



MINUTES

WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023 – 5:00 PM

WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Waycross City Commission Planning and Information Session was called to order on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at 5:00 pm by Mayor Michael-Angelo James. The meeting was held in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. Present was Mayor James, Commissioners Norman Davis, Katrena Felder, Diane Hopkins, Henry Strickland and Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett.

A. Invocation:

The Invocation was led by Pastor Michael Meyers.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. City Clerk to Read Section 2-66 (a) – Decorum.

Read by Jacqueline Powell

D. Request Motion to Approve Agenda

Motion to approve the amended agenda was made by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Hopkins. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

II. PUBLIC REMARKS ON OFFICIAL ACTIONS

There were no comments on official actions

III. EXECUTIVE DUTIES:

A. Employee of the Month

Interim City Manager, Chief Cox, presented Keisha Orange as the employee of the month.

B. Employee of the Year

Interim City Manager, Chief Cox, presented Sandy Aldridge, as the employee of the year.

IV. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

A. City Manager's Report

There were none at this time.

B. Mayor's Report (To Include Any Public Service Announcements).

Mr. Mayor thanked all the commissioners for supporting him and attending the services for the passing away of his sister. He also thanked them for supporting and participating in the Eggs and Issues Conference. He thanked all that participated the parade.

V. CONSIDERATION OF OFFICIAL ACTIONS:

A. Consent Calendar:

1. Approval of Minutes:

- a. Waycross City Commission Planning and Information Session, Tuesday, January 3, 2023, 3:00 P.M.
- b. Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, January 3, 2023, 5:00 P.M.

2. Ordinance Second Readings: n/a

3. Privilege License Renewals:

- a. Shri 13 LLC dba Wally's, N. Patel, 1565 Ossie Davis Parkway, Waycross, Georgia 31501, Beer and Wine, Package Sales Only
- b. Laxmi Narayan 13 LLC dba Bunky's, C. Patel, 1545 Ossie Davis Parkway, Waycross, Georgia 31501, Beer and Wine, Package Sales Only

- c. Klodiyur 1942 Inc dba Shell City, S. Patel, 507 City Blvd., Waycross, Georgia 31501, Beer and Wine, Package Sales Only

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Seconded by Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett and Commissioner Davis. All voted in favor and the motion was passed

B. Privilege Licenses:

1. Torero Too Mexican Restaurant, K. Miravete, 2470 Memorial Drive, Waycross, Georgia 31501, Beer, Consumption on Premises

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve the Privilege License. Seconded by Commissioner Felder. All voted in favor and the motion was passed

C. Bids:

1. WAYX 23-10 Surplus Property - Fire Dept. Outdated Exercise Equipment

Commissioner Davis made the motion to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Hopkins and Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

2. Bid # FY23-07 Stormwater Utility Surveying Services

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve. Seconded by Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

3. WAYX 23-11 Surplus Land Brunswick Ave Parcel WA0803 085A 0.117 Acres

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve. Seconded by Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

D. Ordinances: n/a

E. Resolutions:

1. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Declare Certain Real Property Described Herein and Located Between Albany Avenue and Brunswick Avenue as Surplus Property; To Authorize Sale to Highest Responsible Bidder; and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve the Resolution. Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett seconded. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

2. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Award Contract to Jackson Surveying, Inc. of Brunswick, Georgia, for Four (4) Stormwater Utility Projects; and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Felder seconded. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

- 3 A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, City Commission To Hold the First Tuesday Meeting in the Month of February 2023, on Monday, February 6, 2023, at 5:00 P.M.; and for Other Purposes

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve the Ordinance. Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett seconded. All voted in favor and the motion carried

VI. LAST CALL and/or ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Davis-would like for everyone to keep his mom in prayer. He congratulated the employee of the month and year for there hard work and dedication. He extended condolences to the Peoples and the Ross family for their loss, as well as Mr. Mayor for the loss of his sister.

Commissioner Felder- she gave thanks to the citizens for allowing their concerns to be heard and coming out to the meetings. She spoke on how great the NAACP Banquet turned out, as well as thanking Mr. Lockey for hosting it. She mentioned the NAACP Parade and how happy she was with the turnout and to Patrick Simmons, the Executive Director of our Waycross Convention & Visitors Bureau.

Commissioner Hopkins-offered condolences to the mayor for the loss of his sister. She also congratulated the employee of the month and the employee of the year. She also gave thanks and appreciation to City Interim, Chief Cox for a great job he has been doing.

Commissioner Strickland- extended condolences to the mayor for the loss of his sister. He gave thanks and appreciation to the department heads for all they do. He thanked Mr. Jason for his attendance.

Commissioner Bennett- She wanted to expressly thank the citizens, Ware Express, Roxy Sheffield and her staff, city employees, commissioners, and the mayor for there kindness during her illness. She asked that everyone continue to pray for all families that have lost loved ones.

Mayor James-stated that he was thankful to the commissioner for there attendance. He thanked Patrick Simmons for the work that he puts in the youth council. He congratulated the two employees on there awards. He gave a special thanks for Pastor Meyers for the invocation and he congratulated the City of Waycross for being recognized and awarded the City of Ethics.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The mayor moved for a motion to adjourn, motion was made by Commissioner Davis and seconded by Commissioner Bennett and Commissioner Strickland. And the meeting was adjourned at 5:37 pm.

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY: + Michael Angelo James
MICHAEL-ANGELO JAMES, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jacqueline Powell
JACQUALINE POWELL, City Clerk

