



City of Hogansville
City Council
Work Session and Meeting Agenda
Monday, March 7, 2022

**Meeting will be held at Hogansville City Hall,
111 High Street, Hogansville, GA 30230**

Mayor: <i>Jake Ayers</i>	2025	City Manager: <i>Jonathan H. Lynn</i>
Council Post 1: <i>Michael Taylor, Jr</i>	2025	Assistant City Manager: <i>Lisa E. Kelly</i>
Council Post 2: <i>Matthew Morgan</i>	2025	City Attorney: <i>Alex Dixon</i>
Council Post 3: <i>Mandy Neese*</i>	2023	Chief of Police: <i>Jeffrey Sheppard</i>
Council Post 4: <i>Mark Ayers</i>	2023	
Council Post 5: <i>Toni Striblin</i>	2023	* Mayor Pro-Tem

Work Session – 6:00 pm

1. ATV Park Grant Discussion

Regular Meeting – 7:00 pm

1. Call to Order – Mayor Jake Ayers
2. Invocation & Pledge

Consent Agenda

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be approved by one blanket motion.

1. Approval of Agenda: Regular Meeting March 7, 2022
2. Approval of Minutes: February 21, 2022

New Business

1. Sewer Camera Purchase
2. Board Appointments - Troup County Parks & Recreation
3. Askew Park Fence Dedication

Discussion Items

1. Alcohol Ordinance
2. Center for Strategic Planning - Strategic Plan update

City Manager's Report

Council Member Reports

1. Council Member Taylor
2. Council Member Morgan
3. Council Member Neese
4. Council Member Ayers
5. Council Member Striblin

Mayor's Report

Adjourn

Upcoming Dates & Events

- March 15, 2022 – 6:30 pm | Meeting of the Historic Preservation Commission at Hogansville City Hall
- March 17, 2022 – 5:30 pm | Meeting of the Hogansville Planning & Zoning Commission at Hogansville City Hall
- March 21, 2022 – 7:00 pm | Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council at Hogansville City Hall



PERMANENT RECORD

March 7, 2022

Work Session

Meeting held at Hogansville City Hall, 111 High Street, Hogansville GA 30230

Call to Order: Mayor Jake Ayers called the Work Session meeting to order at 6:05 pm. Present were Council Member Michael Taylor, Jr., Council Member Matthew Morgan, Council Member Mandy Neese, Council Member Mark Ayers, and Council Member Toni Striblin. Also present were City Manager Jonathan Lynn, Assistant City Manager Lisa Kelly and City Attorney Alex Dixon.

City Manager Jonathan Lynn began the discussion regarding the proposed ATV trail grant stating the City has been approved to move forward with the second round of grant application. The Proposed 11 miles of wooded trails would be located on the former Hogansville landfill. The ATV trail would mimic Bone Valley Trail in Polk County Florida. A concept plan was shown as part of the discussion showing the approximate area of the trails and nearby properties. The grant requires as close to 12 miles as possible and 50' undisturbed buffer. The main entrance would be at the public works facility with a gated entrance and would not be open for public access at all times. There would be no lighting on or around the trails as it would be a day-use facility for up to four days per week. The total proposed cost of the project is \$874k with a City match of \$181k and in-kind contributions of water and sewer hookups. Operation of the trail would require three part time positions. Liability insurance already covers Lake Jimmy Jackson and will not create any new liability from an insurance standpoint. Should we move forward with the second round of application, a final decision and funding could be announced by end of summer. Environmental assessments will have to be done. Noise assessment will be done. Final approval has not been made by Council and should we be granted the funds it will come before Council for a final vote. The only authorization given at this point is to make initial application.

Council Member Striblin stated the citizens she has heard from are not in favor of it and she works for the Citizens. She would personally love to see it.

Council Member Taylor stated he is also hearing no's. Previous citizen input sessions reflected citizens are not in favor.

Council Member Morgan stated no's far outweigh the yes's.

Council Member Neese stated as many people are in favor as there are against the project. She suggested a public comment session be held. If everyone is against it why waste more money and time.

Mayor Ayers asked if research has been done at Bone Valley for injuries and economic impact. Lynn explained lots of information was provided by Bone Valley to include financials, operations, injury assessments, maintenance, and design. They are on a much larger scale that we are proposing, and their facility is in the County but not in a very urbanized area.

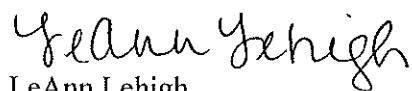
Jason Miles / 816 Askew Avenue – He said he doesn't want to hear dirt bikes all day every day. He feels DNR offers more options than motorized ATVs for this property. They want peace and quiet, not noise.

Melanie Baswell – 129 Lincoln – has concerns of the noise. She would like to see more money for our city but hopes that other ways can be found to utilize those funds. If we move forward, will there be added public safety? She said it takes an hour for an ambulance to get to the school right now. Others worry about trespassing. They Just don't want it in their backyards.

Bob Brown – Product Development Department of Yamaha – Facility in Newnan makes side by sides, ATVs and golf carts. He expressed their 2,000 employees are avid riders and would love to have a place to ride and a place for their product development team to have test tracks. If the City finds a suitable location, they would really like to be a part of it and help with design. It would be a huge advantage to have a test facility nearby.

With no other citizen comments, the Work Session meeting was adjourned at 6:41pm.

Respectfully,



LeAnn Lehigh
Deputy City Clerk



March 7, 2022

Regular Meeting

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Call to Order: Mayor Jake Ayers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Council Member Michael Taylor, Jr., Council Member Matthew Morgan, Council Member Mandy Neese, Council Member Mark Ayers, and Council Member Toni Striblin. Also present were City Manager Jonathan Lynn, Assistant City Manager Lisa Kelly and City Attorney Alex Dixon.

Council Member Morgan gave an invocation and Mayor Ayers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Council Member Neese moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ayers.

Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Yea), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (Yea).

Motion Passed 5-0

CITIZEN COMMENTS

1. Ms. Daisy Rutledge of 202 Ware St. approached the council to voice her concerns that there is a race track every day on Ware St. She is concerned for her safety. She feels the council wasted effort with the stop signs; there should have been speed bumps installed. People drive straight through it. She asked for something to be done about it.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Sewer Camera Purchase

Motion: Motion was made by Council Member Neese to authorize the purchase of the robotic sewer camera system in the amount of \$54,175, funded through SPLOST dollars, to be purchased from P&H Supply. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ayers.

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Yea), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (Yea)

Motion passes 5-0

2. Board Appointments – Troup County Parks & Recreation

Motion: A motion was made by Council Member Striblin to re-appoint Tony Williamson to the Parks and Recreation Board, but the motion failed for lack of a second.

Motion: Council Member Taylor made a motion to appoint Mr. Chon Terrell to the board. Council Member Morgan seconded the motion. Council Members Taylor and Morgan voted yes, Council Members Neese, Ayers and Striblin voted no. The motion failed.

Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Yea), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Nay), Ayers (Nay), Striblin (Nay)

Motion Failed 2-3

Motion: Motion was made by Council Member Neese to appoint Monica Johnson to the Troup County Parks & Recreation Board. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ayers.

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Taylor (abstained), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (Yea)

Motion passes 4-0 with 1 abstained

3. Askew Park Fence Dedication

Motion: Motion was made by Council Member Striblin to dedicate the fence at Askew Park to Bill Stankiewicz and Mary Stewart. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neese.

Discussion: None

Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Nay), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (Yea)

Motion passes 4-1 with Taylor opposed

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. **Alcohol Ordinance** – City Manager Jonathan Lynn explained a request has been made to amend the existing alcohol ordinance in favor of package stores. Package sales are currently allowed in LaGrange and West Point but not in the County. City Attorney Alex Dixon explained package sales would need to be approved through referendum and preceded by a petition of registered voters.

2. **Center for Strategic Planning – Strategic Plan Update** – MaryAnn Lovejoy approached the Mayor & Council to share some of the history of the Center for Strategic Planning and make a proposal to the Mayor & Council for the city participate with LaGrange, West Point and Troup County, along with a match from the Callaway Foundation to split the cost of the study. The cost would be \$14,000 per entity. City Manager Jonathan Lynn stated that the amount we saved on the cemetery paving could be used for the Strategic Plan.

Motion: Motion was made by Council Member Neese to authorize the expenditure of \$14,000 for the Strategic Plan Update. The motion was seconded by Council Member Ayers.

Discussion: None

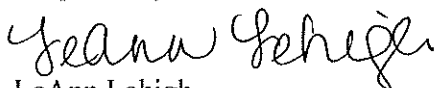
Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Yea), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (abstained)

Motion passes 4-0 with 1 abstained

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Council Member Neese and duly seconded, Mayor Jake Ayers adjourned the meeting at 8:01pm.

Respectfully,



LeAnn Lehigh
Deputy City Clerk