

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AND WORK SESSION
G.L. Gilleland Council Chambers, City Hall 2nd Floor
Monday, November 16, 2020
5:00 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Mike Eason called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Present were Councilmember John Walden, Councilmember Mark French, Councilmember Caleb Phillips, Councilmember Stephen Tolson, City Attorneys Dana Miles, Kevin Tallant and Jonah Howell, City Manager Bob Bolz, City Clerk Beverly Banister, Public Works Director Trampas Hansard, Planning Director David Picklesimer, Finance Administrator Hayden Wiggins, Human Resource Manager Donna Blanton and Utilities Crew Chief Jacob Barr.
3. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE:** Invocation and Pledge were led by Councilmember Walden.
4. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Mayor Eason announced the City Council will meet jointly with the Dawson County Board of Commissioners on 11/17/2020 to discuss SPLOST VII.

Mayor Eason announced there will be a small reception after the meeting for Gary Barr's retirement.

Mayor Eason announced the FY 2020 audit presentation will occur in December this year instead of November due to delays related to COVID.

Mayor Eason announced the annual tree lighting and parade will be held on Friday, December 4, 2020.
5. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:** Motion to approve the agenda as presented made by S. Tolson; second by J. Walden. Vote carried unanimously in favor.
6. **PUBLIC INPUT:** No comments from the public.
7. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Motion to approve the consent agenda for the following items (a, b) made by S. Tolson; second by C. Phillips. Vote carried unanimously in favor.
 - a. Approve Minutes
 - Regular Meeting held November 2, 2020
 - Executive Session held November 2, 2020
 - b. Approve 2021 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) ***Approve acceptance of the grant for \$32,849.72 and the City's 30% match of \$9,854.92 to mill, pave and stripe Memory Lane and to rollover the funds into FY 2022 to combine two years of LMIG funding to fund this project.***
8. **EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION:** City Manager Bolz introduced the new utilities employee, Kyle Richardson. Mayor and Council welcomed him to the City.

Mayor and Council recognized Gary Barr's 30 years of service with the City and presented him with a plaque. They also congratulated him on his retirement from the City.

PUBLIC HEARING

9. **ANX C2100043 and ZA C2100043:** Allen Street Properties LLC and B & K Turner Family LLP have petitioned to annex into the city limits of Dawsonville the 74.865 acre tract known as a portion of TMP 090 004 001, located at Perimeter Road, with a request to rezone from County Zoning of RSR (Residential Sub Rural) and RA (Restricted Agriculture) to City Zoning of R3 (Single Family Residential). Public Hearing Dates: Planning Commission on September 14, 2020 and November 9, 2020. City Council on November 16, 2020. City Council for a decision on December 7, 2020. **Postponed from September 14, 2020 until November 9, 2020**

Planning Director Picklesimer confirmed that the applicant will be submitting an amendment to their application and Mayor Eason requested the item be postponed until January. He recognizes the public is here to speak and will allow them time to be heard this evening

Motion to schedule a regular meeting of the City Council on January 19, 2021 at 5:00 pm and postpone this request to January 19, 2021 at 5:00 pm made by S. Tolson; second by J. Walden. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AND WORK SESSION
G.L. Gilleland Council Chambers, City Hall 2nd Floor
Monday, November 16, 2020
5:00 P.M.

Motion to open the public hearing made by M. French; second by S. Tolson. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

Planning Director Picklesimer read the annexation and rezone request. Mike Turner, the applicant stated he would prefer to speak once he has heard from the opposing side.

The following residents spoke in opposition to the request:

- Tim and Liz Murdock, 15 Turner Drive, Dawsonville – They stated they will withhold their comments for the January 19, 2021 meeting.
- Michelle Hout, 61 Turner Drive, Dawsonville – She also stated she will withhold her comments until the January 19, 2021 meeting.

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

STAFF REPORTS

10. BOB BOLZ, CITY MANAGER: City Manager Bolz reported on an administrative variance approved by Planning Director Picklesimer at 32 Flowing Trail. He also reported to Council the monthly leak adjustment report totaling \$51.77

11. HAYDEN WIGGINS, FINANCE ADMINISTRATOR: Financial reports representing fund balances and activity provided through October 31, 2020. Hayden also reported the LOST and SPLOST revenue is currently ten percent higher than last year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 5:17 p.m. a motion to close regular session and go into executive session for pending or potential litigation and personnel was made by C. Phillips; second by S. Tolson. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

At 5:27 p.m. a motion to close executive session and resume regular session was made by S. Tolson; second by J. Walden. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

BUSINESS

Motion to amend the agenda to add item #12 Appoint a City Solicitor made by C. Phillips; second by S. Tolson. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

Motion to approve agenda as amended made by S. Tolson; second by C. Phillips. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

12. Motion to appoint Jonah Howell as the City's Solicitor which will be funded out of the FY 2021 General Fund Budget made by S. Tolson; second by C. Phillips. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

ADJOURNMENT:

At 5:32 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

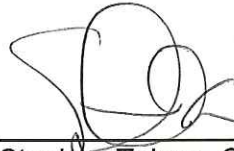


Mike Eason, Mayor

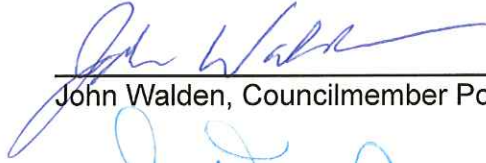


Caleb Phillips, Councilmember Post 1

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AND WORK SESSION
G.L. Gilleland Council Chambers, City Hall 2nd Floor
Monday, November 16, 2020
5:00 P.M.




Stephen Tolson, Councilmember Post 2



John Walden, Councilmember Post 3



Mark French, Councilmember Post 4

Attested:  Deputy City Clerk for
Beverly A. Banister, City Clerk

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF DAWSON

AFFIDAVIT OF THE CITY OF DAWSONVILLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor Michael Eason, Councilmember John Walden, Councilmember Caleb Phillips, Councilmember Stephen Tolson, and Councilmember Mark French; being duly sworn, state under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge and belief:

1. The City of Dawsonville Council met in a duly advertised meeting on November 16, 2020.
2. During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.
3. The executive session was called to order at 5:17 p.m.
4. The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law: (check all that apply)

Consultation with the City Attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the City or any officer or employee or in which the City or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1);

Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(2) and _____;

Discussion of future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1);

Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a City officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(2);

Other _____ as provided in: _____.

This 16th day of November 2020; By the City of Dawsonville, Mayor and Council:



Mike Eason, Mayor



Caleb Phillips, Councilmember Post #1



Stephen Tolson, Councilmember Post #2

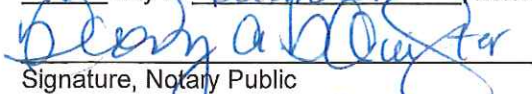


John Walden, Councilmember Post #3



Mark French, Councilmember Post #4

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
16 day of December 2020.



Signature, Notary Public

My Commission expires: Feb 18, 2024

