



CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting – Minutes

November 2, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. | Pooler City Hall | 100 US Hwy 80 SW, Pooler, GA 31322

I. ROLL CALL/DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Rebecca Benton	Mayor	Present
Tom Hutcherson	Mayor Pro Tem	Present
Shannon Black	Councilmember	Present
Aaron Higgins	Councilmember	Present
Stevie Wall	Councilmember	Present
John Wilcher	Councilmember	Present
Karen Williams	Councilmember	Present
Robert Byrd	City Manager	Present
Steve Scheer	City Attorney	Present
Craig Call	City Attorney	Present
Chris Lightle	Finance Officer	Present
Kiley Fusco	Clerk of Council	Present

II. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rebecca Benton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

III. INVOCATION

Rev. Devin Bell of the Rothwell Baptist Church gave the invocation.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilmember Shannon Black led the pledge.

V. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

A. City Council Meeting Minutes of October 19, 2020

Councilmember Aaron Higgins moved to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2020 meeting.

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Higgins

SECONDER: Williams

AYES: Black, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wall, Wilcher, Williams

VI. REMINDERS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Rebecca Benton reminded residents that Election Day is tomorrow, November 3, and

voting hours are from 7:00 a.m.–7:00 p.m. The City of Pooler furnishes the polling locations, but the County Board of Elections should be contacted with any questions regarding voting.

VII. SPECIAL GUESTS

Mayor Rebecca Benton shared that Dr. Charles Pugh, Deputy Coroner, is running for Chatham County Coroner, and that he would have liked to attend the meeting in person but was unable due to work obligations.

- A. Marcus Thompson is running for election to the Georgia House of Representatives - District 164.
- B. Orlando Scott is running for election to the Chatham County Board of Commissioners - District 7.

VIII. PROCLAMATIONS, ORDINANCES, & RESOLUTIONS

A. Small Business Saturday Proclamation

Mayor Rebecca Benton declared November 28th as Small Business Saturday.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. Special Event Application for CURE Childhood Cancer Drive Thru Patient Family Holiday Party

Mr. Robert Byrd presented the application for approval. Councilmember Tom Hutcherson moved to waive the fee and approve the special event application.

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Hutcherson

SECONDER: Williams

AYES: Black, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wall, Wilcher, Williams

B. Special Event Application for Gun Show at the Cottonwood Suites – Savannah Hotel & Conference Center

Mr. Robert Byrd presented the application for approval. Councilmember Stevie Wall moved to table the application.

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Wall

SECONDER: Hutcherson

AYES: Black, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wall, Wilcher, Williams

C. Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Agreement Amendment, Atlantic Waste Services

Mr. Robert Byrd presented the agreement amendment for approval. This amendment would allow for an automatic contract extension for up to two (2) additional four-year terms

with Mayor and Council having the ability to terminate within 90 days via a majority vote and duly noticed meeting. This amendment would also keep the \$18.25/unit rate in place until January 1, 2022. Ben Wall, owner of Atlantic Waste Services, and Mallorie Boyd, Atlantic Waste Residential Supervisor, addressed Council regarding the renewal. Councilmember Stevie Wall moved to approve the amendment.

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Wall

SECONDER: Wilcher

AYES: Black, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wall, Wilcher, Williams

D. JABOT PUD Amendment #12

Mr. Robert Byrd stated that the petitioner has asked that this item be tabled. The public hearing was opened. Lamar Mercer, from Thomas and Hutton, offered to answer any questions from Council regarding the project. He made a correction to a previous statement made at the Planning and Zoning meeting: per the applicant, there is no intention to sell any space on the sign. Any parties interested in having their name on the sign would share the cost of construction, but there would be no ongoing revenue from sign space sales. The public hearing was then closed. Councilmember Stevie Wall moved to table the item.

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Wall

SECONDER: Wilcher

AYES: Black, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wall, Wilcher, Williams

E. Minor Subdivision Plat Approval of Outparcels 4, 5, & 6, a portion of Tract C, Pooler Parkway, LLC

Mr. Robert Byrd stated that the petitioner has asked that this item be tabled. Councilmember Aaron Higgins moved to table the item.

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Higgins

SECONDER: Williams

AYES: Black, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wall, Wilcher, Williams

X. ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember Karen Williams moved to adjourn to Executive Session. Council entered Executive Session at 6:23 p.m.

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Williams

SECONDER: Hutcherson

AYES: Black, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wall, Wilcher, Williams

Mayor Rebecca Benton called the meeting back to order at 6:48 p.m.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Aaron Higgins moved to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT: PASSED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Higgins

SECONDER: Hutcherson

AYES: Black, Higgins, Hutcherson, Wall, Wilcher, Williams

The meeting adjourned at 6:49 p.m.



Rebecca Benton, Mayor

The foregoing minutes are true and correct and approved by me on this 16 day of NOVEMBER, 2020.

Attest:



Kiley Fusco, City Clerk