:**

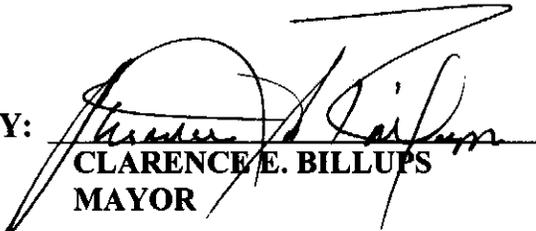
**ALLISON HERRIN, ACTING CITY CLERK**

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the Resolution Approving Budget Amendments for City Auditorium Renovation and Fire and Special Purpose Vehicles in the Special Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) as presented. Commissioner Alvin Nelson seconded the motion and the motion was approved with a 5-0 vote.

After closing remarks, Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Norman Davis seconded the motion. All voted in favor and Mayor Billups adjourned the meeting.

**CITY OF WAYCROSS**

**BY:**

  
**CLARENCE E. BILLUPS**  
**MAYOR**

**ATTEST:**



**ALLISON M. HERRIN, ACTING CITY CLERK**