

October 21, 2019

Approved 11-4-19 *MLB*

MINUTES

The regular scheduled meeting of the Pooler City Council was held on October 21, 2019. Mayor Mike Lamb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Councilwoman Rebecca Benton, Councilman Bruce Allen, Councilwoman Shannon Black, Councilman Larry Olliff, Councilman Mike Royal and Councilman Stevie Wall. City Manager Robbie Byrd, Finance Officer Chris Lightle and City Attorney Steve Scheer were also present.

The invocation was given by Mayor Lamb and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Will Dixon, a baseball player from the 8u State championship team.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as printed upon a motion by Councilman Allen, seconded by Councilwoman Benton, with no opposition.

The minutes of the October 7th Executive Session were approved upon a motion by Councilman Wall, seconded by Councilman Olliff, with no opposition.

Report from the Standing Committees:

FINANCE

Councilman Wall presented bills in excess of \$1500.00 and made a motion to pay, subject to funds. Motion was seconded by Councilman Royal and passed without opposition.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Councilman Royal reported that the fire department responded to 271 calls since the last meeting, totaling 3410 for the year and that the police department responded to 1069 calls, totaling 23,177 for the year.

STREET/DRAINAGE

Councilwoman Benton reported that the street department picked up trash, continued sidewalk repairs on Rogers Street, repaired various potholes and performed road repairs on W. Tietgen Street and S. Chestnut Street. Further, that the drainage department continued routine maintenance in the southeastern quadrant, began work on the inlet lid of Towne Center Boulevard and finished drainage improvements on Big Bend Road and the intersection of Georgia and Chatham Avenues.

WATER/SEWER

Councilman Olliff reported that the water department repaired the water main on Chestnut Street and W. Tietgen Street, tied in the 8" water main at the intersection of Nancy Hanks Way and Grand Central Boulevard, repaired the 2" water main on Highway 80 in front of Ameris Bank, repaired/replaced 28 residential meters and MXUs,

notified 18 residents of continuous water usage in an effort to reduce bill adjustments and water loss, witnessed the testing and certification of nine (9) backflow preventers and performed 322 line locates requested by the Utility Protection Center. Further, that EOM responded to one (1) grinder pump call, four (4) sewer leak repairs and performed routine maintenance on several lift stations and at the wastewater treatment plant.

RECREATION

Councilwoman Black reported that all fall youth sports are ongoing and that high school football games continue at the stadium. Further, that the "Wall that Heals", a Vietnam Veteran Memorial, will be on display at the recreation complex from October 31st through November 3rd.

BUILDING/ZONING

Councilman Allen reported that nine (9) single family residential and four (4) commercial permits were issued since the last meeting, with 214 inspections performed.

Mayor Lamb and Councilwoman Black presented plaques to the 8 and under boys' baseball teams from 2018 and 2019 in commemoration of them winning the State Championship.

Mayor Lamb presented a 15-year service pin to Police Sergeant Charles "Tripp" Davis, thanking him for his continued service.

Police Chief Ashley Brown and Sergeant Davis presented a plaque to Governor Mal O'Sullivan of the Irish Prison Service, an overseas friend of the police department for a number of years, congratulating him on his retirement after 30 years of service.

There was no OLD BUSINESS to discuss.

Under NEW BUSINESS the following was discussed:

1. Zoning map amendment of 1525 Dean Forest Road from C-2 to I-1

A public hearing was held prior. The intent is to utilize one of the buildings for a general contractor office and the other for a landscape company. After review of the criteria, Councilman Allen made a motion, seconded by Councilman Olliff, to approve the amendment. Motion passed without opposition.

2. Amendment to Savannah Quarters Phase 1, PUD Development Standards

Mr. Byrd presented an amendment to the Savannah Quarters, Phase 1 Development Standards to allow single family detached homes for the remaining 37 units, initially planned for duplexes in Westbrook Villas, and in the Clubhouse area originally planned for single family detached, the developer is proposing a single family attached product. Councilwoman Benton made a motion to approve the amendment. Motion was seconded by Councilman Olliff and passed without opposition.

3. Preliminary construction plan for Forest Lakes, Phase 9

Mr. Byrd stated that the petitioner has requested the item be removed from the agenda. This request was honored.

4. Alcoholic beverage license for Jatinkumar Patel at Persis Indian Restaurant

Jatinkumar Patel submitted an application to serve alcoholic beverages at the new Persis Indian Restaurant at 101 Godley Station Boulevard South. Mr. Byrd stated that Police Chief Ashley Brown has performed the background investigation and recommends approval. Councilman Wall made a motion, seconded by Councilman Royal, to approve the license, including Sunday sales. Motion passed with Councilman Allen in opposition.

5. Agreement with Impact Public Affairs, LLC for alternate water source feasibility study

Mr. Byrd presented an agreement with Public Affairs, LLC for an alternate water source feasibility study regarding the reclamation of the Morgan Lakes surface mine. Councilwoman Benton made a motion to approve the agreement in the budgeted amount of \$40,000.00, contingent upon the city attorney's changes. Motion was seconded by Councilman Royal and passed without opposition.

Councilman Allen made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session at approximately 6:25 p.m. to discuss personnel, legal and/or real estate matters. Motion was seconded by Councilman Royal and passed without opposition.

Mayor Lamb called the meeting back to order at 6:42 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilman Royal made a motion to adjourn at approximately 6:42 p.m. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Benton and passed without opposition.

Respectfully submitted,



Maribeth Lindler
City Clerk



Mayor

Public Hearing

A public hearing was held prior to the regular City Council meeting on October 21, 2019. Mayor Mike Lamb called the hearing to order at 5:45 p.m. Present were Councilwoman Rebecca Benton, Councilman Bruce Allen, Councilwoman Shannon Black, Councilman Larry Olliff, Councilman Mike Royal and Councilman Stevie Wall. City Manager Robbie Byrd, Finance Officer Chris Lightle and City Attorney Steve were also present.

The purpose of the hearing was to discuss a requested zoning map amendment of 1525 Dean Forest Road from C-2 to I-1. Joe Marchese has submitted a request to rezone his property from C-2 (Heavy Commercial) to I-1 (Light Industrial) to utilize the office space for a general contractor and Bright View Landscaping. Mr. Byrd stated that the surrounding properties are either zoned light or heavy industrial.

There being no further discussion, the hearing adjourned at approximately 5:46 p.m.

Public Hearing

A public hearing was held prior to the regular City Council meeting on October 21, 2019. Mayor Mike Lamb called the hearing to order at 5:50 p.m. Present were Councilwoman Rebecca Benton, Councilman Bruce Allen, Councilwoman Shannon Black, Councilman Larry Olliff, Councilman Mike Royal and Councilman Stevie Wall. City Manager Robbie Byrd, Finance Officer Chris Lightle and City Attorney Steve were also present.

The purpose of the hearing was to discuss a requested height variance for a proposed Drury Inn & Suites Hotel at 500 E. Highway 80. Mr. Scheer stated that due to the petitioner requesting that the item be postponed until November 18th and the petitioner not being present, the request could not be discussed at this time.

Therefore, the hearing adjourned at approximately 5:52 p.m.