



REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Hogansville City Council was held Monday, March 16, 2020.

Call to Order – Mayor Stankiewicz called the meeting to order at 7 pm. Present were Mayor Stankiewicz and Council Members Reginald Jackson, Mandy Neese and Toni Striblin. Also present were City Attorney Jeff Todd, Interim City Manager Lisa Kelly, Planning and Community Development Director Lynne Miller, and Chief of Police Brian Harr. Council Members Marichal Price and Mark Ayers were absent.

Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance – After a called moment of silence, the group stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Council Member Striblin moved that the Agenda for this meeting be approved as presented with the following changes: Under Presentations, delete “1. Employee of the Month – Joe Cummings” and under New Business delete “1. Jimmy McCamey – Family Life Center Inc. – renewal of special use permit conditions.” Both items would be postponed to a future meeting. Also, add as a new “1.” Under New Business: “Covid-19 Decisions.” The motion to amend the agenda as described above was seconded by Council Member Neese.

Discussion: Council Member Jackson asked why the Family Life Center item was being recommended by staff for postponement. Interim City Manager Lisa Kelly responded that this item may draw a crowd, which is not recommended given the Covid-19 situation. Ms. Kelly noted that she has discussed this with Dr. McCamey, who agrees to temporarily postponing the permit renewal request and deadline.

Roll Call Vote: Jackson (Yea), Neese (Yea), Striblin (Yea).

Motion Passed 3-0

Approval of Minutes

Work Session held February 24, 2020

Motion: Council Member Neese moved that minutes of the City Council Work Session held February 24, 2020 be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Striblin.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call Vote: Neese (Yea), Striblin (Yea), Jackson (Yea)

Motion Passed 3-0

Motion: Council Member Jackson moved that minutes of the Regular City Council meeting held March 2, 2020 be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neese.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call Vote: Striblin (Yea), Jackson (Yea), Neese (Yea).

Motion Passed 3-0

NEW BUSINESS

1. Covid-19 Decisions

a) Closing City Buildings to the Public

Motion: Council Member Neese moved that City Hall be closed to the public until further notice, and that the Police Station allow public access in its lobby only. Other City buildings would also be locked. City staff will continue working in the closed buildings. Council Member Striblin seconded the motion.

Discussion: Ms. Kelly noted that Lake Jimmy Jackson has been closed until further notice because people have been stealing all the toilet tissue from the restroom there, and because children who are out of school could start congregating there, to fish off the dock, for instance, which would violate social distance recommendations.

Roll Call Vote: Jackson (Yea), Neese (Yea), Striblin (Yea).

Motion Passed 3-0

b) Paying Employees for Sick Leave

Motion: Council Member Neese moved that City of Hogansville employees be paid sick leave if they are home due to Covid-19, if sick or caring for sick family. Council Member Jackson seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Neese (Yea), Striblin (Yea), Jackson (Yea).

Motion Passed 3-0

c) Utility Credit Card Payment Fees

Motion: Council Member Neese moved that City of Hogansville waive the 3.5% credit card charge for utility payments until further notice, since the card company is letting us drop it. Council Member Striblin seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Striblin (Yea), Jackson (Yea), Neese (Yea).

Motion Passed 3-0

2. Paper Shred Event – Funding

Motion: Council Member Neese moved that Stericycle (Shred-It) be paid \$600 (\$200 per hour for 3 hours), to station a paper shredding truck in the parking lot across from City Hall May 2, 2020, 10 am to 1 pm, for a public paper shred event. Council Member Striblin seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call Vote: Neese (Yea), Striblin (Yea), Jackson (Yea)

Motion Passed 3-0

3. Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Appointments

Motion: Council Member Striblin moved that Brandon Rettke and Manny Karvelas be appointed to the Hogansville Downtown Development Authority to replace Brenda Pritchett Rhodes and Jake Ayers, who have resigned from the DDA, and that John McKibben re appointed to the DDA, with all three appointments as recommended by the DDA. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jackson.

Discussion: It was noted that the DDA received four applications for the three positions. Lynne Miller was asked to invite the fourth applicant, Josh Kilgore, to DDA meetings, where he could possibly contribute to that group's projects and activities.

Roll Call Vote: Jackson (Yea), Neese (Yea), Striblin (Yea)

Motion Passed 3-0

Adjourn

Motion: Council Member Striblin moved that this meeting be adjourned. The motion was seconded by Council Member Jackson.

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Striblin (Yea), Jackson (Yea), Neese (Yea).

Motion Passed 3-0

Mayor Stankiewicz adjourned this meeting at 7:25 pm.

Respectfully,



Lynne S. Miller, AICP
Planning and Development Director
City of Hogansville