

**MINUTES**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**Monday, May 2, 2016 – 6:00 p.m.**

**Call to Order:** Mayor Bethune welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Opening:** Pastor Daren Russell, Chapel-in-the-Gardens Presbyterian Church offered the invocation and Mayor Bethune invited everyone to join in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

**Roll Call:**

**Members:** Mayor Bethune presided. **Council Members:** Bruce Campbell, Rosetta Cody, Marcia Daniel, Bessie Kicklighter, Debbie Ruiz and Kim Tice.

**Staff:** Ron Feldner, City Manager; Rhonda Ferrell-Bowles, Clerk of Council; James P. Gerard, City Attorney; Ben Brengman, IT Director; David Lyons, Chief of Police; Pam Franklin, HR Director; Cliff Ducey, Recreation Director; Ron Alexander, Planning Director; Blake Hodge, Fire Chief and Charles Draeger, Water Operations Director. Absent: Benny Googe, Public Works Director

Mayor Bethune said City Council held a pre-agenda session prior to tonight's meeting. He said no decisions or votes were made during the pre-agenda session.

**Informal Public Comment:** Mayor Bethune opened the floor to received public comment from the audience.

Mr. Peter Muller, Candidate for Superior Court Judge addressed City Council on his qualifications and asked City Council for their support in the upcoming election.

Mr. Eric Goodwin, Owner/Operator of Pelican Snow Cones said we are a new business in Garden City. He said we are located on Highway 21 where Hertz Rentals used to be. He said we offer gourmet ice in all flavors. He said we strive for a family friendly environment. He said we are very excited about being in Garden City and I would like thank City Council for their support.

There being no further questions or comments, Mayor Bethune closed the informal comment portion of the meeting.

**Public Hearings:**

**Alcoholic Beverage License – Manager's Application:** Mayor Bethune opened the public hearing to receive comment on an application made by Ms. Susan Mondello for an alcoholic beverage manager's license to sell wines, beer and/or malt beverages at Parker's #39, 4219 Augusta Road, Garden City, Georgia.

There being no questions or comments, Mayor Bethune closed the public hearing.

**City Council Minutes:** Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Cody, City Council voted unanimously to approve the city council minutes dated 4/18/16 and workshop synopsis dated 4/25/16.

**Staff Reports:**

HR Director presented the Human Resources Department’s monthly report.

City Manager presented the Public Works Department’s monthly report.

Parks & Recreation Director presented the Parks & Recreation Department’s monthly report.

**City Manager Updates:** City Manager said staff met with representatives from CSX and Norfolk Southern. He said some of the topics discussed include the inconvenience due railroad crossing rehab work, train horns, and quiet zones.

Councilmember Tice asked the City Manager the status of the house on Bowman Avenue. City Manager said the renovation work is 95% complete so we are close to putting it on the market.

**Items for Consideration:**

**First Reading - Ordinance, Zoning Map Amendment (10 Burkhalter Road):** Clerk of Council read the first reading of the heading of an ordinance to amend the zoning ordinance and map of Garden City, Georgia, as amended; to rezone certain property located at 10 Burkhalter Road in Garden City, Georgia, owned by Trans-World Properties, LLC, from its present zoning classification of “R-A” to a “C-2” zoning classification; to repeal all ordinances in conflict herewith; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Campbell, City Council voted unanimously to approve the ordinance on the first reading.

Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Campbell, City Council voted unanimously to suspend the rules of council to hold the second reading of the ordinance.

**Second Reading - Ordinance, Zoning Map Amendment (10 Burkhalter Road):** Clerk of Council read the second reading of the heading of an ordinance to amend the zoning ordinance and map of Garden City, Georgia, as amended; to rezone certain property located at 10 Burkhalter Road in Garden City, Georgia, owned by Trans-World Properties, LLC, from its present zoning classification of “R-A” to a “C-2” zoning classification; to repeal all ordinances in conflict herewith; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

Upon motion by Councilmember Tice, seconded by Councilmember Kicklighter, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the ordinance on the second reading.

**Resolution, Subdivision Variance (214 Salt Creek Road):** Clerk of Council read the heading of a resolution by the City Council of Garden City, Georgia, that a variance from the City’s lot width requirements as if applies to the interior lot of Mrs. Watson’s proposed minor re-subdivision of Lot 2A of the Betty Watson Tract located at 214 Salt Creek Road, be granted provided that all other applicable requirements of the City’s subdivision ordinance are complied with.

City Attorney said City Council is only approving the variance tonight. He said the plat will have to go back to Planning Commission.

Upon motion by Councilmember Daniel, seconded by Councilmember Cody, City Council voted unanimously to adopt the resolution.

**Alcoholic Beverage License – Manager’s Application:** Mayor Bethune said we have for consideration an application by Ms. Susan Mondello for an alcoholic beverage manager’s license to sell wines, beer and/or malt beverages at Parkers #39, 4219 Augusta Road, Garden City, Georgia.

Upon motion by Councilmember Kicklighter, seconded by Councilmember Tice, City Council voted unanimously to approve the alcoholic beverage manager’s license.

Mayor Bethune invited everyone to attend of the National Day of Prayer event at 7:00 a.m. on May 5<sup>th</sup> at City Hall. He said this year’s National Day of Prayer is being sponsored by the Garden City Ministerial Alliance.

**Adjournment:** Upon motion by Councilmember Tice, seconded by Councilmember Campbell, City Council voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:25 p.m.

*Transcribed by Clerk of Council  
Approved by City Council: 5/16/16*