

OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2016
OLD CITY HALL
1229 NEWCASTLE STREET, 2ND FLOOR

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

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Cornell Harvey

INVOCATION: Reverend Wright Culpepper

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE: Recited by all in attendance

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Mayor Harvey acknowledged and thanked City Manager Drumm, Police Officers, Firefighters and First Responders for their roles during and after Hurricane Matthew. He also commended the community for working together with the aftermath of Hurricane Matthew.

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Commissioner Cason made a motion to move item number ten (10) at the beginning of the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- 1) Mark Glaude addressed the Commission regarding cycling safety.

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

1. Proclamation Presentation to City of Brunswick Fire Department in Support of Fire Prevention Week. Fire Chief Mobley accepted the above-referenced proclamation with gratitude.

DISCUSSION

2. Homelessness Population.

The Commission discussed the presence of homelessness downtown during the day and after hours.

Brunswick Police Chief Jones reported on the statistics of homelessness and offered several potential suggestions/solutions to help alleviate some of the homelessness issues.

Following discussion, it was the consensus of the Commission to have Police Chief Jones put together a committee to discuss suggestions/solutions to help alleviate some of the homelessness issues.

Reverend Culpepper reported on the operations of The Well; he stated that The Well provides bus fare to homeless.

Chantez Ford addressed the Commission stating he works with the homeless by assisting/helping them return to the workforce.

CONSENT AGENDA

3. Consider Approval of September 21, 2016 Work Session and Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes. *(subject to any necessary changes.) (N. Atkinson)*
Commissioner Cason made a motion approving the above-referenced minutes; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
4. Consider Approval of an Architect for the Oglethorpe Conference Center. *(J. Hunter)*
Commissioner Cason made a motion to defer the above-referenced item until the November 2, 2016 Commission meeting; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
5. Consider Approval of Contract to Install a Cured-In-Place Pipe Liner from the 1000 Block through the 1200 Block of Third Street. *(R. Charnock)*

Commissioner Cason made a motion to defer the above-referenced item; giving staff time to present item to the Finance Committee; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

6. Consider Approval of the Stabilization Loan. *(M. Hill)*

Commissioner Cason made a motion to defer the above-referenced item until the November 2, 2016 Commission meeting; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

APPOINTMENT(S)

7. Commission, Agency and Board Appointment(s) *(N. Atkinson)*

1) Urban Redevelopment Agency – Two Appointments – *(Mayor's Appointments)*

Mayor Harvey appointed Martha Heath Johnson to the above-referenced agency, filling the unexpired term of Karen Ward until 07/01/2017.

Ms. Johnson thanked Mayor Harvey for the appointment and stated she loves Brunswick and is ready to serve.

CONSENT AGENDA - Finance

8. Consider Approval of Financial Reports as of August 31, 2016. *(K. Mills)*

Mayor Pro-Tem Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced reports as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

CITY MANAGER'S ITEM(S)

9. Consider Approval of Agreement for Debris Removal and Disposal Services.

Mayor Pro-Tem Williams made a motion to remove the above-referenced from the agenda; seconded by Commissioner Cason. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

COMMISSIONER CASON'S ITEM(S) *(This item was moved to the beginning of the agenda.)*

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

Jimmy Junkin, Executive Director, Brunswick-Glynn Joint Water and Sewer gave an update on Mansfield Street water and sanitary sewer improvements.

City Engineer Garrow followed up with an update on Mansfield Street infrastructure improvements and the City's paving projects.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Pro-Tem Williams made a motion to hold an executive session to discuss personnel and real estate; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

Following executive session Mayor Harvey announced that no action was taken.

Mayor Pro-Tem Williams made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Martin. 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