



REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
December 14, 2010, 6:30 pm

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Call to Order: The November 9, 2010 Regular Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor David L. Jordan at 6:30 pm.

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

Approval of Minutes: Wayne Braswell made a motion to approve the November 9, 2010 Regular Council Meeting; Kenneth Roach seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

Additions or Deletions to Agenda:

1. Set Qualifying Fees for November 2011 General Election – Gloria Brown
2. Health Issues – Don Kelemen

Approval of Agenda: Mayor Jordan asked that Item I become so that it can be heard first; Keith Turman made a motion to approve; Kenneth Roach seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

DDA Update – Candy Ross: Candy advised Council that the Beautification Day was fairly successful; the Christmas Parade and Celebrate the Holidays in Royston were good events and the merchant participation was very good – these events will gain publicity for Royston; still in planning stage for DDA tee shirts; the DDA extends special thanks to Mayor, Council, all City departments, and the Explorers for their help with the holiday events; still working on committees and a design committee has met on some items. Clark Williams asked Chief Donnie Bolemon to accept a donation from the DDA to the Explorers, as they are an outstanding organization, and all are so appreciative of their assistance.

Mayor Jordan gave thanks to all that donated items for Mayors Motorcade and special thanks and recognition to Pharma Tech and Mastercare for their generous gifts to the Motorcade. The Mayor also the DDA for getting Mr. Royston as the Grand Marshall for the Christmas Parade.

New Business:

- A. **Health Issues – Don Kelemen:** Mr. Kelemen presented Mayor and Council printed information on fluoridation and expressed his health concerns. He asked that a referendum question be presented so that Royston residents could vote on the issue. The Mayor and Butch Watson confirmed that the fluoridation process was state mandated and that once started and grant money accepted, that the City couldn't opt out.
- B. **Resolution for Official City Seal and Colors for all Documents and Communication – Mayor Jordan:** Mayor Jordan advised that there are about 3 similar seals that the City uses and he would

like to standardize our logo and colors to appear as the city lapel pin – blue, gold/tan, peach (outline the words Georgia Peach in black). Discussion held. Keith Turman made a motion to proceed with the city seal and gain permission for use of the Ty Cobb name; Clark Williams seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

- C. **Water Meter Policy – Keith Turman:** Keith advised Council that the water committee, city manager, and Butch worked on this policy and he asked Greg Scott to go over the policy. Greg explained that this policy standardizes the policy through SOP; and also sets fees within the policy for tampering, meters, etc. Larry Bowen made a motion to adopt; Wayne Braswell seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0. Mayor Jordan thanked the committee for their work on this policy.
- D. **Outdoor Landscape Watering (BB370) Ordinance – Mike Green:** Mike Green read the ordinance and advised Council this does represent a state mandate.
- E. **Ga. Mountains Regional Commission Proposal to Update Official Zoning Map and Future Land Use Map – Candy Ross:** Candy advised that our current maps expire December 31, 2010 and we have a quote of \$3,500.00 to update these maps; also she has spoken with Faith Jones and Madison County will be added. Wayne Braswell made a motion to approve; Larry Bowen seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.
- F. **Dovetown Road Regulator Station Upgrade – Greg Scott:** Greg advised that the original regulator station was installed to handle the hospital laundry and now several poultry houses have been added and the upgrade is necessary to handle the load. The whole upgrade will run around \$10,000.00. Keith Turman made a motion to approve; Kenneth Roach seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.
- G. **Group Health Insurance Renewal – Wayne Braswell:** Wayne advised that the personnel committee, city manager, city clerk, and Sam Donaldson had met and studied various group health plans and as a result of the study recommends staying with Athens Area Health Plan and changing the plan to H701, due to the present plan premium increase. Discussion held. Larry Bowen made a motion to approve AAHP H701; Wayne Braswell seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.
- H. **Surplus Asset Sale Revenue – Keith Turman:** Keith Turman would like to recommend that the money made on the recent surplus asset sale in the amount of \$11,815.00, be used for new/upgraded Christmas decorations for the City. Discussion Held. Clark Williams made a motion to approve use of the funds to purchase Christmas Decorations and amend the budget for the purchase; Kenneth Roach seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.
- I. **Set Qualifying Fees for the November 2011 General Election – Gloria Brown:** Gloria advised Council that the qualifying fees need to be set so that there is sufficient time to advertise prior to the February 1st deadline. Wayne Braswell made a motion to set qualifying fees at \$35.00; Matt Fields seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

Old Business:

No Old Business.

Executive Session: Matt Fields made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss real estate and personnel; Wayne Braswell seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0. Executive session entered at 7:20 pm.

Kenneth Roach made a motion to reopen the meeting at 8:26 pm; Wayne Braswell seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0.

Adjourn: Clark Williams made a motion to adjourn; Wayne Braswell seconded the motion; motion carried 6-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:27 pm.

Mayor David L. Jordan

Gloria A. Brown, City Clerk/Financial Manager

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