

MINUTES
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2017
5:00 PM

The Commission of the City of Waycross held their Regular City Commission Meeting on Tuesday, December 5, 2017 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 Norman Davis, Larry Ethridge, Diane Hopkins and Marian Solomon-Gaines.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines introduced Miss Genesis Walker, A sophomore honor student at Pierce County High School who offered the opening invocation. The Invocation was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Knox. Ms. Oneida Sanders, one of the sponsors of the Delta Gems program, explained the goals and purposes of the program to the Commissioners.

City Manager Raphel Maddox announced that Mickey Cobb, former Waycrossian, will be the Grand Marshal of the Christmas Parade.

Human Resource Director Trinija Martin introduced Tomas Heard of the Waycross Fire Department as the December, 2017 Employee of the Month.

Human Resource Director Trinija Martin introduced the Employee of the Year, Mr. James Smart, Street Superintendent, Public Works Department.

Mayor John Knox presented a plaque to Danny and Judy Barnes in appreciation for their leading the movement to obtain the Veterans Memorial Wall.

During the City Manager's Report, Mr. Maddox congratulated Tomas Heard as the Employee of the Month and James Smart as the Employee of the Year. Mr. Maddox also stated what a great job Dany and Judy Barnes did on the Veterans Memorial Wall. He also thanked Fire Chief David Eddins for putting together a great Veterans Day Memorial Wall dedication program. Mr. Maddox thanked all the City employees who rang the bell for the Salvation Army at Walmart. Lastly, Mr. Maddox presented Tabius McKnight, Waycross Fire Department with an Extra Mile Award for his extra care and caution while operating a City firetruck.

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: Planning and Information Session Monday, November 20, 2017; and Waycross City Commission Meeting, November 21, 2017.

Privilege License Renewals as follows:

1. Aden's Minit Market #48, Donna Justice, 2198 Brunell St. Waycross, GA 31501
Package Sales Beer and Wine
2. CVS Pharmacy, Alvin Sumner Jr., 1800 Brunswick Hwy, Waycross, GA 31501
Package Sales Beer and Wine
3. Cavagnaro's, Amy Cavagnaro, 1810 S. Georgia Pkwy, Waycross, GA
Consumption on Premises, Beer, Wine and Liquor
4. Dollar General Market 9826, Shawn Farron, 1803 Knight Ave., Waycross, GA 31501
Package Sales Beer and Wine
5. Edd's Package Store, Pamela Collins, 608 S. Georgia Pkwy, Waycross, GA 31501
Package Sales Beer, Wine and Liquor
6. Friendly Express #14, David Turner, 507 City Blvd., Waycross, GA 31501
Package Sales Beer and Wine
7. Friendly Express #50, David Turner, 1720 Memorial Dr., Waycross, GA 31501
Package Sales Beer and Wine
8. Friendly Express #103, David Turner, 1811 S. Georgia Pkwy, Waycross, GA 31501
Package Sales Beer and Wine
9. Johnny's Food Store, Harmohinder Bawa, 819 Glenmore Ave, Waycross, GA 31501
Package Sales Beer and Wine
10. George's Liquor Store, Ritesh Kumar Patel, 2401 ½ Plant Ave, Waycross, GA 31501
Package Sales Beer, Wine and Liquor
11. Olive Garden Italian Restaurant 5814, Kristy Waldron, 2497 Memorial Dr, Waycross, GA 31501
Consumption on Premises Beer, Wine and Liquor
12. Petro Station, Harmohinder Bawa, 1001 S. Georgia Pkwy, Waycross, GA 31501
Package Sales Beer and Wine
13. Two Guys Beverage and Tobacco, Josh Fowler, 2100 Memorial Dr., Waycross, GA 31501
Package Sales Beer, Wine and Liquor
14. Wong's Palace, Ching Ping Tang, 903 Knight Ave, Waycross, GA 31501
Consumption on Premises Beer, Wine and Liquor

No Consent Resolutions or Ordinances.

The Consent Calendar was approved by motion from Commissioner Norman Davis, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jon Tindall, all voted in favor and the motion carried.

A Resolution for the Mayor and Commissioners of the City of Waycross, as a group and as individuals to subscribe to the following Ethics Principles and Pledge to Act accordingly was presented.

RESOLUTION NO. R17-74

A RESOLUTION FOR THE MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, AS A GROUP AND AS INDIVIDUALS, TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE FOLLOWING ETHICS PRINCIPLES AND PLEDGE TO ACT ACCORDINGLY; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Georgia Municipal Association has established a Certified City of Ethics program; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross, Georgia, wishes to be certified as a Certified City of Ethics under the program of the Georgia Municipal Association, hereinafter referred to as GMA; and,

WHEREAS, part of the certification process requires the Mayor and City Commissioners to subscribe to the ethics principles approved by the Board of Directors of GMA; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the governing authority of the City of Waycross, Georgia, that as a group and as individuals, the governing authority subscribes to the following ethics principles and pledges to conduct its affairs accordingly:

- * SERVE OTHERS, NOT OURSELVES**
- * USE RESOURCES WITH EFFICIENCY AND ECONOMY**
- * TREAT ALL PEOPLE FAIRLY**
- * USE THE POWER OF OUR POSITION FOR THE WELL BEING OF OUR CONSTITUTENTS**
- * CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT OF HONESTY, OPENNESS AND INTEGRITY**

SO RESOLVED, this 5th day of December, 2017.

CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA
JOHN KNOX, Mayor

MARIAN C. SOLOMON-GAINES
CITY COMMISSIONER

DIANE L. HOPKINS
CITY COMMISSIONER

LARRY ETHRIDGE
CITY COMMISSIONER

NORMAN E. DAVIS, SR.
CITY COMMISSIONER

JONATHAN M. TINDALL
CITY COMMISSIONER

ATTEST: JULIE C. DINKINS, CITY CLERK

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve a Resolution of the City of Waycross to recertify as a City of Ethics. Commissioner Larry Ethridge seconded the motion; all voted yes and the motion carried.

Police Chief Tony Tanner informed the Commission of an Active Shooter Program for local churches. This will be held in January and more information will follow.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines noted that a Reception will be held in honor of outgoing Commissioner Larry Ethridge on December 19, 2017 from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Following last call, Commissioner Norman Davis 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