

MINUTES

City Council

Monday, December 7, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.

Call to Order: Mayor Holder welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Devotional & Pledge of Allegiance: Councilmember Jones offered the opening prayer and Mayor Holder invited everyone to join in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Holder said City Council held a Pre-Agenda Session prior to tonight's meeting. He said no decisions were made during the prior agenda session.

Roll Call:

Members Present: Tennyson Holder Mayor, Gwyn Hall, Bowen Jones, Bessie Kicklighter, Durward Motes, Misty Selph, Judy Shuman and Jimmy Spilliards.

Staff Present: Brian Johnson, City Manager; Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Clara Rouse, Finance Director; Pam Franklin, HR Director; Ben Brengman, IS/IT Director; Nathan Mai-Lombardo, Planning Director; David Lyons, Chief of Police; Jimmy Crosby, Fire Chief; Randall Griffin, Public Works Director; Charles Draeger, Water Operations Director and Cliff Ducey, Parks & Recreation Director.

City Council Minutes: Upon motion by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Hall, City Council voted unanimously to approve the November 16, 2009 minutes.

Employee of the Quarter: City Manager recognized Corey Sally, Assistant Finance Director for his hard work and dedication to the City.

Mr. Salley said he enjoys working for the city and thanked the City Manager and City Council Members.

Items for Consideration:

Alcoholic Beverage License Application: City Manager said we have for consideration an alcoholic beverage license application by T. Darren Niven to sell wines, beer and/or malt beverages at Beaver's Movies & Music Inc., 4820 Augusta Road, Garden City, Georgia.

Councilmember Jones made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Shuman, to table Mr. Niven's alcoholic beverage license application for the City Manager to confer with Mr. Niven on his alcoholic

beverage license application. City Council voted unanimously to table Mr. Niven's alcoholic beverage license application.

Alcoholic Beverage License Application: City Manager said we have for consideration an alcoholic beverage license application by Shi He Huang to sell wines, beer and/or malt beverages at Famous Asian Restaurant, Inc., 1450 Dean Forest Road Suite A, Garden City, Georgia.

Upon motion by Councilmember Shuman, seconded by Councilmember Jones, City Council voted unanimously to approve Shi He Huang's alcoholic beverage license application.

Alcoholic Beverages License Manager's Application: City Manager said we have for consideration an alcoholic beverage license manager's application by Fei Chan Huang to sell wines, beer and/or malt beverages at Famous Asian Restaurant, Inc., 1450 Dean Forest Road Suite A, Garden City, Georgia 31408.

Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Selph, City Council voted unanimously to approve Fei Chan Huang's alcoholic beverage license application.

PC0928, Zoning Map Amendment: City Manager said we have for consideration a request by Nathan Dzendzel representing property owner Helen Miltiades to rezone 1469 Dean Forest Road and 1471 Dean Forest Road from R-A to an M "Mixed Use" zoning district.

Councilmember Kicklighter made motion, seconded by Councilmember Selph, to approve the zoning map amendment. Councilmember Hall, Councilmember Kicklighter, Councilmember Motes, Councilmember Selph, Councilmember Shuman, Councilmember Spilliards voted in favor with Councilmember Jones opposed.

City Manager said the second reading of the zoning map amendment will be held at the January 19, 2010 city council meeting.

Resolution - Alcohol Beverage License Renewals: City Manager we have for consideration a resolution to authorize renewal of Garden City alcoholic licenses for the 2010 calendar year; to provide for review and limited investigation of said license holders; and for other purposes.

Upon motion by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Motes, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the alcohol Beverage License Renewals for the 2010 calendar year.

Special Election Resolution: City Manager said we have for consideration a resolution to call a special election to be held on March 16, 2010, to fill the vacancy in the councilperson's seat; to appoint the Board of Elections of Chatham County to perform all the duties of a municipal superintendent of elections during the special election on March 16, 2009, with the exception of the qualification of candidates which shall be the responsibility of the City's Clerk of Council; to establish a qualifying period for running for the vacant councilperson's seat during January 25, 2010, January 26, 2010, and January 27, 2010, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and to set the qualifying fee of \$25.00 for candidates.

Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Shuman, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the special election resolution.

Resolution – Amendment to City Council Meeting Schedule: City Manager said we have for consideration a resolution to amend the regular meeting schedule of the Garden City City Council; to eliminate the December 21, 2009 regular meeting of City Council; to establish a special meeting of City Council on Monday, January 4, 2010 for the purpose of holding the Inauguration Ceremony of City Council Members Elect; to eliminate the January 18, 2010 regular meeting of City Council in observance of Martin Luther King Jr., Day; and to establish a meeting of City Council on Tuesday, January 19, 2010.

Upon motion by Councilmember Shuman, seconded by Councilmember Kicklighter, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the amendment to the City Council Meeting Schedule.

FY09 Budget Amendment Resolution, Confiscated Asset Fund: City Manager said we have for a consideration a resolution to amend the FY09 Confiscated Asset Fund to provide for a supplemental appropriation in the amount of \$10,000 in order to adjust the FY09 budget with respect to the actual expenditure of funds.

Upon motion by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Shuman, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the FY09 Confiscated Asset Fund Budget Amendment Resolution.

FY09 Budget Amendment Resolution, General Operating Fund: City Manager said we have a resolution to amend the FY09 General Operating Fund to adjust for the differences between the previously amended budget and presently projected revenues and expenditure for certain of the City's various budgets.

Upon motion by Councilmember Shuman, seconded by Councilmember Kicklighter, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the FY09 General Operating Fund Budget Amendment Resolution.

FY09 Budget Amendment Resolution, Water/Sewer Enterprise Fund: City Manager said we have for consideration a resolution to amend the FY09 Water and Sewer Enterprise Fund to adjust for the differences between the original adopted budget and presently projected revenues and expenses for certain of the funds various budgeted line items.

Upon motion by Councilmember Jones, seconded by Councilmember Shuman, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the FY09 Water/Sewer Enterprise Fund Budget Amendment.

Resolution – FY2010 Budget Adoption: City Manager said we have for consideration a resolution to adopt the FY2010 Operating and Capital Budgets; to provide appropriation of funds for operating and capital expenditures; and to appropriate funding for specific operating and capital funds of Garden City Government.

Councilmember Selph said the fire protection fees are not included in this budget.

City Manager said the adopted budget will be amended when the Fire Protection Fees Ordinance is adopted by City Council. He said staff is still working to finalize the ordinance.

Upon motion by Councilmember Shuman, seconded by Councilmember Kicklighter, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the FY2010 Operating and Capital Budgets.

Councilmember Selph said this is my last city council meeting. She said I have enjoyed serving on city council and working with everyone.

City Council Members recognized Councilmember Selph for her service.

Mayor Holder thanked the Recreation Department, Fire Department and Police Department for their efforts on the City's Annual Tree Lighting and Christmas Festival. He said approximately 500 people attending this year's event.

Adjournment: Upon motion by Councilmember Selph, seconded by Councilmember Jones, City Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:20 p.m.

Transcribed Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council

Adopted: January 19, 2010