

OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2017
OLD CITY HALL
1229 NEWCASTLE STREET, 2ND FLOOR

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

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Cornell Harvey

INVOCATION: Pastor William Phillips

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE: Recited by all in attendance

ADDENDUM TO AGENDA

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Commissioner Cason made a motion to add as item number six-a (6a) under Items to Consider for Approval ~ "Setting of the 2017 Millage Rate"; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

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Commissioner Cason made a motion to add as item number six-b (6b) under Items to Consider for Approval ~ "Solid Waste Service Fee Resolution"; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

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Commissioner Cason made a motion to add as item number one-a (1a) under Presentation ~ "Update on Mansfield Street Drainage Project"; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

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Mayor Harvey recognized Richard "Dick" James; who has been shadowing him as Mayor for the day.

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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- Dana Harrison addressed the Commission regarding loud music being played in her neighborhood.

PRESENTATION(S)

1. LaRon Bennett, Chairman, Urban Redevelopment Agency, to update Commission on activities of the Agency.

Mr. Bennett updated the Commission on development possibilities at Oglethorpe tract, Mary Ross Waterfront Park and Perry School site.

1a Update on Mansfield Street Drainage Project. *(G. Alberson)*

City Engineer Garrow Alberson gave an update on the Mansfield Street Project.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)-LAND USE

2. Rezoning Petition No. 17-02 from Parth Patel, Owner, Petitioning to Rezone 1700 Gloucester Street from Office Commercial (OC) to Local Commercial (LC). *(B. Daiss)*

Brenda Daiss, Director of Planning, Development and Codes, gave a presentation on the above-referenced petition. She reported that staff recommends granting the above-referenced petition.

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

The following people addressed the commission:

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| 1) Katherine Kinstle, 1123 Magnolia Avenue | Opposed |
| 2) Pastor William R. Phillips, Unitarian Universalist Church, Gloucester St. | Opposed |
| 3) Sandra Colhard, 825 Albany Street | Opposed |
| 4) Jill Wright, 1309 Magnolia Avenue | Opposed |
| 5) Sally Revoile, Member of Unitarian Universalist Church Member | Opposed |
| 6) Lucy Albenze, 908 Richmond Street, Business 1302 Gloucester Street | Opposed |
| 7) Al Verheyn, 924 Union Street | Opposed |
| 8) Neely Hunter, 1913 Elm Street | Opposed |
| 9) Gary Cook, 2615 Ellis Street | In Favor |

Mayor Pro-Tem Martin made a motion to deny the above-referenced petition; seconded by Commissioner Cason.

Mayor Harvey called for a vote from City Clerk Atkinson:

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| Commissioner Cason | Yes to deny |
| Commissioner Harris | Yes to deny |
| Commissioner Williams | No to deny |
| Mayor Pro-Tem Martin | Yes to deny |
| Mayor Harvey | No to deny |

Motion passed by a vote of 3 to 0; with Commissioner Williams and Mayor Harvey opposing.

3. Abandonment Petition No. 17-02 from John A. Cason III, Owner, Petitioning to Abandon a 50 feet Right of Way (ROW) that Adjoins Property. (*B. Daiss*)

Brenda Daiss, Director of Planning, Development and Codes, gave a presentation on the above-referenced petition. She reported that staff recommends granting the above-referenced petition.

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

Commissioner Cason recused himself from commenting/voting on the above-referenced item.

The following people addressed the commission:

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| 1) Gary Cook, 2615 Ellis Street | Opposed |
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Mayor Pro-Tem Martin made a motion to approve the above-referenced petition; seconded by Commissioner Harris.

Mayor Harvey called for a vote from City Clerk Atkinson:

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| Commissioner Harris | Yes |
| Commissioner Williams | Yes |
| Mayor Pro-Tem Martin | Yes |
| Mayor Harvey | Yes |

Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0; with Commissioner Cason abstaining.

ITEM(S) TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL

4. Consider Approval of August 2, 2017 Work Session and Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes. (*subject to any necessary changes.*) (*N. Atkinson*)

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced work session and regular scheduled meeting minutes; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

5. Consider Approval of Bid Contract for Billing and Collection Software for Ad Valorem Property Taxes and Solid Waste Fees. (*A. Dunham*)

Commissioner Williams made a motion to defer the above-referenced item until the September 6, 2017 commission meeting; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

6. Consider Approval to Surplus Vehicles/Equipment from the Police, Fire and Public Works Departments. (*R. Charnock*)

Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve items for surplus on the surplus list as presented and utilize Gov Deal for the auctioning process; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

6a Setting of the 2017 Millage Rate. *(K. Mills)*

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the millage rate of 13.219 as presented by Finance Director Mills; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

6b Consider Approval of Solid Waste Fee Resolution. *(J. Drumm)*

Commissioner Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced resolution; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

APPOINTMENT(S)

7. Tree Board – *(four appointments)*

Mayor Pro-Tem Martin made a motion to appoint Sandra Colhard and Eamonn Leonard to the above-reference board; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

City Clerk Atkinson was instructed to re-advertise for the remaining two vacancies.

ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE - (Renewals) – *(L. Schmauch)*

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

Name of Business	Owner/Mgr.	Business Location	Comments
Live at the Blue Door/ Cool on Cool LLC	Constance Lewis Lindsey (Owner) Enzo Centofanti (Manager)	1706 Second St.	Request to sell beer and wine. (Consumption on Premises)

Commissioner Cason made a motion to defer the above-referenced alcohol license until the September 6, 2017 commission meeting; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

MAYOR HARVEY'S ITEM(S)

9. Update on the Brunswick-Glynn Joint Water and Sewer Commission.

Mayor Harvey reported that a Deputy Executive Director has been hired for Brunswick-Glynn Joint Water and Sewer Commission. He also gave updates on projects of the above-referenced commission.

Finally stating that changes have been made to Human Resources policy and debt collection policies.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was not an executive session during this meeting.

Mayor Pro-Tem Martin made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

MEETING ADJOURNED

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

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