

OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 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: Pastor Michael Hardy

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE: Recited by all in attendance

ADDENDUM TO AGENDA

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Commissioner Martin made a motion to remove item number eight (8) under the consent agenda “Consider Approval of Contract to Pave Atlanta Avenue and Johnston Street and the Resurfacing of Various Streets”; and to add as item number eight-a (8a) under the consent agenda “Consider approval authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter of interest to Georgia Department of Economic Development”; and to defer item number five (5) under Appeals(s) – Historic Preservation “Walters O. Evans, Owner, 1317 Newcastle Street, Appealing the Decision of the Historic Preservation Board Denying Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for Property Located at 1317 Newcastle Street” until May 18, 2016 commission meeting; seconded Mayor Pro-Tem Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

- 1) Sandy Dean, 1127 Union Street, addressed the Commission regarding Historic Preservation properties.
- 2) Gary Cook, 2615 Ellis Street, addressed the Commission regarding the car wash ordinance and the Police Department and Deputy Marshal Schmauch.

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

1. Proclamation Presentation to the Economic Development Authority Board in Support of Manufacturing Appreciation Week.
Proclamation accepted with gratitude.
2. Proclamation Presentation to Brunswick Job Corps “Eagles” Men’s Basketball Team.
Proclamation accepted with gratitude.

APPOINTMENT(S)

3. Joint City/County Authority Appointment – (*N. Atkinson*)
 - a) Brunswick & Glynn County Development Authority – One Appointment
Commissioner Cason made a motion to appoint Jack C. Kilgore to the above-referenced authority to fill the unexpired term of Susan Eastin; until July 31, 2017; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote 5 to 0.

APPEAL(S) – Historic Preservation

4. Joe McDonough, Owner 1315 Union Street, Appealing the Decision of the Historic Preservation Board Denying Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for Property Located at 1315 Union Street.

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

The following people addressed the Commission:

Kate Sabbe, Brunswick Historic Preservation Board member, gave a report on the background of the above-referenced appeal and explained why the board denied Mr. McDonough’s Certificate of Appropriateness to demolish structure located at 1315 Union Street.

- 1) Brent Anderson, 1506 Albany Street Oppose
- 2) Guy-Neil Johnson, 711 George Street Oppose
- 3) Lance Sabbe, 1110 Prince Street Oppose
- 4) Chris Amos, consultant for Joe McDonough addressed the Commission in regards to Mr. McDonough’s plans to have structure razed.
- 5) Mike Banker stated he purchased structure from Mr. McDonough ten years ago, but could not afford to maintain/rehab structure or make payments therefore he returned property back to Mr. McDonough.
- 6) Allen Gordon, real estate agent, 1223 Union Street, stated he had property on market but did not receive any offers.

Joe McDonough, owner, addressed the Commission regarding his reasons for wanting to demolish the structure located at 1315 Union Street.

John Hunter, Planner I, reported on the tax credits that are offered for structures like the one located at 1315 Union Street.

Commissioner Martin made a motion to sustain the denial of the above-referenced appeal; seconded by Commissioner Harris:

Mayor Harvey called for a vote from City Clerk Atkinson:

<i>Commissioner Cason</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Harris</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Commissioner Martin</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mayor Pro-Tem Williams</i>	<i>Aye</i>
<i>Mayor Harvey</i>	<i>Nay</i>

Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 1; with Mayor Harvey voting opposing.

- 5. Walters O. Evans, Owner, 1317 Newcastle Street, Appealing the Decision of the Historic Preservation Board Denying Application for Certificate of Appropriateness for Property Located at 1317 Newcastle Street.

The above-referenced item was deferred until the May 18, 2016 commission meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING(S)-LAND USE

- 6. Conditional Use Petition No. 16-02; from Brady Turner, Agent, Petitioning to Obtain a Conditional Use Permit to Allow an Automobile Air Conditioning Repair Facility at 1208 Gloucester Street. (*J. Hunter*) John Hunter, Planner I, gave a presentation on the above-referenced petition. He reported that staff recommends granting the requested conditional use petition with the following stipulations:

- I. *All development shall be in substantial compliance with the development concept plan date stamped 3/28/16.*

- II. *The repair of all automobiles must occur within fully enclosed buildings and there will be no open storage of wrecked vehicles, dismantled parts, or any other materials visible beyond the premises.*

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

The following people address the Commission:

1. Gary Cook, 2615 Ellis Street In Favor
Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the above-referenced petition, with stipulations recommended by staff; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

CONSENT AGENDA

7. Consider Approval of April 6, 2016 Work Session and Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes and April 11, 2016 Special Called Meeting Minutes. *(subject to any necessary changes.) (N. Atkinson)*
Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the April 6, 2016 Work Session and Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams. Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 1; with Mayor Harvey abstaining as he was not in attendance.
Mayor Pro-Tem Williams made a motion to approve the above-referenced special called meeting minutes of April 11, 2016; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
8. Consider Approval of Contract to Pave Atlanta Avenue and Johnston Street and the Resurfacing of Various Streets. *(G. Alberson)*
Commissioner Cason made a motion to approve the above-referenced contract; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
The above-referenced item was removed from the agenda.
- 8a Consider approval authorizing the Mayor to sign a letter of interest to Georgia Department of Economic Development. *(M. Hill)*
Commissioner Martin made a motion approving authorization for the Mayor to sign the above-referenced letter; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

CONSENT AGENDA - Finance

9. Consider Approval of Financial Reports as of February, 2016 *(K. Mills)*
Mayor Pro-Tem William made a motion to approve the above-referenced reports as submitted; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
Commission directed City Manager Drum to prepare a schedule/list of all SPLOST V projects with an estimated completion date to the Commission.
Commission directed City Manager Drum to have Roosevelt Harris Foundation provide a report to the Commission.
10. Consider Approval of Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Adjustments. *(K. Mills)*
Mayor Pro-Tem William made a motion to approve the above-referenced adjustments; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

COMMISSIONER MARTIN'S ITEM(S)

11. Update on the Urban Redevelopment Agency.
Commissioner Martin gave an update on the above-referenced agency.

COMMISSIONER CASON'S ITEM(S)

12. Update on the Brunswick-Glynn Joint Water and Sewer Commission.
Commissioner Cason reported that the above-referenced commission will be interviewing for a Director next week. City Manager Drum and City Engineer Albertson updated the Commission on the Mansfield Street project.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Following executive session:

Mayor Harvey announced no action was taken.

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