

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Conyers, Georgia, City Council was held at 7:05 p.m. on September 1, 2010, in the City Council Chambers at 1194 Scott Street.

**Roll Call** – Present: Mayor Randy Mills, Council Members Marty Jones, Vince Evans, Gerald Hinesley, Chris Bowen and Cleveland Stroud.

**Invocation** – The invocation was given by Council Member Gerald Hinesley.

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

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

**Citizen’s Communication** – No one in attendance addressed the council.

**Agenda Revisions** – There were no agenda revision requests.

**Minutes** – Council Member Cleveland Stroud made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2010, regularly scheduled Council meeting. Council Member Chris Bowen seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members voted aye. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

**Recognitions** – Years of Service to the City: Brian Kirby and Melissa Staton of the Conyers Police Department were recognized for 5 years of service to the City; Bret Harper of the Conyers Police Department was recognized for 10 years of service to the City; Jarrett Norton of the Conyers Police Department was recognized for 15 years of service to the City; and Kim Ford of the Department of Planning and Inspection Services was recognized for 25 years of service to the City. Each was congratulated by the Mayor and Council.

#### **New Business:**

1. **Request to approve an Agreement by and between the City of Conyers and Have An Ice Day Productions, LLC (HAID) for the operation of an ice skating rink in the Olde Town Pavilion located at 949 South Main Street for the 2010-2011 season** – Chief Operating Officer presented the agreement to the Council and asked for their approval. Council Member Chris Bowen made a motion to approve an Agreement by and between the City of Conyers and Have An Ice Day Productions, LLC (HAID) for the operation of an ice skating rink in the Olde Town Pavilion located at 949 South Main Street for the 2010-2011 season. Council Member Cleveland Stroud seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members voted aye. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
2. **Request to approve an Agreement between the Georgia Department of Transportation and the City of Conyers for an Off-System Safety Project. GDOT will fund this project at 100% not to exceed \$249,100** – Council Member Vince Evans presented the agreement to the Council and made a motion to approve an Agreement between the Georgia Department of Transportation and the City of Conyers for an Off-System Safety Project with GDOT funding this project at 100% not to exceed \$249,100. Council Member Marty Jones seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members voted aye. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
3. **Application for a beer and wine retail license – (Tessa P. Jackson – Samiha Enterprises – Shell Food Mart – 1744 Highway 138, N.E.)** – Council Member Gerald Hinesley 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 Chris Bowen seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members voted aye. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
4. **Application for a beer and wine retail license – (Daniel Percy Crump – Comida Bendita – 955 Green Street)** – Council Member Gerald Hinesley 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 Cleveland Stroud seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members voted aye. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

#### **Committee Reports:**

- Council Member Vince Evans, Chairman of the *Transportation Committee*, stated that bids for the Wheeler Park Trail go out September 2, 2010.
- Council Member Marty Jones, Chairman of the *Economic Development Committee* and Co-Chairman of the *Finance Oversight Committee* had nothing to report at the time.

- Council Member Cleveland Stroud, Chairman of the *Public Safety Committee* had nothing to report at the time.
- Council Member Chris Bowen, Chairman of the *Utilities/Stormwater/Big Haynes Creek Nature Center Committee*, addressed the Council and stated that this year's Wildlife Festival was a huge success. He asked Jennifer Bexley, Director of the GHF, to give a report of the Big Haynes Creek Wildlife Festival which was held August 28 and 29, 2010. Ms. Bexley gave a report of the success of this year's festival and stated that this was the biggest year yet.
- Gerald Hinesley, Chairman of the *Finance Oversight Committee* and Co-Chairman of the *Arts Committee*, had nothing to report at the time.

**City Manager's Update** - City Manager Tony Lucas addressed the Council and commended Jennifer Bexley, Director of the GHF, on the success of the Wildlife Festival. He also commended the Conyers Police in their quick response to the recent bank robberies, and the apprehension of copper thieves.

**Executive Session** -City Manager Tony Lucas stated that there was a need for an executive session to include the City Attorney and David Spann to discuss personnel matters and real estate

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Attest:

  
Patricia I. Smith, City Clerk



Randal S. Mills, Mayor