

**OFFICIAL MINUTES  
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA  
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2016  
OLD CITY HALL  
1229 NEWCASTLE STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> 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 Kevin Drury

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

- 1) Susan Bates, 1414 Newcastle Street, Owner of Topsy Restaurant, addressed the Commission in regards to amending the application for Parks – to include the requirement to have portable toilets, hand washing station and trash removal after events/festivals; she also suggested including the contact information for Keep Golden Isles Beautiful in the Parks application.

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

1. Proclamation Presentation to Shelia Glaeser, I Heart Brunswick Committee, Proclaiming March 28<sup>th</sup> -April 1<sup>st</sup> as I Heart Brunswick Week.  
Proclamation was accepted by Ms. Glaeser with gratitude.
2. Proclamation Presentation to Jeff Clark and Sharron Atkinson, Safe Harbor, proclaiming March 20<sup>th</sup> - March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2016 as National Safe Place Week.  
Proclamation was accepted by Mr. Clark and Ms. Atkinson with gratitude.

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

3. Abandonment Petition No. 16-01; from St. Mark's Episcopal Thrift Store and the Brunswick Golden Isles Chamber of Commerce, Requesting to Abandon the 30 foot Wide Right-of-Way that Exists Between Properties. (*G. Alberson*)

Garrow Alberson, City Engineer, gave a presentation regarding the above-referenced petition. He reported that staff recommends in favor of granting the abandonment 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:

1. Woody Woodside, Chamber of Commerce In Favor

Mayor Pro-Tem Williams made a motion to grant the above-referenced petition; seconded by Commissioner Harris. Motion passed by unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

4. Consider Approval of March 2, 2016 Regular Scheduled Meeting Minutes. (*subject to any necessary changes.*) (*N. Atkinson*)  
Commissioner Martin made a motion to approve the above-referenced minutes; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.
5. Consider Approval of Kay S. Hampton, RN, MSN, as member of the Joint Southeast Georgia Health System, Inc. Board. (*C. Jordan*)

Mayor Pro-Tem Williams made a motion approving Kay S. Hampton as a member of Southeast Georgia Health System, Inc. Board; seconded by Commissioner Martin. Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

**COMMISSIONER MARTIN'S ITEM(S)**

6. Update on the Urban Redevelopment Agency.

Commissioner Martin gave a brief update on the activities of the above-referenced agency.

**COMMISSIONER CASON'S ITEM(S)**

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

Commissioner Cason reported that the above-referenced Commission is in the process of accepting applications for an Executive Director and Deputy Director.

City Manager Drumm updated the Commission on the above-referenced Commission Master Plan and the progress of the Mansfield Street project.

**CITY MANAGER'S ITEM(S)**

8. Consider Approval to Declare Surplus and Land Swap with the Brunswick-Glynn Joint Water and Sewer Commission for Property on the Corner "F" and Bay Street.

Commissioner Cason made a motion to declare the unopened portion of Gordon Street – South of "F" Street as surplus because it has never been opened as a public roadway and because it is not able to ever be opened and used as a public roadway; seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Williams.

Motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

Following executive session:

Mayor Harvey announced no action was taken.

He reported City Manager Drumm wanted to update Commission; per the Commission request on progress/status of Ritz Theatre SPLOST projects.

City Manager Drumm briefly updated the Commission on SPLOST funds for Ritz Theatre and passed out an outstanding project list for the Ritz Theatre.

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