

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Conyers, Georgia, City Council was held at 7:05 p.m. on May 21, 2014, in the City Council Chambers at 1194 Scott Street, Conyers, GA.

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

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 – There was no one wishing to address the Council.

Agenda Revisions: City Manager Tony Lucas stated there were no agenda revisions.

Minutes – Council Member Chris Bowen made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2014 regularly scheduled City Council meeting. 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.

Recognitions:

1. City Manager Tony Lucas addressed the Council and stated that Freddie Bell (GIHP), who was absent, has had five years of service to the City.
2. Chief of Police Gene Wilson addressed the Council and recognized the following:
 - Brandon Oglesby, a CPD Explorer, having been presented the Deputy Brian Mahaffey Memorial Award.
 - Sergeant Peggy Dunn having received the Intern Site Supervisor of the Year Award from the Rockdale County Public School System Work Based Learning Program.
 - Lieutenant Chris Moon being the recipient of the VFW Loyalty Day Officer of the Year Award.
 - Officer Steve Blanchette being awarded the Conyers Police Department Life Saving Award.

New Business:

1. **A request to amend Title 10 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Conyers by creating Chapter 4 Motorized Carts, Personal Transportation, Low Speed and Other Vehicles; to designate public streets; to provide for places of crossing public streets; to provide for registration requirements; to provide for licensing requirements; to provide for rules of operation; to provide definitions; to provide for severability; to provide for an effective date; to repeal all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith; and for other purposes.** Council Member John Fountain presented Ordinance No. 962 to the Council for the first reading. Mayor Mills opened the item for discussion. Kathy Lawrence, Tom Harrison, and Mary Blount each addressed the Council regarding their concerns/support of golf carts. After discussion of those in favor of and those against, Council Member Fountain stated that the second reading of the ordinance will be at the June 4, 2014 Council meeting.
No action was taken.
2. **Request approval of an agreement between the City of Conyers and Bunnell-Lammons Engineering for environmental services for FY 2014-2015 at the Miller Bottom Road Landfill. Services will include semi-annual groundwater reporting for a cost of \$5,000. Also includes in the Interim Corrective Measures (ICM) and Action of Corrective Measures (ACM) consulting for revisions to the ACM report estimated at \$25,000. Total estimated cost for FY 2014-2015 is \$30,000. Exhibit I shows the estimated cost for future action items of the ACM process.** Director of Public Works & Transportation Brad Sutton presented the agreement to the Council and asked for Council’s approval. Council Member Gerald Hinesley made a motion to approve the request. 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.
3. **Request approval of a contract agreement in the amount of \$1,143,853.55 between the City of Conyers and Gregory Bridge Co., Inc. This contract is for, but not limited to, the re-construction and improvements to roadway, drainage and sidewalks on Railroad Street. Gregory Bridge was the lowest bidder.** Council Member Gerald Hines presented the request to the Council and made a motion to approve. Council Member Vince

Evans seconded the motion. Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members voted aye. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.

4. **Appointment of Wilbur Yaun to the Conyers Housing Authority to fill the expired term of David LaMalva.** City Manager Tony Lucas presented the request to appoint Wilbur Yaun to the Conyers Housing Authority for a five-year term beginning September 11, 2013 and ending December 11, 2018 to the Council, and asked for Council's approval. Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve the appointment of Wilbur Yaun to the Conyers Housing Authority. 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.

5. **Application for a beer and wine consumption on premise license – (Edward Abbott – The Urban Moo – 1040 Flat Shoals Road – Conyers, GA 30013).** Council Member John Fountain presented the application to the Council stating that all background checks were done and no violations were found, and made a motion to approve the application. Council Member Gerald Hinesley 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 Gerald Hinesley, Co-Chairman of the *Finance Oversight Committee* and Chairman of the *Transportation and Stormwater Committee*, reported that the work at Sigman and Sarasota is complete, and that a bid for the Irwin Bridge project should be out in about 60 days.
- Council Member Chris Bowen, Chairman of the *GIHP, Cherokee Run, BHCNC, and Cemetery Committee*, reported on upcoming events at the GIHP.
- Council Member Cleveland Stroud, Chairman of the *Public Safety Committee*, gave kudos to the Conyers Police Department.
- Council Member Vince Evans, Chairman of the *Economic Development Committee*, reported that today was the last day of filming in Olde Town for about two months. He also reported that filming of "Selma" will begin at the Rockdale County Courthouse next Friday. Council Member Evans stated that the Taste of Conyers was a success.
- Council Member John Fountain, Chairman of the *Community Development Committee*, stated that an ordinance regarding banners will be brought before the Council at the next meeting.


City Manager's Update – City Manager Tony Lucas addressed the Council and stated that a barbecue was held last week at the Pavilion recognizing our Telecommunicators and Law Enforcement.

Executive Session – City Manager Tony Lucas stated there was a need for an executive session to include the City Attorney to discuss potential litigation.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.


Randal S. Mills, Mayor

Attest:


Patricia I. Smith, City Clerk