

**OFFICIAL MINUTES  
BRUNSWICK CITY COMMISSION  
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2024  
AT 6:00 P.M.**

**1229 NEWCASTLE STREET, 2<sup>nd</sup> FLOOR**

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**PRESENT:** Honorable Mayor Cosby Johnson, Mayor Pro Tem Felicia Harris,  
Commissioner Lance Sabbe and Commissioner Gwen Atkinson-Williams

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Kendra Rolle

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Johnson - *meeting began at 6:02 p.m.*

**INVOCATION:** Mayor Pro Tem Harris

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

**ADDENDUM TO AGENDA:**

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Commissioner Atkinson-Williams moved to defer item number seven (7) ~ under item(s) to consider for approval “Consider Approval of 3210 Glynn Avenue Site Plan.”; until February 21, 2024 commission meeting; seconded by Commissioner Sabbe. Motion passed unanimously.

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Commissioner Atkinson-Williams moved to defer item number four (4) ~ under Public Hearing for new alcohol license for Dixville Foods until April 3, 2024 commission meeting; seconded by Commissioner Sabbe. Motion passed unanimously.

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Commissioner Atkinson-Williams moved to defer item number six (6) ~ under items to consider for approval: “Consider Approval of Alcohol license renewal for Cool on Cool.”; until April 3, 2024 commission meeting; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously.

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**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

1. Adoption of February 7, 2024 Regular Meeting Agenda.

Commissioner Sabbe made a motion to approve the above-referenced agenda with the aforementioned addendums; seconded by Commissioner Atkinson-Williams. Motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

1) Devenius Willcox addressed the commission regarding his efforts to ensure his parents legacy is cemented in the city’s history by donating artifacts his father had when he was employed as one of the first African American Police Officers for the City of Brunswick.

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

2. Dr. Ande Noktes, Executive Director, Lucas Center for Entrepreneurship to Report on the Impact of Funding for the ACCELER8 Program.

Following the presentation/report on the progress made by the ACCELER8 program, the Commission thanked Dr. Noktes for the update.

### **APPOINTMENT(S)**

3.

I. Pilotage Commission – One Appointment

Commissioner Sabbe made a motion to re-appoint Martin McCormack to the above-referenced commission; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously.

II. Planning and Appeals Commission – One Appointment

Mayor Pro Tem Harris made a motion to appoint Julie Martin to the above-referenced commission; seconded by Commissioner Sabbe. Motion passed unanimously.

III. Audit Committee – One Appointment

Commissioner Atkinson-Williams moved to appoint Fawnda Hill to the above-referenced committee; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Tree Board - One Appointment

Mayor Pro Tem Harris made a motion to re-appoint Anne Baptista to the above-referenced board; seconded by Commissioner Atkinson-Williams. Motion passed unanimously.

### **PUBLIC HEARING – NEW ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE(S)** (A. Brown)

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<b>New Alcohol License(s)</b>			
Fountain Package	Owner: Mukeshkumar Patel, Manager: Dharmendra Patel	2300 Norwich St. Brunswick, GA	Retail package sales of beer, wine, and liquor
Dixville Foods	Owner: Vaibhavi Patel Manager: Axitkumar Patel	1509 London St. Brunswick, GA	Retail sales of beer and wine

Mayor Johnson opened the floor for anyone wanting to speak in favor or opposition of the new alcohol license for **Fountain Package** referenced above.

No one came forth to address the commission.

Mayor Pro Tem Harris made a motion to approve the new alcohol license for **Fountain Package**; seconded by Commissioner Atkinson-Williams. Motion passed unanimously.

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Consideration for the new alcohol license for **Dixville Foods** referenced above was deferred until April 3, 2024 commission meeting.

### **ITEM(S) TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL**

5. Approval of January 17, 2024 Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes. *(subject to any necessary changes.)* (N. Atkinson)

Commissioner Sabbe made a motion to approve the above-referenced minutes; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Consider Approval of Alcohol License Renewal for Cool on Cool. (A. Brown)

*\*The above-referenced item was deferred until April 3, 2024 commission meeting.\**

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

*\*The above-referenced item was deferred until February 21, 2024 commission meeting.\**

8. Consider Approval of Pension Amendment Number 17. (C. Cartwright)

Commissioner Atkinson-Williams moved to approve Pension Amendment No. 17; seconded by Commissioner Sabbe. Motion passed unanimously.

9. Consider Approval of November and December 2023 Financial Reports. (K. Mills)

Commissioner Sabbe made a motion to approve the above-referenced financial reports as

- submitted; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously.
10. Consider Approval Public Works Department Surplus Vehicles. (*R. Charnock*)  
Mayor Pro Tem Harris made a motion to approve the sale of the surplus vehicles referenced above; seconded by Commissioner Atkinson-Williams. Motion passed unanimously. (*surplus list attached*)
  11. Consider Approval of Improvements to Howard Coffin Park Athletic Fields. (*G. Alberson*)  
Mayor Pro Tem Harris made a motion to approve the improvements to Howard Coffin Park Athletic Fields; seconded by Commissioner Sabbe. Motion passed unanimously.
  12. Consider Approval Authorizing the Purchase of a Street Sweeper from Tymco in the amount of \$361,465. (*G. Alberson*)  
Mayor Pro Tem Harris made a motion to approve the above-referenced purchase; seconded by Commissioner Atkinson-Williams. Motion passed unanimously.
  13. Consider Approval of Contract with Coastal Greenery, Inc. for Landscape Maintenance Services at City Parks and Public Areas along U.S. Highway 17 Corridor. (*G. Alberson*)  
Commissioner Sabbe made a motion to approve the above-referenced contract; seconded by Commissioner Atkinson-Williams. Motion passed unanimously.
  14. Consider Approval of Repairs at Old City Hall (1229 Newcastle Street). (*M. Hill*)  
Commissioner Sabbe made a motion to approve the above-referenced repairs; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Harris. Motion passed unanimously.
  15. Consider Approval Authorizing the Purchase of a Vehicle for Emergency Management Agency (EMA) Coordinator. (*L. Cargile*)  
Mayor Pro Tem Harris made a motion to approve the above-referenced purchase; seconded by Commissioner Atkinson-Williams. Motion passed unanimously.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was not an executive session held during this meeting.

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

**MEETING ADJOURNED** – *meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.*

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

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