

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Conyers, Georgia, City Council was held at 7:10 p.m. on June 2, 2010, in the City Council Chambers at 1194 Scott Street, Conyers, Georgia.

Roll Call – Present: Mayor Randal Mills; Council Members Chris Bowen, Vince Evans, Gerald Hinesley, Marty Jones 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 Welcome – Mayor Mills welcomed everyone.

Citizens' Communication – Ms. Tiffani Howard addressed the Council and gave a presentation on a TV reality show, "Stimulate America" that educates people on how to become a homeowner.

Agenda Revisions – There were no agenda revisions.

Minutes:

1. A motion was made by Council Member Cleveland Stroud to approve the minutes of the May 5, 2010, regularly schedule 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:

- Amanda Jackson, Georgia International Horse Park was recognized for five years of service to the City.
- Jennifer Edwards, Director of Public Relations and Tourism, was recognized for ten years of service to the City.

Each was congratulated by the Mayor and Council.

- Kelly Honea, Communications, (ten years of service to the City) and Gilbert Herring, Public Works and Transportation, (twenty-five years of service to the City) were absent.

New Business:

1. **Public hearing: Public hearing on Justice Assistance Grant Application for the Conyers Police Department** – Chief of Police Gene Wilson addressed the Council and stated that this \$10,774 grant will be used to fund Glock .40 caliber handguns. He also stated that the current guns were purchased in 2000 and needed to be replaced for safety and reliability. Chief Wilson stated that as part of the grant requirements, the grant application must be available for Council review and a public hearing is required for public comment on the use of the grant funds. Chief Wilson asked Mayor Mills to open the public hearing.
Mayor Mills opened the public hearing at 7:20 p.m.
There was no one wishing to address the Council.
Mayor Mills closed the public hearing at 7:20 p.m.
No action was necessary to be taken by the Council.
- 2a. **PowerPoint presentation of the proposed FY 2010-2011 budget for the City of Conyers** – Chief Financial Officer Isabel Rogers gave and PowerPoint presentation of the proposed FY 2010-2011 budget for the City of Conyers.
- 2b. **Public hearing: First reading of Ordinance No. 801 adopting an annual budget for the City of Conyers for Fiscal Year 2010-2011** – Chief Financial Officer Isabel Rogers presented Ordinance No. 801 adopting an annual budget for the City of Conyers for Fiscal Year 2010-2011. She stated that this is the first of two public hearings on the proposed FY 2010-2011 budget for the City of Conyers; and asked Mayor Mills to open the public hearing.
Mayor Mills opened the public hearing at 7:50 p.m.
There was no one wishing to address the Council.
Mayor Mills closed the public hearing at 7:50 p.m.
No action was necessary to be taken by the Council.
3. **Request for Mayor and Council to approve a contract between the City of Conyers and Curb Specialists, Inc. for parking lot improvements at the Olde Town Parking Lot for a cost not to exceed \$95,430** – Council Member Vince Evans presented the contract between the City of Conyers and Curb Specialists, Inc. for parking lot improvements at the Olde Town Parking Lot for a cost not to exceed \$95,430, and made a motion to approve the contract. 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. Request to adopt Ordinance No. 799 to comply with the Georgia Erosion and Sedimentation Act to incorporate the 2009 amendments as adopted by the State of Georgia – Council Member Gerald Hinesley presented the request to the Council to adopt Ordinance No. 799 in order to comply with the Georgia Erosion and Sedimentation Act to incorporate the 2009 amendments as adopted by the State of Georgia, and made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 799 and waive the second reading. 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.
5. Request to approve Ordinance No. 800 (Peddlers Ordinance) to amend Chapter 4, Title 9, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Conyers, Georgia, to amend definitions and require compliance with zoning classifications – Council Member Gerald Hinesley presented the request to the Council to approve Ordinance No. 800 to amend definitions and require compliance with zoning classifications, and made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 800 and waive the second reading. 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.
6. Application for a beer, wine and liquor consumption on premises – (Brandon Taylor – RARE Hospitality, Inc. DBA Longhorn Steakhouse #5362 – 1294 Iris Drive, S.W.) – Council Member Gerald Hinesley presented the application from Brandon Taylor for a beer, wine and liquor consumption on premises license for RARE Hospitality, Inc. DBA Longhorn Steakhouse #5362 – 1294 Iris Drive, S.W. Council Member Hinesley stated that all background checks were done and no violations were found, and made a motion to approve the application. 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.
7. Application for a beer and wine retail license – (Mohamed Maruf Hasan – South Asian Kings, Inc. DBA Mobil Food Mart – 1085 Irwin Bridge Road) – Council Member Gerald Hinesley presented the application from Mohamed Maruf Hasan for South Asian Kings, Inc. DBA Mobil Food Mart – 1085 Irwin Bridge Road. Council Member Hinesley stated that all background checks were done and no violations were found, and made a motion to approve the application. 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*, gave an update on the Eastview/Sigman intersection project, as well as the Northside Drive gateway.
- Council Member Marty Jones, Chairman of the *Economic Development Committee* and Co-Chairman of the *Finance Oversight Committee*, reported that “The Rag Owl”, a clothing store, has opened in Olde Town. He also reported that Neal Lang has started a new monthly newspaper, “Olde Town Times” which reports positive stories about Olde Town Conyers. Council Member Jones reported also that a mural has been painted in the alcove between 921 and 923 Commercial Street, which was sponsored by the DDA and the Main Street Board.
- Council Member Cleveland Stroud, Chairman of the *Public Safety Committee*, did not have anything to report at this time.
- Council Member Chris Bowen, Chairman of the *Utilities/Stormwater/BHCNC Committee*, did not have anything to report at this time.
- Council Member Gerald Hinesley, Co-Chairman of the *Finance Oversight Committee* and Co-Chairman of the *Arts Committee*, did not have anything to report at this time.

City Manager’s Update – City Manager Tony Lucas stated that there will be a called City Council meeting on June 30, 2010 to finalize the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 budget.

Executive Session – City Manager Tony Lucas addressed the Council and stated that an executive session to include the City Manager was needed to discuss a personnel matter. Council Member Marty Jones made a motion to go into executive session to include the City Manager to discuss a personnel matter. 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.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Attest:



Patricia I. Smith, City Clerk



Randal S. Mills, Mayor