

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA**  
**REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2020**  
**OLD CITY HALL**  
**1229 NEWCASTLE STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR**

**PRESENT:** Honorable Mayor Cornell Harvey, Mayor Pro-Tem Julie Martin,  
Commissioner John Cason III, and Commissioner Vincent Williams

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Felicia Harris

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Cornell Harvey - *meeting begin at 6:16 p.m.*

**INVOCATION:** Pamela Bailey

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

**OATH OF OFFICE**

1. Swearing in of Commissioner-Elect Julie T. Martin ~ (*Judge Christopher O'Donnell ~ Municipal Court Judge*)
2. Swearing in of Commissioner-Elect John A. Cason III ~ (*Judge James R. Tuten, Jr., ~ Senior Judge Georgia Superior Court*)

**ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**

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*Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to add as item number seven-a (7a) under Item(s) to Consider for Approval; "Consider for Adoption Resolution No. 2020-02 - Creating the 2020 Brunswick-Glynn County Local Complete Count Committee"; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.*

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*Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to add as item number seven-b (7b) under Item(s) to Consider for Approval; "Consider Confirmation of the City Manager Appointment of John Hunter to the Position of Planning, Development and Codes Director"; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.*

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*Mayor Pro Williams made a motion to defer item number five (5) under Public Hearing(s) – Land Use' "Conditional Use Petition No. 19-16; from Cleve Cunningham, Agent, Petitioning for a Conditional Use Permit for 4410 Altama Avenue, for use as a Car Wash", until the February 19, 2020 commission meeting; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.*

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**APPOINTMENT(S)**

3. Appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem.

Mayor Pro Tem Williams made a motion to appoint Commissioner Martin as Mayor Pro Tem for year 2020; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

- I. Al Verheyn, 924 Union Street, addressed commission regarding the Coastal Plains League baseball stadium and analysis that shows the viability of using Edo Miller Park.
- II. Annie Polite, 201 Peppertree Crossing, addressed commission regarding supporting Coastal Outreach Soccer plans for Howard Coffin Park.

- III. Mike Parrish, 103 Peninsula Dr., addressed commission regarding Conditional Use Petition No. 19-15 for Hand and Hand.
- IV. Christy Jordon, 2415 Parkwood Drive, spoke in favor of Conditional Use Petition No. 19-15 for Hand and Hand.

**PUBLIC HEARING(S)- LAND USE**

- 4. Conditional Use Petition No. 19-15; from Hand in Hand of Glynn, Inc., Petitioning for a Conditional Use Permit for 4621 Altama Avenue, for use as a Private Care Home. *(J. Hunter)*  
Interim Director of Planning, Development and Codes John Hunter gave a presentation on the above-referenced petition. He reported staff recommends granting the conditional use, and the Planning and Appeals Commission recommends approving the above-referenced petition with the additional condition that the Conditional Use Petition be tied to the proposed site plan as presented and one bedroom, one story units as proposed.

Mayor Harvey opened the floor for anyone wanting to speak in favor or opposition of the proposed petition.

The following people addressed the Commission:

- 1) Pastor Jefferey Muchison, as spokesman for Magnolia/College Park Neighborhood Planning Assembly stated he received two (2) negative comments from a resident at Magnolia Park and a resident at College Park opposing the conditional use; he stated personally he was in favor of the conditional use.
- 2) Alan Booker, District Commissioner and resident of Magnolia Park In Favor
- 3) Mike Williams, representative for homeless veterans In Favor

Mayor Pro Tem Martin made a motion to approve the above-referenced petition with the conditions recommended by the Planning and Appeals Commission; seconded by Commissioner Cason.

Mayor Harvey called for a vote from City Clerk Atkinson:

Commissioner Cason	Yes
Commissioner Williams	Abstained
Mayor Pro Tem Martin	Yes
Mayor Harvey	Yes

Motion passed by a vote of 3 to 1; with Commissioner Williams abstaining.

- 5. Conditional Use Petition No. 19-16; from Cleve Cunningham, Agent, Petitioning for a Conditional Use Permit for 4410 Altama Avenue, for use as a Car Wash. *(J. Hunter)*

*\*The above-referenced item was deferred until the February 19, 2020 commission meeting. \**

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

- 6. Consider Approval of December 18, 2019 Work Session and Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes and January 7, 2020 Special Called Meeting Minutes. *(subject to any necessary changes.) (N. Atkinson)*

Mayor Pro Tem Martin made a motion to approve the above-referenced minutes; seconded by Commissioner Cason; with correction of the word unanimously being removed from item number four (4) motion on the regular scheduled meeting minutes of December 18, 2019. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

7. Consider Approval of the Selection of Rimrock Development to be the Developer for the Oglethorpe Block Hotel and Allow the Urban Redevelopment Agency to Proceed with Negotiations. *(M. Hill)*

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the selection of Rimrock Development as the Developer for the Oglethorpe Block Hotel; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

- 7a Consider for Adoption Resolution No. 2020-02 - Creating the 2020 Brunswick-Glynn County Local Complete Count Committee. *(D. Collins)*

Commissioner Cason made a motion to adopt the above-referenced resolution; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

- 7b Consider Confirmation of the City Manager Appointment of John Hunter to the Position of Planning, Development and Codes Director. *(J. Drumm)*

Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the confirmation of City Manager Drumm’s appointment of John Hunter as Director of Planning, Development and Codes; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

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*Mayor Harvey thanked City Manager James Drumm for his tenure as City Manager for the City of Brunswick and presented him with a plaque and best wishes with his future endeavors.*

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**ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE – (New) – (A. Elliott)**

8. Consider Approval of one (1) New Alcohol Beverage License.

<u>Name of Business</u>	<u>Owner/Mgr.</u>	<u>Location of Business</u>	<u>Comments</u>
1. Russell’s	James Russell (Owner)	1824 Norwich Street	Request to sell beer, wine, and distilled spirits. Consumption on premises.

Mayor Harvey opened the floor to anyone wanting to speak in favor of or opposition of the above-referenced new alcohol license.

The following people addressed the Commission:

- 1) Phillip Hayes, 1800 Block of Wolfe Street Oppose
- 2) Mrs. Haynes, 1800 Block of Wolfe Street Oppose
- 3) Bishop James Brooks, 915 Albany Street In Favor

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced alcohol license; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

**ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE – (Renewal) – (A. Elliott)**

9. Consider Approval of one (1) Alcohol Beverage License Renewal.

<u>Name of Business</u>	<u>Owner/Mgr.</u>	<u>Location of Business</u>	<u>Comments</u>
1. The Blue Door	Constant Lindsay & Enzo Centofanti	1706A Second Street	Request to sell beer and wine. Consumption on premises.

Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the above-referenced alcohol license renewal;

seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S ITEM(S)**

10. Consider Approval of Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Brunswick and Glynn County Regarding the Administration of the Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Funds for 31520 Zip Code.

Commissioner Williams made motion to approve the above-referenced Memorandum of Understanding; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Pro Tem Martin made a motion to hold an executive session to discuss litigation and personnel; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

**RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Harvey announced no action was taken.

Commissioner Williams made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

**MEETING ADJOURNED** – *meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.*

/s/Cornell L. Harvey  
Cornell L. Harvey, Mayor

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