



MINUTES

CALLED COUNCIL WORK SESSION

June 26, 2010, 4:00 pm

2010 Georgia Municipal Association Annual Convention
Savannah, Georgia

Call to Order: The June 26, 2010 Called Council Work Session was called to order by Mayor David L. Jordan at 4:00 pm.

Attendance: Mayor David L. Jordan, Larry Bowen, Kenneth Roach, Mayor Pro-Tem Keith Turman, Wayne Braswell, Clark Williams, Matt Fields, and City Clerk, Gloria Brown.

Work Session Notes:

Mayor, Council, and City Clerk convened in front of the exhibit hall at 4:00 pm; Mayor Jordan asked that the Council committees go through exhibits and bring back any interests on new/different items/vendor services at the table discussion around 5:00 pm.

Mayor, Council, and City Clerk reconvened at 5:00 for a roundtable discussion as follows:

Larry Bowen and Matt Fields reported on their Economic Development class and received many resources to move forward with development that they will be pursuing. Wayne Braswell reported on Conflict Resolution and presented good policies for handling conflicts and problems. Kenneth Roach and Keith Turman discussed many legal aspects they gained from the Law Enforcement Procedures class regarding documentation on complaints, taser use, tort liability cases regarding cities; and the necessity of investigation and follow-up. They also discussed some “best practices” during a lockup situation until the arrest is completed. Mayor Jordan asked Keith and Kenneth to schedule with the police department to discuss these topics. Clark Williams gained his certificate at the end of his Downtown Development Authority class. Clark discussed a better understanding of the limits of the City as described in our code. He also has some new ideas on sidewalk café policies rather than making ordinances; and he discussed that other small cities are having better luck with farmers markets during mid- week and afternoon hours. Gloria Brown discussed the Clerk’s class regarding best payroll practices and new developments of reporting that will be coming up at the first of this year. Mayor Jordan discussed his class on Managing Meetings and Procedures. Mayor and Council will be putting together ideas for a citizen survey to be mailed and ask for citizen input on what they want to see in Royston and for ideas in attracting businesses beneficial to our community.

In other business: Mayor Jordan discussed the Hart County SPLOST meeting that he attended last Monday night and the upcoming meeting on July 15, 2010, encouraging all to attend the meeting if possible.

Adjourn: Kenneth Roach made a motion to adjourn; Wayne Braswell seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:30 pm.

Mayor David L. Jordan

Gloria A. Brown, City Clerk/Financial Manager

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