

MINUTES

WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING

TUESDAY, AUGUST 17, 2010 - 7:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Commission of the City of Waycross was held in the Commission Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, August 17, 2010. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Clarence Billups at 7:00 p.m. with Commissioners William Simmons, Marian Solomon-Gaines, Diane Hopkins, and Mayor Pro Tem Daniel Yarbrough present for the meeting. Commissioner Norman Davis was not present.

Reverend William Simmons, Commissioner and Pastor of Light of the World Ministries offered the invocation which was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Clarence Billups announced a called meeting of the Waycross City Commission for the purpose of setting the Millage Rate, Friday, August 27, 11:15 a.m., Waycross City Commission Chambers.

Mayor Billups also announced the rescheduling of the Waycross City Commission Planning and Information Session from Monday, September 6, 2010 to Tuesday, September 7, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. due to the Labor Day holiday.

Acting City Manager Larry Gattis presented the City Manager's Report. He reported on the status of paving project as follows: Work is scheduled to resume Thursday on the City's 2010 SPLOST street and drainage project. The Contractor will begin clearing the right of way on Watts Street in advance of curb and gutter placement scheduled to commence next week. The pace of construction will pick-up by end of next week when curb and gutter work will be underway in earnest. This work will continue in the coming month on portions of Pine, Seaman, Izlar, Porter, James, and Carver streets.

Mr. Gattis reported that the Georgia Environmental Protection Division is preparing to re-issue the City's permit to discharge treated wastewater to the waters of the State of Georgia. This permit renewal is currently in the public notification phase until Mid-September after which issuance of the new permit is anticipated. For more than 5 years, the city's wastewater treatment plant has maintained an excellent compliance record, exceeding treatment standards required by the state. Last year our plant received the prestigious "Gold Award" recognition by the Georgia Association of Water Professionals. The public is invited to contact the City Engineer at 287-2945 with any questions about our impending permit renewal or for a copy of the EPD public notice advisory.

Public Works Director, Wilton Deloach presented two plaques to Street Department, Waste Management Superintendent James Smart recognizing his accomplishments of attaining certification by the Georgia Public Works Association and the National Public Works Association.

In presenting the Mayor's Report, Mayor Clarence Billups informed the Commission that he had spoken with Senator Greg Goggans who informed him that the transfer of the National Guard Armory is in the works and awaiting the legislature's approval to sign off and transfer the title to the City.

Mayor Billups congratulated James Smart on his certification and thanked him for the work he does for the City of Waycross.

There were no public remarks on official actions.

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 Utility Rate Study Called Meeting, Monday, July 12, 2010; Waycross City Commission Planning and Information Executive Session to Discuss Personnel, August 2, 2010; Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, August 3, 2010; Waycross City Commission Special Meeting and Planning and Information Executive Session to Discuss Personnel, Wednesday, August 4, 2010; Waycross City Commission Special Meeting and Planning and Information Executive Session to Discuss Personnel, Thursday, August 5, 2010;. There were no Ordinances, Resolutions or Privilege License Renewals.

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Commissioner Daniel Yarbrough seconded the motion; all Commissioners voted favorably and the motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

A privilege License for Roger Joiner, d/b/a Pond View Fine Dining, 311 Pendleton Street, Adding Liquor for Consumption on Premises to the Existing Privilege License was presented. Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to approve the privilege license for Pond View Fine Dining for Beer, Wine and Liquor, Consumption on Premises. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Daniel Yarbrough. All Commissioners voted yes and the motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

Acting City Manager, Larry Gattis presented WAYX11-01; Surplus Property / Bicycles to the Commissioners. The bicycles will be declared surplus property and donated to the YMCA for a new program if approved. Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to approve the bid; seconded by Commissioner Simmons; all voted in favor and the motion carried.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross to Award SPLOST FY2010 Water and Sewer Improvements Contract for Division Street was presented:

RESOLUTION NO. 10-52

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA
TO AWARD SPLOST FY2010 WATER AND SEWER
IMPROVEMENTS CONTRACT; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross desires to begin and complete construction of Water & Sewer expansion improvements toward extending city utilities on Division Street in the City of Waycross; and

WHEREAS, said project includes extending a 6” water main and 8” sewer main approximately 420 feet along Division Street from the corner of Canal Street; and

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross offered the project through competitive bidding and received and opened bids tendered for the project; and

WHEREAS, Woodard Construction Company had the lowest and best bid for the project in the amount of \$28,960.00 and

WHEREAS, said matter having been considered.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor, City Clerk, and City Manager be and are hereby authorized, directed and empowered to execute the documents necessary to award the contract for Water and Sewer improvements to Woodard Construction Company in the amount of \$28,960.00 to be paid from FY2010 SPLOST Water and Sewer expansion Funds.

SO RESOLVED, this 17th day of August, 2010.

CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA

BY: CLARENCE BILLUPS, MAYOR

**ATTEST:
JULIE C. DINKINS, CITY CLERK**

Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines made the motion to Approve the Resolution of the City of Waycross to Award SPLOST FY2010 Water and Sewer Improvements Contract for Division Street as presented. Commissioner Diane Hopkins seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted yes and the motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

A Resolution of the City of Waycross to Extend the Exclusive Agreement with Southland Waste for Residential Garbage Services was presented:

RESOLUTION NO. 10-51

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA
TO EXTEND EXCLUSIVE AGREEMENT FOR RESIDENTIAL GARBAGE
SERVICES; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

WHEREAS, the City of Waycross, Georgia and Southland Waste Services have previously entered into an Exclusive Agreement for Services dated June 5, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the contract by its terms commenced on July 1, 2007 and continued through June 30, 2008 with 5 successive one-year renewals and under such terms and conditions as appear in the attached contract; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to extend the contract with Southland Waste Services for another year beginning July 1, 2010 and ending June 30, 2011; and

WHEREAS, Southland will continue to provide services at the base monthly rate of \$54,575.00, subject to an increase (or decrease) by the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index (as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics), and will provide for specified rates for disposal through the transfer station.

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 approves extending the Exclusive Agreement for Services with Southland Waste Services in the form attached hereto, from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk be and are hereby authorized, directed and empowered to execute the Extension to the Exclusive Agreement for Services as attached hereto.

SO RESOLVED, this 17th day of August, 2010.

CITY OF WAYCROSS, GEORGIA

BY: CLARENCE BILLUPS, MAYOR

ATTEST:
JULIE C. DINKINS, CITY CLERK

Commissioner Diane Hopkins made the motion to Approve the Resolution of the City of Waycross to Extend Exclusive Agreement with Southland Waste for Residential Garbage Services as presented. Commissioner Daniel Yarbrough seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted favorably and the motion carried with a 4-0 vote.

Following closing remarks, the meeting was adjourned by motion from Commissioner Marian Solomon-Gaines seconded by Commissioner Diane Hopkins, all voted in favor and Mayor Billups declared the meeting adjourned.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY: _____
CLARENCE BILLUPS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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