



CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE/WORK SESSION MINUTES
Tuesday, July 17, 2018 @ 6:30 pm
City Hall, 875 Main Street, Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Wheeler opened the work session at 6:43 p.m. following the special called meeting.

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM - present

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE – Councilmember Hollis gave the invocation and Councilmember Wells led the pledge.

READING OF COMMUNICATIONS - none

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA OF THE DAY – This was previously adopted.

CITIZEN COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

- Susan Coletti of 5417 E. Mountain Street brought in a flag for celebration of Chief Rivers' life.
- Joan Monroe of 5499 Woodsong Trace had a handout for the City Manager that she went over concerning safety, trash and debris.
- Sarah Abrams of 905 Gordon Street spoke about a neighbor that was broken in to and her house being broken in to; littering; volunteer group called SMILE.
- Jean Mayden of 5388 Ridge Forest Drive spoke on homeowners with repeated citations; neighborhood looks like a dumpster; renters that do not care and the fire department issuing smoke alarms to citizens for free.
- Alex Brennan of 5387 E. Mountain Street spoke about a new program from the DCA for rural zoned cities. He said there are three tiers for tax investors and they give to ten cities per year.

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION ITEMS

- A. Planning and Zoning - none
- B. Economic Development/Downtown Development Authority – Mayor Pro Tem Johnson gave an update
- C. Historic Preservation Commission - none

STAFF REPORTS

- A. Code Compliance Officer – Sgt. Roseberry – Sgt. Roseberry gave her report and Mr. Hillis' report.
- B. Public Works Director – Jim Tavenner – Mr. Tavenner gave his report and answered questions from Council.
- C. Chief of Police – Chief Troutman – Chief Troutman gave his report.
- D. Visitor center Manager – Kim Cumbie – Mr. Cumbie came in and gave her report after the Farmers Market; Mayor told everyone about the Purple Heart Ceremony on August 14th.
- E. City Clerk – Rhonda Blackmon – Ms. Blackmon gave her report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Consideration of Rock Gym Maintenance – City Manager Thornton gave an update on this item.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Consent Agenda
- B. Composition of Request for Proposal – Solid Waste Management Services – City Manager Thornton gave an explanation.
- C. Hearthstone Subdivision – Permission to Continue Building Subdivision as Previously Approved – Previous Builder CORE Homebuilders – New Builder Unique Homes and Renovations – Council asked questions of James MacDowell with Unique Homes.

NEW ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

- A. Ordinance 2018-07 To Amend Chapter 5, Building Regulations, Chapter 13 Motor Vehicles and Traffic, and Appendix A – Zoning – primarily to reinstate parking regulations omitted in the re-write of Chapter 5 – Mayor Pro Tem Johnson read through the ordinance constituting a 1st read.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- Councilmember Hollis spoke about having goats to clean up the city parks and for residential use as well.

- City Manager went over the expense report for June; the budget review will be on the next work session agenda; spoke about the SPLOST fund; proposal for a new phone system; spoke about the lease/purchase option for a police vehicle; sanitation proposal; vehicle maintenance proposal; new employee in court services; municipal fines and fees caught up in court services; recommending another court calendar; sewer line easement request from a resident.
- Councilmember Mailman spoke on the back-to-school bash, movie and car show coming up. Also spoke about Chief Rivers.
- Shawnette Bryant asked a citizen about Pepperwood.
- ChaQuias Thornton thanked the Mayor for the employee luncheon.

ANNOUNCEMENTS BY THE MAYOR

- None; commended Kim Cumbie on the Farmers Market; mentioned National Night Out.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor called for a motion; Mayor Pro Tem Johnson made a motion; Councilmember Hollis seconded; **motion carried 6/0**; meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm.

Patricia Wheeler, Mayor

ChaQuias Thornton, City Manager