CITY OF TWIN CITY GEORGIA

THE MAYOR AND THE CITY COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING

September 3, 2019

7:30 PM

112 South Railroad Avenue

Twin City, Georgia 30471

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Donaldson 7:34 P.M.

Mayor Matt Donaldson Present

Commissioner Jesse Brown Present

Commissioner Artie Fields Present

Commissioner Jule Bady Jr. Present

INVOCATION: Chief Randal J Beach

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: In unison

Mayor pro tem Fields made a motion to approve the agenda with the striking of item C, the approval of the archaeology study for the 2019 LWCF Grant for the Carilee Coleman Park project, from the agenda. Commissioner Bady seconded the motion; motion approved.

A motion to approve the minutes from the August 6, 2019 Regular Meeting and Workshop Session of the Mayor and City Commission was made by Mayor pro tem Fields. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bady; motion approved.

Guests: None

New Business

A motion to approve the contract with CJT Software, Inc. was made by Mayor pro tem Fields. Commissioner Bady seconded the motion; motion approved.

Mayor's Report - Mayor Matt W. Donaldson

We have received another reimbursement check from FEMA in the amount of \$10,000, a few months ago we received \$4,000.

The city has been awarded the \$750, 000 CDBG, Community Development Block Grant. This is one of the first grants that we applied for after the city became audit compliant.

The Carilee Coleman Park tree cutting should take place soon.

The contractor has begun the window replacement at the old city jail and has discovered some rottening in the window seals. The repair price will increase due to the need to rebuild the window frames.

Main Street Report - Main Street Program Director Huddie Culbreth

Ms. Culbreth has applied for a \$10,000 grant from Historic Georgia Trust, this grant will aid in renovating the John Rountree Cabin.

Trunk O' Treat is the next scheduled event and Ms. Culbreth is asking everyone to participate.

Streets & Roads Department/ Water & Sewer Department Report – Commissioner Jesse S. Brown

Everything is good, except for the King Street pump needing to be replaced at the cost of \$5, 485.

Finance Report - Mayor Matt W. Donaldson

Mayor Donaldson read aloud the fund balances with the grand total being \$500, 799.14.

Recreation Department Report - Mayor Matt W. Donaldson

Twin City teams are practicing football at the recreation complex.

Fire Department Report - Commissioner Jule Bady, Jr.

Chief Grimes was present and presented that everything is going well.

Police Department Report - Mayor Pro Tem Artie L. Fields

Mayor pro tem Fields commended Chief Beach and the Twin City Police Department on their performance. Commissioner Fields also commended the staff at City Hall and the Police Department for their abilities to communicate and work well together. He is proud of the department's public appearance.

Executive Session – Personnel

A motion was made by Mayor pro tem Fields to enter executive session. Commissioner Bady seconded the motion; motion approved.

Mayor pro tem Fields made a motion to exit executive session. Commissioner Bady seconded the motion; motion approved.

Mayor pro tem Fields made a motion to approve the hiring of Jeremy Hopkins at an hourly rate of \$11.50 during the 90-day probation period, thereafter \$12 per hour. The new employee must comply with all hiring requirements in the City's personnel policy. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bady; motion approved.

Adjournment

Mayor pro tem Fields made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Bady seconded the motion; the motion was approved.



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PRE-COMMISSION WORKSHOP SESSION

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Presentation from Police Chief Randal Beach

Chief Beach informed the commissioners that Municipal Court is running efficiently, and that August has been a busy month based on good police work.

Chief Beach stated that there are never less than 1000 vehicles that pass thru the intersection of the school zone. The Chief has witnessed vehicles with children not in child restraints, drivers not wearing seat belts, drivers talking on cellphones. The chief has plans for his department to attend PTO Meetings at the schools. The chief is looking into calming devices, that let's drivers know their speed limit.

We have had a lot of theft in the city. The department has made progress in solving cases. The department is working closely with State and Federal agencies as well as, neighboring cities.

The Chief will be attending GBI training in Valdosta, Georgia.

School traffic is very important to this community.

Discussion of new Police Department software contract with CJT Software, Inc. for records management and municipal court functions

The system that we had been using, (T.I.P.S.) Traffic Information Processing System, had no records management capabilities, we are back to handwritten docket books. CJT has both Municipal Court and Records Management abilities. This is an auto-renew three-year contract and there is no implementation fee. The fee is \$13 per citation, approximately \$10,000 per year.

Discussion of 2019 LMIG Safety Application Plan (SAP) Project

Mayor Donaldson presented the new look for the city's street signs. The signs have been ordered, hopefully the work will be completed in late September or early October.

Discussion of 2018, 2019, and 2020 LMIG projects

The Pre-Construction meeting will take place September 2019.

Discussion of T-SPLOST 2 Projects (2023-2032)

Mayor Donaldson suggested that the commissioners create a list of streets that he thought should be resurfaced in the future, the next 10-12 years. We have a budget of \$848, 000.

Discussion of City participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and 1st reading new Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance

This program allows citizens to receive assistance in the event of a disaster. From Durden Road to King Street there is a small section that is in a flood zone. However, there are no houses on that property because of the wet area.

Discussion of Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Grant for the Carilee Coleman Park project archaeology study and discussion of bids for study

The city has been awarded the \$40,000 grant with the city matching \$40,000. The Historic Preservation Division wants the city to have an archaeology study done on the property because the John Rountree Cabin,

which is on the National Register of Historical Places, is on the property. The cost of the archaeology study is \$10, 227.95. Mayor Donaldson will be contacting the DNR Commissioner to see if there is a possibility that we can avoid having the archaeology study done. Mayor Donaldson would like to strike this item tonight and review this subject in October.

Discussion of application to Georgia Environmental Finance Authority (GEFA) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for the water meter replacement project

If you borrow the money there is a principal forgiveness program, therefore a portion of the principal amount borrowed could be waived.

Discussion of new beer, wine, and alcohol license applicant for Twin City Kwik Pik

The previous applicant that has been previously approved for an alcohol license backed out. There is a new applicant that will be interviewed by Mayor Donaldson and Mayor pro tem Fields on Thursday evening.

Discussion of Hurriane Dorian preparations

Mayor Donaldson met with Emanuel County Emergency Management Team, there is another meeting tomorrow at 1:30 P.M. Storm winds are expected to reach 40 M.P.H., but we are not expecting as many damages as the previous storm.

Mayor's approval

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