

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
BRUNSWICK CITY COMMISSION
WORK SESSION
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024 AT 5:30 P.M.
1229 NEWCASTLE STREET, 2nd FLOOR
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PRESENT: Commissioner Kendra Rolle, Commissioner Lance Sabbe and Commissioner Gwen Atkinson-Williams

ABSENT: Honorable Mayor Cosby Johnson and Mayor Pro Tem Felicia Harris

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Rolle

DISCUSSION

1. Millicent Cross, Founder Totally Free, Inc. to update commission about her organization.

Mrs. Cross gave a presentation on the services her organization “Totally Free, Inc.” provides; and stated she would like to partner with the City.

Following questions and responses; Commissioner Rolle thanked Mrs. Cross for the presentation.

WORK SESSION ADJOURNED — *session adjourned at 5:54 p.m.*

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
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REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2024
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PRESENT: Honorable Mayor Cosby Johnson, Mayor Pro Tem Felicia Harris, Commissioner Kendra Rolle, Commissioner Lance Sabbe, and Commissioner Gwen Atkinson-Williams

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Johnson - *meeting began at 6:13 p.m.*

INVOCATION: Mayor Pro Tem Harris

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Recited in unison by all in attendance.

ADDENDUM(S) TO AGENDA:

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Commissioner Atkinson-Williams made a motion to defer item number six (6) “Consider Approval of 3210 Glynn Avenue Site Plan Approval” under items to consider for approval until February 7, 2024 commission meeting; seconded by Commissioner Rolle. Motion passed unanimously.

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Commissioner Atkinson-Williams made a motion to add as item number two~a (2a) under Recognition(s) Presentation(s), & Award(s) ~ “Presentation of Retirement plaques to Vicki “Lynne” Velie, Assistance Finance Director and Kathy Mills, Finance Director”; seconded by Commissioner Sabbe. Motion passed unanimously.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Adoption of January 17, 2024 Regular Meeting Agenda.

Mayor Pro Tem Harris made a motion to approve the above-referenced agenda with the aforementioned addendums; seconded by Commissioner Rolle. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- 1) David Bowers addressed the commission regarding his position and that of the Planning and Appeals Commission regarding the site plan for 3210 Glynn Avenue. He asked the commission to ratify a chairperson for the Planning and Appeals Commission. He also addressed commission regarding amendments to Planning and Appeals Commission ordinance.

RECOGNITION(S), PRESENTATION(S), & AWARD(S)

2. Proclamation Presentation Recognizing Amendments to Equal Rights Act.

Above-referenced proclamation was presented to Carla Arbray and was accepted with gratitude.

2a Presentation of Retirement Plaques to : Vicki “Lynne Velie, Assistance Finance Director and Kathy Mills, Finance Director.

Plaques presented to Vicki “Lynne Velie, Assistance Finance Director and Kathy Mills, Finance Director was accepted with gratitude.

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Mayor Johnson recognized County Commissioner David Sweat in the audience.

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APPOINTMENT(S)

3. Downtown Development Authority – One Appointment

Commissioner Atkinson-Williams made a motion to appoint Shemeka Sorrels to the above-referenced authority; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM(S) TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL

4. Consider Approval of January 3, 2024 Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes. *(subject to any necessary changes.) (N. Atkinson)*

Commissioner Rolle made a motion to approve the above-referenced minutes; seconded by Commissioner Sabbe. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Consider Approval of Alcohol License Renewal for Bottle Time Liquor. *(A. Brown)*

Commissioner Rolle made a motion to approve the renewal of the alcohol license for Bottle Time Liquor; seconded by Commissioner Atkinson-Williams. Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0; with Mayor Johnson abstaining.

6. Consider Approval of 3210 Glynn Avenue Site Plan Approval. *(J. Hunter)*

The above-referenced item was deferred until February 7, 2024 Commission meeting.

7. Consider Approval of Resolution Number 2024-01 ~ Submission of to Georgia Department of Community Affairs for a Community Housing Investment Program (CHIP) Grant of \$1,500,000. *(J. Hunter)*

Commissioner Sabbe made a motion to approve the above-referenced resolution; seconded by Commissioner Rolle. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Consider Approval of Resolution 2024-02 ~ Adoption of Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Program Policies. *(J. Hunter)*

Commissioner Rolle made a motion to approve the above-referenced resolution; seconded by Commissioner Sabbe. Motion passed unanimously.

9. Consider Appointment of Planning and Appeals Commission Chairperson. *(J. Hunter)*

Commissioner Rolle made a motion to defer appointment to the above-referenced commission until February 7, 2024 commission meeting; seconded by Commissioner Atkinson-Williams. Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 1; with Mayor Pro Tem Harris opposing.

10. Consider Approval Police Department Surplus Vehicles. *(K. Jones)*

Commissioner Sabbe made a motion to approve the sale of the surplus vehicles; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously.

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11. Discussion ~ Amendment to Planning and Appeals Commission Ordinance. *(J. Hunter)*

~Discussion only~

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Sabbe made a motion to hold an executive session to discuss litigation; seconded by Commissioner Atkinson-Williams. Motion passed unanimously.

RECONVENE EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Sabbe made a motion to approve the insurance release with Gainsco Auto Insurance in the amount of \$8,248.88; seconded by Commissioner Rolle. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Rolle made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously.

MEETING ADJOURNED – *meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.*

/s/Cosby H. Johnson
Cosby H. Johnson, Mayor

Attest: /s/ Naomi D. Atkinson
Naomi D. Atkinson
City Clerk