

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Conyers, Georgia, City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. on October 15, 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 Welcome – Mayor Mills welcomed everyone and recognized Boy Scout Dustin Dorman who is working towards obtaining the rank of Eagle Scout.

Citizens' Communication – There was no one wishing to address the Council.

Agenda Revisions: There were no agenda revisions.

Minutes – Council Member Chris Bowen made a motion to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2014 regularly scheduled City Council meeting. 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.

Recognitions: Chief of Police Gene Wilson recognized Chase Bagwell (Police Department) for five years of service to the city. Chief Wilson also recognized Chris Moon (Police) for ten years of service to the city.

New Business:

1. **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 2014-2015 season.** Director of Public Relations and Tourism Jennifer Edwards presented the Agreement to the Council and asked for Council's approval. Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve the 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 2014-2015 season. Council Member Cleveland Stroud seconded the motion. After discussion, Mayor Mills called for a vote of the Council. All members voted aye. Mayor Mills declared the motion carried.
2. **Request to approve Ordinance No. 972 to amend Title 8, Chapter 2, Building Regulation and Code Enforcement of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Conyers by creating Article N, Vacant and Foreclosed Property; to provide for vacant and foreclosed property registries; to provide for definitions; to provide for exemptions; to provide for maximum fees and penalties for registration and failure to register; to provide for appellant rights; to provide for severability; to provide for an effective date; to repeal conflicting ordinances; and for other purposes.** Director of Planning and Inspection Services Marvin Flanigan presented Ordinance No. 972 to the Council regarding vacant and foreclosed property, and asked for Council's approval. After discussion, Council Member John Fountain made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 972 and waive the second reading. 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.

3. **Request ratification of an application for beer and wine retail sales license – (Sam Philip, Future Oil II, LLC, DBA Pantry Corner Conyers, 1165 Irwin Bridge Road, Suites A & B, Conyers, GA 30012).** Council Member John Fountain presented the request 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 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*, had nothing to report.
- Council Member Chris Bowen, Chairman of the *GIHP, Cherokee Run, BHCNC, and Cemetery Committee*, reported that the Miller Lite Chili Cook-off and the State Championship Barrel Racing were recently held at the GIHP. He also reported that Bob Bell will be at the GIHP for two weeks in November.

- Council Member Cleveland Stroud, Chairman of the *Public Safety Committee*, reported that Target has given the CPD a \$2,000 grant for the Explorers. He also reported that a Public Safety Award will be given to Officer Stephen Blanchette on December 17 in a ceremony with Governor Deal.
- Council Member Vince Evans, Chairman of the *Economic Development Committee*, reported that they are very close to naming a Main Street Manager. He also reported that the Olde Town Fall Festival will be October 25 and, that at present, there is no filming taking place in Olde Town.
- Council Member John Fountain, Chairman of the *Community Development Committee*, had nothing new to report.

City Manager's Update – City Manager Tony Lucas addressed the Council and reported that a letter had been received from the Chamber of Commerce commending the Cherokee Run staff for their professionalism and courtesy assistance shown them at their recent golf tournament. He also reported that on October 23 and 24 the Kevin Milwood Golf Tournament will be held at Cherokee Run with the proceeds going to the Sheriffs' Youth Home. City Manager Lucas also reported that the executive staff from Classic Center in Athens recently toured the GIHP and wants to partner with the GIHP.

Executive Session – City Manager Tony Lucas stated there was no need for executive session.

There being no further business to come before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



Randal S. Mills, Mayor

Attest:



Patricia I. Smith, City Clerk