

March 5, 2019

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MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Pooler City Council was held on March 5, 2019. Mayor Mike Lamb called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Present were Councilman Bruce Allen, Councilwoman Rebecca Benton, Councilwoman Shannon Black, Councilman Larry Olliff, Councilman Mike Royal and Councilman Stevie Wall. Assistant City Manager Matt Saxon, Finance Officer Chris Lightle and Attorney Craig Call, on behalf of City Attorney Steve Scheer, were also present.

The invocation was given by Councilman Allen and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Olliff.

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

The minutes of the January 23rd Executive Session were approved upon a motion by Councilman Olliff, seconded by Councilman Allen, 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 152 calls since the last meeting, totaling 624 for the year and that the police department responded to 1010 calls, totaling 4642 for the year.

STREET/DRAINAGE

Councilwoman Benton reported that the street department picked up trash, repaired potholes on Pooler Parkway, Rogers Street, Collins Street and Memorial Boulevard, performed shoulder work on Pooler Parkway and repaired the sidewalk at 160, 162 and 202 Silverton Road. Further, that the drainage department performed routine maintenance in areas of Morgan Street, Salter Street, Chatham Avenue, Newton Avenue, Symons Street and Holly Avenue, re-bottomed an abandoned driveway on Pine Barren Road, re-bottomed ditches on East Tietgen Street, cleaned a total of 6,613' of ditches, picked up trash in designated areas and that work continues on the drainage improvement project in the "old town" section and Quacco Road.

WATER/SEWER

Councilman Olliff reported that the water department inspected nine (9) new construction meters, repaired one (1) leaking main and two (2) leaking laterals, repaired 17 residential and two (2) commercial meters and MXUs, notified 52 residents of continuous water usage in an effort to reduce bill adjustments and water loss, witnessed the testing and certification of 27 backflow preventers and performed 308 line locates requested by the Utility Protection Center. Further, that EOM responded to two (2) grinder pump and five (5) sewer leak problems and performed routine maintenance on lift stations and at the wastewater treatment plant.

RECREATION

Councilwoman Black reported that registration for all spring sports has ended and that practice began March 4th.

BUILDING/ZONING

Councilman Allen reported that two (2) single family residential and six (6) commercial permits were issued since the last meeting, with 226 inspections performed.

Under OLD BUSINESS the following was discussed:

1. Second Reading on amendment to utilities ordinance

Mr. Saxon presented an amendment to the utilities (grease trap) ordinance. Councilman Olliff made a motion to approve the amendment on Second Reading. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Benton and passed without opposition.

2. Second Reading on amendment to tree protection ordinance

Mr. Saxon presented an amendment to the tree protection ordinance to provide for maintenance projects to be funded. Councilwoman Benton made a motion to approve the amendment on Second Reading. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Black and passed without opposition.

Under NEW BUSINESS the following was discussed:

1. Major subdivision plat of Parcel E-2B for 929 Properties, LLC

The purpose of the plat is to create a 60' right-of-way and four (4) future commercial parcels. The development is located southeast of the intersection of Pooler Parkway and Memorial Boulevard. Nathan Long presented the plat. Councilman Wall expressed concern over the entrance being too close to the I-16 off ramp, noting that the access is a public safety issue. Mr. Long stated that the deed from the 1990s includes an access right to Pooler Parkway and it would have not been approved if it was unsafe. Councilman Allen questioned the number of accidents that have occurred, wherein Police Chief Ashley Brown replied that there have been at least 146 over the past three (3) years. After discussion, Councilman Wall made a motion to deny the plat. Motion was seconded by Councilman Allen and passed without opposition.

2. Site plan for Godley Station Professional Park Expansion

Terry Coleman and Doug Faircloth of Coleman Company presented a site plan for a 5.5 acre development consisting of two (2) 16,000 sq. ft. buildings located on the corner of Towne Center Boulevard and Godley Station Boulevard South. Councilman Wall made a motion to approve the site plan, contingent upon the landscape plan being revised and resubmitted to Planning & Zoning for approval and NRCS approval. Motion was seconded by Councilman Olliff and passed without opposition.

3. Acceptance of maintenance bond/approval of final plat for The Farm at Morgan Lakes, Phase 1C

The developer submitted a final plat for Phase 1C of The Farm at Morgan Lakes consisting of 52 single-family lots. An inspection was performed on February 18th. Councilman Wall made a motion to accept the maintenance bond in the amount of \$51,330.00 and approve the final plat, contingent upon the city attorney approving the bond. Motion was seconded by Councilman Royal and passed without opposition.

4. Site plan for warehouse on Morgan Lakes Industrial Boulevard

A 499,500 sq. ft. warehouse is proposed on Morgan Lakes Industrial Boulevard. Mr. Saxon stated that Planning & Zoning recommended approval, contingent upon \$126,750.00 being paid into the tree fund or allow the developer to amend the landscape plan to add additional trees, the berm along Jimmy DeLoach Parkway being completed prior to the final inspection and NRCS approval. Dan Valentine of Kern Company stated that the landscape plan is going to be revised. Therefore, Councilwoman Benton made a motion, seconded by Councilman Royal, to table the plan. Motion passed without opposition.

5. Alcoholic beverage license for Nelish Patel at Holiday Inn & Suites

Nelish Patel submitted an application to serve alcoholic beverages at the restaurant at Holiday Inn on San Drive. Mr. Saxon stated that Chief Brown has performed the background investigation and recommends approval. Councilman Wall made a motion, seconded by Councilman Olliff, to approve the license, including Sunday sales. Motion passed with Councilman Allen in opposition.

6. Alcoholic beverage license for Radhika Maitraye Amin at Marathon Food Mart

Radhika Maitraye Amin submitted an application to sell beer and wine at the Marathon Food Mart at 231 E. Highway 80. Mr. Saxon stated that Chief Brown has performed the background investigation and recommends approval. Councilman Royal made a motion, seconded by Councilman Wall, to approve the license. Motion passed with Councilman Allen in opposition.

7. Special event permit for carnival at Tanger Outlets on April 4th through 7th

Southwood Entertainment Group submitted an application for a four (4) day carnival at Tanger Outlets. Councilman Royal made a motion to approve the permit, contingent upon the security plan being approved by the police chief. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Black and passed without opposition.

8. Award bid for 2018 audit

Mr. Lightle presented bids for the performance of the 2018 audit. Councilman Wall made a motion to award the bid to Mauldin & Jenkins. Motion was seconded by Councilman Olliff and passed without opposition.

9. Rental Agreement with AMJ Leasing, LLC for police department copier upgrade

Mr. Saxon presented a rental agreement for the police department copier upgrade. Councilman Royal made a motion, seconded by Councilman Olliff, to approve the agreement. Motion passed without opposition.

Councilman Olliff made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session at approximately 6:48 p.m. to discuss personnel, legal and real estate matters. Motion was seconded by Councilman Royal and passed without opposition.

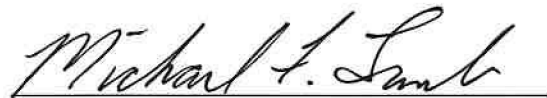
Mayor Lamb called the meeting back to order at 7:25 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss, Councilman Allen made a motion to adjourn at approximately 7:25 p.m. Motion was seconded by Councilwoman Benton and passed without opposition.

Respectfully submitted,



Maribeth Lindler
City Clerk



Mayor