

Regular Meeting of Mayor and City Council
January 25, 2010
7:30 PM
Fire Department Bay at 100 Lakeshore Drive

CALL TO ORDER-Mayor Jim Still called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Jim Still, Council Members John McLaughlin, Don Carlson, Scott Hegg, Bill Schmidt, and Marvin Penick, City Attorney, Brandon Bowen, and City Clerk, Karen Segars.

Not present: Council Member Bob Douds.

DISPOSITION OF ABSENCES-None

FINANCIAL REPORT

Ms. Segars presented the following:

Ending Bank Balances as of 12/31/09:

General Fund	\$200,542.25
Enterprise Fund	\$534,403.05
Court	\$ 5,369.09
Lake Restoration	\$202,586.52
SPLOST	\$ 20,191.00
TOTAL	\$963,091.91

Performance for the month of December:

Revenues General Fund:	\$ 80,964.85
Expenses General Fund:	\$ 76,270.36
Net Income:	\$ 4,694.49

Revenues Enterprise Fund:	\$ 22,048.50
Expenses Enterprise Fund:	\$ 15,957.96
Net Income:	\$ 6,090.54

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Schmidt to waive the reading of the Regular Council Meeting of December 29, 2009.
2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0.

Motion by Schmidt to adopt the minutes from December 29, 2009. 2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0.

Motion by Schmidt to waive the reading of the Special Called Meeting of January 6, 2010. 2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0.

Motion by Schmidt to adopt the minutes of the Special Called Meeting of January 6, 2010. 2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0.

ADOPT MEETING AGENDA

Motion by Schmidt to adopt the agenda as presented. 2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. MPVFR Expenditures

Line item #1011102-routine scheduled maintenance-fire program support-\$595

Line item #0921208-regulatory-animal control-\$553.64

Line item #0923851-regulatory-police & fire-\$2,250

Line item #1023100-insurance-worker's comp-\$2,041

Line item #1011102-routine scheduled maintenance-extinguisher inspection & service-\$242.95

Line item #1022203-unscheduled repairs & maintenance-seat belts-\$237.89

Schmidt moved to adopt and approve the consent agenda. 2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Still introduced the newest council members Scott Hegg-Chair of Lakes/Parks/Recreation and Don Carlson-Chair of Administrative/Legal/Finance committees. He also stated Bill Schmidt was Mayor Pro Tem and thanked John McLaughlin for his service two years prior as same.

Still advised the film industry has a renewed interest in North Fulton and the NFMA was requesting an inventory of items of interest from each city by March 1 and asked for citizen participation.

Still advised Fulton County had submitted a budget with a \$27.1 million deficit. He advised various Fulton County information would be included in future newsletters. He also provided council with research information regarding the recreation of Milton County, as compiled by Lynne Riley. He also noted state revenues would be down by approximately 22%.

Still stated the city had contributed \$10,000 SPLOST funding to Cherokee County Water & Sewerage Authority for the installation of a six inch waterline and a fire hydrant on Cardinal Cove. Schmidt advised it would also provide an additional water source at some point in time.

1. Resolution #R-059-10 Requesting State Legislation to Reduce the Number of Council

Members and Term of Office

Still stated an ARC study revealed the city is over represented by the number of council members. He further stated reducing the number of council seats should encourage more people to get involved. He noted the term of office could wait. Penick moved to adopt the resolution to submit to Rep. Jan Jones. 2nd by Carlson.

Schmidt asked about the committee structure. Bowen stated that issue could be dealt with during the process and also stated the final legislation could be reviewed before it was passed. Approved 5-0-0.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administration/Legal/Finance

Carlson noted an upcoming meeting.

BZP

2. Variance for 114 Hickory Street

McLaughlin stated committee held a variance hearing for the side setback and existing road frontage on Jan. 14 and recommended approval and moved to approve same. 2nd by Schmidt. McLaughlin amended his motion by stating the side setback was 10 feet and the road frontage was 93 feet. 2nd by Schmidt. Approved 5-0-0.

1. SafeBuilt Contract for Plan Review and Building Inspection Services

McLaughlin advised after the RFP process and interviews with responders that SafeBuilt was the recommendation of committee. Schmidt moved to waive the reading of Resolution R-060-10 authorizing the contract. 2nd by Penick. Approved 5-0-0. McLaughlin noted the advantage of five day a week inspections, the cost of which to be paid by the property owner. He also stated the fees would be switched to valuation data. McLaughlin moved to approve the resolution. 2nd by Schmidt. Approved 5-0-0.

Lakes/Parks/Recreation

Hegg advised the city was still waiting on the judge's rulings on the outstanding motions.

Property

1. Maintenance position

Penick moved to hire Chad Rhyne pending a background check with a 90 day review. 2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0.

Penick stated committee meetings would be held the third Saturday of each month at 10:30 a.m.

Public Safety

Lt. Reeves presented the 2009 MPVFR service report, noting total service hours of 10,636 hours.

Roads & Streets

No report.

Utilities

Schmidt stated the road washout repair was awaiting final approval by FEMA. He advised the Community Building Phase 1 renovation would be complete by March 1.

1. Appeals

Schmidt moved to adjust account 100757 by rolling sewer to average and to charge at tier two rates any usage above 4500 gallons due to pipe break. 2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0.

Schmidt moved to adjust account 100618 water to average for the months of August, September and October due to pipe break. 2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0.

Schmidt moved to adjust account 100193 to base rate for sewer and water to average for the months of October and November due to pipe break. 2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0.

2. Debt Collection

Schmidt moved to authorize City Hall to utilize collection services offered by GMA and their agent Penn Credit. 2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0.

3. SET Mass Meter Swap

Schmidt moved to authorize City Hall and/or their designees to enter into and finalize contract negotiations with Smart Earth Technologies in regards to their mass meter replacement and smart grid system proposals and to authorize necessary legal fees in order to have final authorization to proceed ready for County by the February 2010 utilities, work session and council meeting. 2nd by Penick. Approved 5-0-0.

Schmidt moved to authorize spending of FEMA/GEMA funds in the amount of \$1500 to start phase one of the Spruce Street lot cleanup, with the city share of \$225. 2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0.

AUDIENCE

ADJOURN

There being no further business, Schmidt moved to adjourn. 2nd by McLaughlin. Approved 5-0-0. 8:45 p.m.

Jim Still, Jr., Mayor

Karen Segars, City Clerk