## **CITY OF TWIN CITY GEORGIA**

# THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSIONERS

## **REGULAR MEETING**

August 3, 2021

7:30 P.M.

112 South Railroad Avenue

Twin City, Georgia 30471

## **MINUTES**

**CALL TO ORDER:** 

Mayor Donaldson

7:30 P.M.

Mayor Matt Donaldson

Present

Mayor Pro Tem Jule Bady Jr.

Present

Commissioner Jesse S. Brown

Present

Commissioner Kenton Landon

Present

**Commissioner Charles Moody** 

Present

INVOCATION: Mayor Pro-Tem Bady Jr.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: In unison

Commissioner Brown made the motion to approve the agenda with the following amendment of striking VI(d) and adding VI(e). The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bady Jr. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion to approve the minutes from the July 6, 2021 Regular Meeting and Workshop Session of the Mayor and City Commissioners was made by Commissioner Brown. Commissioner Moody seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion to approve the minutes of the July 19, 2021 Special Called Meeting of the Mayor and City Commissions was made by Commissioner Brown. Commissioner Moody seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

## **Guests: Gary Grubbs-Palm Street concerns**

Mr. Grubbs wanted to be sure that the Mayor and Commissioners were putting the proper piping to fix the drainage issues on his property.

## **Lavelle Pierce - street light**

Mrs. Pierce addressed the Mayor and Commission the lack of street lights in the City. She would like for the Commission to investigate adding more street lights.

#### **Dave Watson- Not Present**

#### **New Business**

A motion to approve to contract with Jeremy Gunn in the amount of \$8,500.00 for Pop Boogie Recreational Complex clearing was made by Commissioner Moody. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bady Jr. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion to approve to contract with Jeremy Gunn in the amount of \$3,500.00 for the Palm Street project. This is a T-SPLOST expenditure. Motion made by Commissioner Landon and seconded by Commissioner Moody. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion to approve Resolution 03-2021 for the Water Meter Replacement Project was made by Commissioner Brown. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Landon. The motion was approved unanimously.

A motion to contract with Ed Akridge and Handi House in the amount of \$10,700.00 for the Pop Boogie Park and Graymont Park pavilion projects was made by Commissioner Landon. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Moody. This is a SPLOST expenditure. The motion was approved unanimously.

## Mayor's Report - Mayor Matt W. Donaldson

Mayor Donaldson asked City Clerk Genia Ducker to brief the Commission on the utility billing change. City Clerk Ducker gave sample billing to the City Commission to display the new look of the city utility billing. Ducker hopes to have the billing change completed by the end of August.

Mayor Donaldson also thanked Lynda Cowart Talmadge for her generous donation to complete the Centennial Mural fundraising.

## Main Street Report - Main Street Program Director Huddie Culbreth

Culbreth thanked everyone that came to the event on July 4<sup>th</sup> at Pop Boogie Park. We are now getting ready for our August event, which is the naming new annual festival. There will be a prize of \$250, which is sponsored by Historic Twin City Georgia, Inc., for the name chosen for the

## **Public Works Department Report**

Commissioner Brown stated that the project on Lee Street should be completed next week. Mayor Donaldson has asked for assistance from the Board of Commissioners. The City has ordered the pipe and all materials are on hand to complete the project.

## **Finance Report**

Mayor Donaldson read aloud the fund balances, with the fund balance being \$1,070,840.88 as of end of July 2021.

## **Recreation Department Report**

Commissioner Landon stated that he is working to get the fencing up at Graymont Park and Pop Boogie Park, which was approved in the July 2021 meeting.

## **Fire Department Report**

Fire Chief Foster Grimes gave an update on the ISO evaluation and process. The Commission reviewed the monthly activity report.

#### Executive Session - Personnel

The motion to enter Executive Session was made by Commissioner Brown and seconded by Commissioner Landon. The motion was approved unanimously.

The motion to exit Executive Session was made by Commission Brown and seconded by Commissioner Moody. The motion was approved unanimously.

There was no action taken by the Commission.

### Adjournment

Commissioner Brown made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Landon seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned.



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## **WORKSHOP SESSION**

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### **MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Donaldson 6:30 P.M.

#### Presentation from Police Chief Hank Whiters

Chief Whiters gave the Mayor and City Commission a monthly report to review. Chief stated that the department needs at least 5 new vehicles, and Chief's car needs a radio. Chief will check on some pricing for vehicles. Mayor Donaldson asked for an inventory of the Police Department vehicles, and the Commission would act on the needs in September 2021 meeting,

#### Presentation from Fire Chief Foster Grimes on ISO evaluation

Fire Chief Grimes stated there are no updates. We are waiting on results of the evaluation.

## Discussion of quote for the clearing of Pop Boogie Recreational Complex

The Commission reviewed (2) quotes from Jeremy Gunn for the clearing of Pop Boogie Park grounds. The clearing would enable more space for parking and activities. The (2) quotes totaled \$8,500.00. The Commission agreed this was a needed project.

The Commission reviewed the quotes presented for the pavilion projects. The Commission discussed the new pavilions and cemented foundations at Graymont Park and Pop Boogie Park. This will be added as VI(e) on the agenda to approve for Ed Akridge and Handi House to install the new pavilions.

## Discussion of quote for Palm Street drainage issues.

Mayor and Commission reviewed the quotes to repair drainage issues on Palm Street. Jeremy Gunn submitted a quote for the work, which was \$3,500.00. Mayor Donaldson will have the City Engineer to apply for any permits needed for this project.

# Discussion of resolution of final application to GEFA State Fiscal Recovery Fund for sewer system infrastructure improvements

The City was approved for \$341,000.00 for funding from GEFA to completely replace all meters in the City. The City qualified for 40% in loan forgiveness, which equates to \$136,400.00. The remaining loan balance of \$204,600.00 will be financed over 20 years at 0.13%. The new meters will be remote-read and will greatly streamline monthly utility billing.

## Discussion of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) allocation of \$635,215.00 and budget planning

The Commission discussed the potential uses of the City's ARPA funds. The potential projects discussed were matching funds for the 2021 CDBG water infrastructure project, installation of cut-off system for water supply, fire hydrant survey and rehabilitation, and sewer system rehabilitation. The Commission agreed the sewer system repairs are priority.

# Discussion of application to the State Fiscal Recovery Fund for sewer system in infrastructure improvements

The Mayor is seeking additional state funding from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund to complete the needed repairs to the sewer system. The Mayor has engaged City Engineer John McClellan to get cost estimates to complete the project. Mayor Donaldson hopes to complete this needed project with a portion of the City's ARPA allocation and this grant opportunity.

## **Discussion of SPLOST Budget amendments**

Mayor Donaldson asked for this item to be tabled until the September meeting.

## **Discussion of City Centennial programming**

The July 4, 2021 event was a success. We now are working on our next event in August.

Approval by the Mayor Mayor Matt W. Donaldson

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Submitted By: City Clerk Eugenia A. Ducker



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