

MINUTES

The regular scheduled meeting of the Pooler City Council was held on November 4, 2019. Mayor Mike Lamb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Councilwoman Rebecca Benton, 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 Councilwoman Black.

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

The minutes of the October 21st Executive Session were approved upon a motion by Councilwoman Benton, seconded by Councilman Royal, 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 412 calls in October, totaling 3551 for the year and that the police department responded to 1272 calls since the last meeting, totaling 24,449 for the year.

STREET/DRAINAGE

Councilwoman Benton reported that the street department picked up trash, continued sidewalk repairs on Rogers Street, removed a tree from Old Louisville Road and assisted the water department with a water leak/repared the road at Jerome Street and Benton Drive. Further, that the drainage department continued routine maintenance in the southwest quadrant, repaired a storm inlet on Towne Center Boulevard and a total of 7,020' of ditches were cut and cleaned. Also, that public works administration held three (3) pre-construction meetings, reviewed three (3) sets of plans and performed two (2) final inspections.

WATER/SEWER

Councilman Olliff reported that the water department inspected 22 new construction meters, repaired six (6) leaking laterals, repaired/replaced 26 residential meters and MXUs, notified 21 residents of continuous water usage in an effort to reduce bill adjustments and water loss, witnessed the testing and certification of 44 backflow preventers and performed 318 line locates requested by the Utility Protection Center. Further, that EOM responded to three (3) grinder pump calls, four (4) sewer leak repairs and performed routine maintenance on several lift stations and at the wastewater treatment plant.

RECREATION

Councilwoman Black reported that youth tackle football games will end this week and that registration for youth basketball has begun.

BUILDING/ZONING

Councilwoman Benton reported that 11 single family residential and six (6) commercial permits were issued since the last meeting, with 239 inspections performed.

There was no OLD BUSINESS to discuss.

Under NEW BUSINESS the following was discussed:

1. Conditional use to operate a home occupation at 270 McQueen Drive

A public hearing was held prior. Jeffrey Grant, owner, petitioned for a conditional use to operate a home occupation to allow internet based sales of firearms with customers at his home by appointment only. Mr. Grant stated that he would have no inventory at his home. After review of the criteria, Councilwoman Benton made a motion to approve the conditional use, contingent upon Mr. Grant maintaining all state and federal licenses required under current law. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wall and passed without opposition.

2. Preliminary construction plan for Westbrook Glen Subdivision

Westbrook Glen Subdivision, a portion of the Savannah Quarters PUD, Phase 10, consists of 64 single-family residential lots. Councilwoman Benton made a motion to approve the plan, contingent upon EPD approval. Motion was seconded by Councilman Olliff and passed without opposition.

3. Award bid for Miscellaneous Water Line Project

Mr. Byrd presented bids for the Miscellaneous Water Line Project. Councilman Wall made a motion to award the bid to the low bidder, Savannah River Utilities Company, in the amount of \$120,718.00. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Black and passed without opposition.

4. First Reading on ordinance regarding disposition of real property

Mr. Scheer presented an ordinance to provide for the disposition of real property (narrow strips of land). Councilwoman Benton made a motion to approve the ordinance on First Reading. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Black and passed without opposition.

Councilwoman Black made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session at approximately 6:24 p.m. to discuss personnel, legal and/or real estate matters. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wall and passed without opposition.

Mayor Lamb called the meeting back to order at 6:29 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilman Royal made a motion to adjourn at approximately 6:29 p.m. Motion was seconded by Councilman Wall 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 November 4, 2019. Mayor Mike Lamb called the hearing to order at 5:45 p.m. Present were Councilwoman Rebecca Benton, 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 conditional use to operate a home occupation at 270 McQueen Drive. The owner, Jeffrey Grant, has petitioned for a conditional use to operate a home occupation at his residence, which will be primarily internet based sales of firearms, with customers at his home by appointment only. Mr. Grant stated that his intention is to sell to law enforcement, public safety employees, friends and family and that he will have no inventory in his home.

There being no further discussion, the hearing adjourned at approximately 5:48 p.m.