

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING
G.L. Gilleland Council Chambers on 2nd Floor
Monday, September 23, 2019
5:30 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Mike Eason called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Present were Councilmember Jason Power, Councilmember Mark French, Councilmember Stephen Tolson, Councilmember Caleb Phillips, City Attorney Kevin Tallant, City Manager Bob Bolz, City Clerk Beverly Banister, Utilities Director Gary Barr, Public Works Director Trampas Hansard, Planning Director Robbie Irvin, Finance Administrator Hayden Wiggins and Human Resource Manager Donna Blanton.
3. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE:** Invocation and Pledge were led by Councilmember Caleb Phillips.
4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Mayor Eason reminded the Councilmembers the Design Guideline Committee needs additional nominations. He announced one of the public hearings tonight will be postponed but Council would welcome any comments if anyone was here to speak on the matter. Mayor Eason also commented on the progress of Main Street Park and the Farmer's Market and announced the next Food Truck Night will be October 4, 2019.
5. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Motion to amend the agenda by removing item #15 made by C. Phillips; second by S. Tolson. A brief discussion occurred about removing the item from the agenda. Vote carried three in favor (Phillips, Tolson, Power) with one opposed (French).
6. **PUBLIC INPUT:** No comments from the public.
7. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Motion to approve the consent agenda for the following items (a) made by M. French; second by J. Power. Vote carried unanimously in favor.
 - a. Approve Minutes
 - Regular Meeting held September 9, 2019
 - Executive Session held September 9, 2019
8. **EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS:** Mayor Eason and Council presented the September Service Awards to Stan Zaverukha and Steven McNeal for one year of service, Levi Foulks for two years of service and Jacob Barr for eight years of service to the City.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)

9. **ZA-C2000023:** Aseem Qureshi has requested a zoning amendment for the Tract A of TMP 092B 006 004, located at 00 Perimeter Road and consisting of 3.008 acres from R1 (Single Family Residential) to HB (Highway Business). Hearing Date: Planning Commission – September 16, 2019 and City Council September 23, 2019.

Motion to open the public hearing made by J. Power; second by S. Tolson. Vote carried unanimously in favor. Robbie Irvin read the zoning amendment request; Planning Commission denied recommendation. The following person(s) spoke in favor of the request:

- Doug Sherrill, 131 Prominence Ct., Dawsonville – He spoke on behalf of the property owner stating the request to rezone to highway business would be the best and highest use of the property.

Councilmember Power asked if there would be any issue with the recommended stipulations made by staff; Mr. Sherrill said there is no issue with the recommendations.

- Allison Looper Grace, 757 Perimeter Rd, Dawsonville – She spoke in favor of the request stating it would be a good use for the property and felt it would limit additional traffic and congestion to the area.

No one spoke against the zoning request.

Motion to close the public hearing made by C. Phillips; second by M. French. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

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Motion to approve the zoning request with final site plan being approved by the District #3 Councilmember and the Mayor and with the following stipulations:

1. Any proposed security lighting shall be full cutoff, downlight only and shall be placed to avoid light spillage onto neighboring properties.
2. The facility shall not be accessible between 10 pm. till 7 am.

Made by S. Tolson; second by J. Power. Vote carried three in favor (Tolson, Power, Phillips) with one opposed (French).

10. **ZA-C2000021**: Fall Leaf Residential LLC has requested a zoning amendment for a portion of TMP D04 013 and a portion of D04 021 located at 0 Hwy 53 East and consisting of 25.7 acres from CIR (Restricted Industrial) to R6 (Multi Family Residential) Hearing Date: Planning Commission – September 16, 2019 and City Council September 23, 2019.
11. **ZA-C2000022**: Fall Leaf Residential LLC has requested a zoning amendment for a portion of TMP D04 013 located at 00 Hwy 53 East and consisting of 1.00 acres from CIR (Restricted Industrial) to CBD (Central Business District) Hearing Date: Planning Commission – September 16, 2019 and City Council September 23, 2019.

Mayor Eason stated the Planning Commission has held over the public hearing for items #10 and #11 until the DRI review has been completed and will be heard by Council once the Planning Commission has taken action on the items.

12. **ANX-C2000024 and ZA-C2000024**: The City of Dawsonville has petitioned to annex into the city limits of Dawsonville the property known as TMP 080 036 003, located at 1000 Cleve Wright Road and consisting of 32.68 acres, with a request to rezone from County Zoning of RA (Residential Exurban/Agricultural)) to City Zoning of INST (Institutional). Public Hearing Dates: Planning Commission on September 16, 2019 and City Council on September 23, 2019 and October 7, 2019

Motion to open the public hearing made by J. Power; second by S. Tolson. Vote carried unanimously in favor. Robbie Irvin read the annexation and zoning amendment request; Planning Commission approved recommendation. No one spoke in favor or opposition of the request.

Motion to close the public hearing made by C. Phillips; second by M. French. Vote carried unanimously in favor. The items will be heard again and voted upon at the October 7, 2019 meeting.

WORK SESSION

13. **CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESENTATION BY CHRISTIE MOORE**: Christie Moore presented all the ways the Chamber of Commerce supports and promotes tourism in the City of Dawsonville and throughout Dawson County.
14. **SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE CONTRACT RENEWAL AND ESTABLISH SERVICE CHARGE**: Motion to postpone the item to the first regular meeting in October made by M. French; motion dies due to lack of a second. Motion to approve contract with Red Oak Sanitation solid waste collection service for 2020 at \$13.00 per can, per month made by S. Tolson; second by J. Power. Councilmember French stated he does not feel enough time has been allowed to consider the rate. Vote carried three in favor (Tolson, Power, Phillips) with one opposed (French).

Consideration of the City's service charge will be considered at the October meeting.

15. Removed from agenda.

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BUSINESS

16. **GRHOF EVENT PERMIT WITH ALCOHOL, OCTOBER 25-27, 2019:** Motion to approve permit as submitted made by M. French; second by S. Tolson. Vote carried unanimously in favor.
17. **SIDEWALK EASEMENT ACQUISITION FROM PHILLIP ANDERSON AT 112 PERIMETER ROAD:** Motion to approve the acquisition of the easement as presented in the amount of \$12,000 to be paid out of SPLOST VI funds made by J. Power; second by C. Phillips. Vote carried unanimously in favor.
18. **CUSTOMER APPRECIATION WEEK, OCTOBER 7-11, 2019:** Motion to approve as presented with funding as planned in the FY2020 budget made by S. Tolson; second by J. Power. Vote carried unanimously in favor.
19. **ONE-WAY ACCESS STREET TO CITY HALL:** Motion to approve closing the one-way access road into the City Hall property made by S. Tolson; second by C. Phillips. Vote carried unanimously in favor.
20. An Ordinance To Amend The Alcohol Ordinances Of The City By Repealing The Existing Chapter Three-Alcoholic Beverages Of The Code Of The City Of Dawsonville In Its Entirety And Enacting A New Chapter Three-Alcoholic Beverages; And For Other Purposes. (First Reading: September 23, 2019; Second Reading and Adoption: October 7, 2019)

Attorney Tallant read the first reading of the ordinance amendment; second reading and adoption will be at the October 7, 2019 meeting.
21. An Ordinance To Amend Section 2-110 To Provide For Proper References To Chapter Three; To Provide New Fees For Various Alcoholic Beverage Licenses And Permits; To Correct The Fee Associated With Insurers To Comply With State Law; And For Other Purposes. (First Reading: September 23, 2019; Second Reading and Adoption: October 7, 2019)

Attorney Tallant read the first reading of the ordinance amendment; second reading and adoption will be at the October 7, 2019 meeting.

STAFF REPORTS

22. BOB BOLZ, CITY MANAGER:

- Engineering is complete and bid will soon be ready to go out for the sidewalk project along Perimeter Road connecting Rainhill subdivision to Downtown.
- Main Street Park is progressing with the full installation of the playground, final paving and the repair of the curbs and gutters. Grass has been planted; waiting for rain to help it grow. Georgia Power will be finishing the underground utilities for street lighting and will be installing the streetlights within four to five weeks. The landscape and fencing crew will start when Georgia Power is complete. Discussions are being held for the restrooms.
- Farmer's Market is progressing quickly. Paving is complete, landscaping will start shortly, restroom is being erected and pavilion will be started once the timber arrives.
- Signs for MSP and the Farmer's Market were presented with costs. Bolz requested feedback from Council regarding the styles so he can proceed with ordering them. The entryway arch sign estimate is \$40,000 and will need to go out for bid.

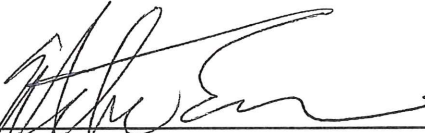
23. **HAYDEN WIGGINS, FINANCE ADMINISTRATOR:** Financial reports representing fund balance and activity provided through August 30, 2019. No questions or comments from Council.

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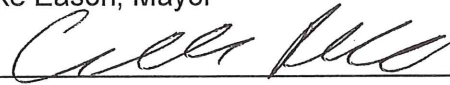
ADJOURNMENT:

At 6:48 p.m. a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by M. French; second by S. Tolson. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

By: CITY OF DAWSONVILLE



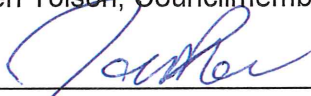
Mike Eason, Mayor



Caleb Phillips, Councilmember Post 1

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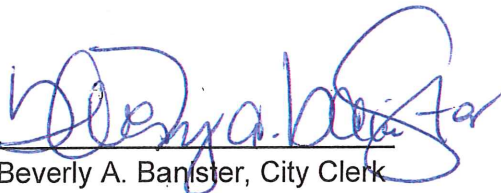
Stephen Tolson, Councilmember Post 2



Jason Power, Councilmember Post 3



Mark French, Councilmember Post 4

Attested: 

Beverly A. Banister, City Clerk