

MINUTES
CITY OF BAINBRIDGE, GEORGIA
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2023
6:30 P.M.

PRESENT: MAYOR EDWARD REYNOLDS, PRESIDING

COUNCIL MEMBERS: KREGG CLOSE, DON WHALEY, GLENNIE BENCH,
ROSLYN PALMER, PHIL LONG, AND SYLVIA
WASHINGTON

CITY STAFF: CITY MANAGER CHRIS HOBBY, ASSISTANT CITY
MANAGER ROY OLIVER, ALLIE GODWIN, STEVE
O'NEIL, LISA TAYLOR, CRYSTAL HINES, DAVID HOWER,
GABE MENENDEZ, FRANK GREEN, REDELL WALTON,
RYAN WIMBERLEY AND JESSICA HICKS

GUESTS: STEVE AND MARIANNE DICKMAN, RALNA PEARSON,
ASHLEY WHITE, JENNY HERRING, TERESA HEARD
SIMKINS, SHANNON ANGLE, DENNIE NICHOLS, BRUCE
KIRBO JR, HENRY CHOISE, KEITH LYLE, TIM COCHRAN,
DORRIS COSBY AND VALARIE BURKE

ABSENT: NONE

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Councilwoman Bench gave the invocation and all those assembled pledged allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion offered by Councilwoman Palmer and seconded by Councilwoman Bench, the Council voted 6-0 to approve the minutes from the January 17, 2023, council meeting and the January 27, 2023, special called meeting as presented.

RECOGNIZE VISITORS AND DELEGATIONS

Mayor Reynolds opened the floor for anyone who wish to speak on an item. Mr. Henry Choice of 141 Fleming Road and Mr. Montgomery stepped forward to discuss the securities that are available to the community as well as a school program that he has come up with. Ms. Ralna Pearson of 1309 Belcher Lane stepped forward to express her concern regarding the rezoning of her father's automotive shop and requested an extension to renew her father's business license to keep the current zoning. Hearing from no other person, Mayor Reynolds proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – STEVE DICKMAN

Mayor Reynolds informed the city council of a special presentation by Mr. Steve Dickman, Executive Director of Stewards of Lake Seminole, to discuss his non-profit organization.

SPECIAL PRESENTATION – TIM COCHRAN

Decatur County School Broad Superintendent, Tim Cochran, appeared before the Mayor and City Council for his annual presentation regarding all schools within Decatur County School System.

CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSAL – WATER MAIN EXTENSION

City Manager Hobby presented the Mayor and City Council with a proposal from York and Associates for the extension of a water main on Whigham Dairy Road. Mr. Hobby explained this will coincide with the GDOT's project to widen and improve Whigham Dairy Road to become the new truck route. Upon a motion by Councilwoman Bench and seconded by Councilman Close, the Council voted 6-0 to approve the proposal as presented.

INTRODUCTION OF DEMOLITION ORDINANCE

City Manager Hobby introduced a demolition ordinance for 1701 Lake Douglas Road. Mr. Hobby explained that this item will go before a public hearing and then voted on at April city council meeting.

CONSIDERATION OF ONE DAY ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE

APPLICATION

City Manager Chris Hobby informed the council that the Bainbridge – Decatur County Chamber of Commerce applied for a One Day Alcoholic Beverage License, which would allow

for the sale and on-premises consumption of alcoholic beverages at Rivertown Days on Saturday, March 11, 2023. Upon a motion by Councilwoman Palmer and seconded by Councilwoman Washington, the Council voted 6-0 to approve the One Day Alcoholic Beverage License.

CONSIDERATION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

City Manager Chris Hobby presented the council with four Alcoholic Beverage License Applications.

- a. Applicant Ulises Arequillin, from Las Katrins, which is located at 712 S. Scott Street has applied for a malt beverage consumption license.
- b. Applicant Farnessa Boldin of Family Dollar Stores of Georgia, LLC dba Family Dollar Store #21132, which is located at 303 S. Scott Street has applied for a malt beverage and wine package retail license.
- c. Tony McGuire, new owner of Chuck's Package Store, located at 925 E. Shotwell Street has applied for a package store license.
- d. Karan Barber of Karan's Korner, LLC, located at 234 E. Water Street, has applied for a wine package retail license.

Upon a motion by Councilwoman Bench and seconded by Councilman Close, the Council voted 6-0 to approve the four applications as presented.

CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACT – ANIMAL SHELTER

City Manager Hobby presented the council with contract from PDC Construction to construct an animal shelter. Following a brief discussion from council, Councilman Long made a motion of approve the contract with PDC Construction. The motion was then seconded by Councilwoman Bench and unanimously carried in a 6-0 vote by council.

CONSIDERATION OF PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDATIONS

The Planning Commission met Tuesday, January 10th and considered two items that require City Council action. The Planning Commission unanimously approved both conditional use applications.

- **ITEM 1: CU-2022-007:** Applicant Michele Ringle is requesting a conditional use for a Short-Term Rental at 1208 Tallahassee Hwy. The property is 0.55 acres and is zoned Urban Residential 6 (UR-6).
- **ITEM 2: CU-2023-001:** Applicant Kelvin Sherman is requesting a conditional use for an open-air business (produce stand) at the property located at 203 Shotwell St (Parcel B0260139). The property is .11 acres and is zoned Central Business District (CBD).

Upon a motion offered by Councilman Whaley and seconded by Councilman Close, the council voted 6-0 in favor of the Planning Commission’s recommendations and approved both items as presented.

QUARTERLY FINANCIALS

Lisa Taylor, Administrative Services Director, appeared before the Mayor and City Council with an update of the first quarter financials.

CONSENT AGENDA

Bids:

Goforth Williamson, Inc. Submersible Solids Handling Pumps Griffin, GA	\$31,840.00
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Upon a motion offered by Councilwoman Bench and seconded by Councilman Close, the council voted 6-0 to approve the bid as presented.

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business, Mayor Reynolds adjourned the meeting.

BY: _____
EDWARD REYNOLDS, MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
ALLIE GODWIN, COUNCIL CLERK