



MINUTES
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 2024 – 5:00 PM
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Waycross City Commission Meeting was called to order on Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 5:00 pm by Mayor James. The meeting was held in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. Present were Commissioners Diane Hopkins, Mayor Pro Temp, Alvin Nelson and Sheinita Bennett.

- A. Invocation: Mayor Michael-Angelo James

Invocation was led by Mayor James

- B. Pledge of Allegiance
C. City Clerk to Read Section 2-66 (a) – Decorum.

Read by Marquis Nixon, Assistant City Clerk

- D. Request Motion to Approve Agenda

There was a motion made by Commissioner Hopkins, seconded by Mayor Pro Temp, Alvin Nelson. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

II. PUBLIC REMARKS ON OFFICIAL ACTIONS

III. EXECUTIVE DUTIES:

- A. Set Public Hearings

Attorney Rick Currie, notified the Commission of the need to set Public Hearings for the purpose of considering an amendment to the zoning ordinance for 615 Morton Avenue and 817 ½ Glenmore Avenue on Tuesday May 7th at 4:30 and 4:45.

IV. OFFICIAL REPORTS:

A. City Manager's Report

The City Manager spoke of an emergency to have a pump replaced at the water plant, that was struck by lightning. This replacement is considered an emergency and needs a vote for purchase. The first estimate is \$10,206. But is estimated to be a little higher.

There was a motion made by Mayor Pro Temp, Alvin Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. All voted in favor and the motion passed.

Also, he met with Ga. Power regarding the increase in rates that will happen starting July 1st. He will be meeting with Action Pack to help our senior citizens become aware of what they can potentially be qualified for and how to help in areas that they can benefit from doing. Also, there will be a meeting held at the City Auditorium with dates and times TBA to also inform our citizens on how to prepare for the increase.

He also spoke to the commissioners about contacting Patrick Simmons to schedule a town hall meeting their districts.

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

The mayor gave notice that there will be a Spring Career Fair held on April 25th from 1-4pm at the CC McCray Auditorium. Also, there will be a Mayors Reception held in the Chambers at City Hall on Monday April 22nd. There will be a Job Fair at the Waycross High School on April 29th from 1-3pm. First Friday will be May 3rd and lastly, election day is fast approaching and will be on May 21st with early voting starting April 29th from 8am to 5pm.

V. CONSIDERATION OF OFFICIAL ACTIONS:

A. Consent Calendar:

1. Approval of Minutes

- a. Waycross City Commission Planning & Information Session, Monday March 4, 2024, at 5:00pm.
- b. Waycross City Commission Planning & Information Session, Tuesday March 5, at 3:00 pm.
- c. Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, March 5, 2024, at 5:00 pm.
- d. Waycross City Commission Meeting Continuation from Monday March 5, 2024, Held Monday, March 18, 2024, at 5:00 pm.
- e. Waycross City Commission Planning & Information Session, Monday, March 18, 2024, at 5:30pm
- f. Waycross City Commission Meeting, Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at 5:00 pm.

2. Ordinance Second Readings:

1. An Ordinance to Amend the Code of the City of Waycross, Georgia; To Amend Chapter 38 – Traffic and Vehicles, Article III. – Stopping, Standing, and Parking, by Adding a New Section 38-71 Pertaining to Temporary Fire Access Lanes on Public Property; To Repeal Conflicting Ordinances; To Provide for Severability; To Provide for an Effective Date; To Provide for Renumbering or Relettering; and for Other Purposes.

3. Privilege License Renewals: n/a

Commissioner Hopkins made a motion to approve, seconded by Mayor Pro Temp, Alvin Nelson. All voted in favor and the motion passed. There were no votes in opposition.

B. Privilege Licenses: n/a

C. Bids:

1. WAYX 24-08 Surplus Firefighter Helmets & Boots

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. All voted in favor and the motion passed. There were no votes in opposition.

D. Ordinances: n/a

E. Resolutions:

1. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Support Modification of the City's Retirement Plan; and for Other Purposes.

There was a motion to amend this resolution leaving out the word "Modification" by Mayor Pro Temp, Alvin Nelson, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. After which, Commissioner Bennett made the motion to approve, seconded by Mayor Pro Temp, Alvin Nelson. All voted in favor and the motion passed. There were no votes in opposition.

2. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Grant Approval To Ware County Bicentennial 2024, INC, and King Pin To Replicate The Waycross Centennial Coin For The Sesquicentennial Celebration; and for Other Purposes.

Commissioner Hopkins made the motion to approve, seconded by Commissioner Bennett. All voted in favor and the motion passed. There were no votes in opposition.

VI. LAST CALL and/or ADJOURN TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

VII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned without a motion at 5:38pm

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY:

+ Michael Angelo James

MICHAEL-ANGELO JAMES, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jacqueline Powell
JACQUALINE POWELL, City Clerk

