

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Conyers, Georgia, City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. on May 2, 2012, in the City Council Chambers at 1194 Scott Street, Conyers, GA.

**Roll Call** – Present: Mayor Randy Mills, Council Members Vince Evans, John Fountain, Gerald Hinesley, and Cleveland Stroud. Council Member Chris Bowen was absent.

**Invocation** – The invocation was given by Council Member John Fountain.

**Pledge of Allegiance** – Mayor Randy Mills led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Mayor's Communication** – Mayor Mills welcomed everyone.

**Citizens' Communication** – Syreeta Holden, a resident of Hunting Creek, addressed the Mayor and Council and expressed concern about juveniles loitering in the streets of the subdivision and about dogs wandering the neighborhood. Mayor Mills told Ms. Holden that Chief Wilson and the Community Development Committee would be in touch with her regarding her concerns.

**Agenda Revisions:** There were no agenda revisions.

**Minutes** – Council Member Gerald Hinesley made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 18, 2012 regularly scheduled City Council meeting. Council Member Cleveland Stroud seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Chris Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

**Recognitions:**

1. **Years of Service:** Joshua Martin (who was absent) of the Georgia International Horse Park has five years of service to the City. Juan Morales of the Conyers Police Department was recognized for five years of service to the City. Ken Morgan of the Conyers Police Department was recognized for 15 years of service to the City. Joyce Vodar of the Department of Public Relations and Tourism was recognized for 15 years of service to the City.

**New Business:**

1. **Application for a beer and wine and liquor consumption on premises license (Glynn Edward Chappell, Jr. – O'Charley's, LLC dba O'Charley's #259 – 1289 Dogwood Drive).** Council Member John Fountain presented the application to the Council and stated that all background checks were done and no violations were found, and made a motion to approve. Council Member Vince Evans seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Chris Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
2. **Application for an alcohol beverage special event license – (Derwin Bryan Davis – Davis Entertainment, Inc. – Six Ways 2 Sunday Night Club – 815 Highway 138, Suite 400-500) Event to be held at Stone Mountain Harley Davidson – 900 Dogwood Drive – May 5, 2012 – 9:00 a.m.- ?.** Council Member John Fountain presented the application to the Council and stated that all background checks were done and no violations were found, and made a motion to approve. Council Member Gerald Hinesley seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Chris Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
3. **Application for an alcohol beverage special event license – (Jose Resendiz – Chips & Salsa Mexican Restaurant – 1105-E West Avenue). Event to be held at Chips & Salsa Mexican Restaurant – 1105-E West Avenue, May 5, 2012 – 1:00 p.m.-?.** Council Member John Fountain presented the application to the Council and stated that all background checks were done and no violations were found, and made a motion to approve. Council Member Vince Evans seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Chris Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
4. **Application for an alcohol beverage special event license – (Jackie Sprague – Convers-Rockdale Council for the Arts – 910 Center Street) Event to be held at Corner Market – 1815 Parker Road – June 12, 2012 - 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.** Council Member John Fountain presented the application to the Council and stated that all background checks were done and no violations were found, and made a motion to approve. Council Member Gerald Hinesley seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Chris Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

**Committee Reports:**

- Council Member John Fountain, Chairman of the *Community Development Committee*, reported that work continues in the Community Development Committee regarding the Taxi Ordinance and liability insurance among taxi companies.
- Council Member Vince Evans, Chairman of the *Economic Development Committee*, stated that the Taste of Conyers was held on April 21 and this year had the most ticket sales. He also stated that the Downtown Development Authority continues to search for a tenant for the property at 941 Main Street. Council Member Evans commended the Conyers Convention and Visitors Bureau for their part in producing two new brochures marketing the Historic Heartland Travel Region and Treasures Along I-20 co-op. Council Member Evans also reminded everyone that this coming weekend is the last weekend for the play "Till Beth Do Us Part" at Center Street Arts.
- Council Member Cleveland Stroud, Chairman of the *Public Safety Committee*, reported that the Conyers Police Department had already achieved state certification through the Georgia Association of Chiefs of Police and would be participating in a mock assessment on May 15 and 16 for CALEA, the Commission for Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. Council Member Stroud also reported that Crime Analyst Kim Lucas had represented the CPD by attending a conference with members of the Rockdale County Sheriff's Department and Rockdale County Public Schools in Boston. Council Member Stroud also reported that the CPD has a new four-legged member, a bloodhound named Zane.
- Council Member Chris Bowen, Chairman of the *GHHP, Cherokee Run, BHCNC, and Cemetery Committee* was absent.
- Council Member Gerald Hinesley, Co-Chairman of the *Finance Oversight Committee* and Chairman of the *Transportation and Stormwater Committee*, reported that the Jimi Lane stormwater project would begin in July.

**City Manager's Update** – In City Manager Tony Lucas' absence, Chief Operating Officer David Spann stated there was no update at this time.

**Executive Session** – Chief Operating Officer Spann stated there was a need for an executive session. Council Member Vince Evans made a motion for executive session regarding potential land acquisition and/or sale of land and for the session to include Chief Operating Officer Spann. Council Member Stroud seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members present voted aye. Council Member Bowen was absent. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Attest:



Patricia I. Smith, City Clerk



Randal S. Mills Mayor