



MINUTES
Cochran City Council
July 14, 2020
Regular Scheduled Meeting @ 7PM

City Auditorium, 102 N Second Street, Cochran, GA 31014

Present: Mayor Billy Yeomans Mayor Pro Tem Jones

Councilmembers: Rufus Veal, Carla Coley, Keith Anderson, Gary Ates, Jimmy Jones, Andrew Lemmon

Call to order by Mayor Billy Yeomans @ 7:00PM

The invocation was given by Councilmember Anderson followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilmembers.

Mayor called for a motion to approve the July 14, 2020 agenda as presented. Councilmember Ates made the motion to approve the agenda with Councilmember Jones seconding the motion.

Motion passed 6-0

June 9, 2020 minutes.

Mayor called for a motion to approve the minutes from June 9, 2020 Regular Scheduled Meeting. Councilmember Ates made the motion to accept 6/9/20 minutes as presented with Councilmember Lemmon seconding the motion. Motion passed with all voting in favor. 6-0

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- I. Call to Order by the Mayor**
 - II. Invocation**
 - III. Pledge of Allegiance**
 - IV. Attendance**
 - V. Adopt Agenda**
 - VI. Agenda Items**

ITEM# 1 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Employee of the Month. Police Chief Jeff Trawick presented the Employee of the month to Police Officer, Dillon Waldroup with a certificate, a Subway gift card and \$100 check. He thanked Officer Waldroup for the good work he was doing.

ITEM #2 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider rescheduling Clean-up Day & Scrap Tire Amnesty. Mr. Newbern spoke on the issue of Clean Up Day. The grant from EPD is still valid for the tire amnesty and it will pay all the City's expenses of hauling off scrap tires from Cochran's citizens. City Council is asked to consider a date for clean-up day. Motion was made by Councilmember Lemmon for Richard to work with the Chamber of Commerce to set a date of September 19, 2020 for Clean Up Day and seconded by Councilmember Veal.

Motion passed with all voting in favor. 6-0

ITEM # 3- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Resolution to apply for Rural Tax Credit for downtown Cochran. The city is in the position to fill another application this year, Rural Zone Tax Credit, House Bill 73. Councilmember Ates made the motion with Councilmember Jones seconding the motion. Motion passed with all voting in favor. 6-0.

ITEM # 4 - Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider awarding bid to Dykes Grassing Paving Company for the 2020 GDOT LMIG street segment resurfacing program. Councilmember Ates made the motion with Councilmember Anderson seconding the motion. Motion passed with all voting in favor. 6-0.

ITEM # 5- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider approving financial bond contract with the Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia. Councilmember Jones made the motion with Councilmember Lemmon seconding the motion. Motion passed with all voting in favor. 6- 0

ITEM # 6- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider work schedule at City Administration Offices. Councilmember Jones made the motion with Councilmember Ates seconding the motion. Motion passed with all voting in favor. 6-0

ITEM # 7- Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern

Consider a recommendation every person wear mask or face covering while in public as well as practice social distancing.

Council Discussion Items:

- Lemmon –Asked Willie Farrow about the stops signs with lights around them
- Jones – None
- Coley – None
- Anderson – Not take COVID lightly. Be safe.
- Veal – Mentioned to add the moving of the chairs in the Auditorium to the agenda.
- Ates – Everyone to stay safe during COVID

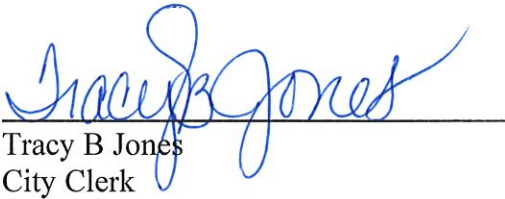
Councilmember Veal made a motion to add number 10 on the agenda to consider removal of the first two row of the auditorium seats and the back two rows with Council member Ates seconded the motion. Motion was passed 5-Approved (Veal, Anderson, Ates, Jones, Lemmon) with 1-Not Approving (Coley)

Announcement of Upcoming Meeting and Events

- ✓ **Work Session Prior to Council Meeting July 14, 2020 @ 5:30PM**
- ✓ **Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting –July 14, 2020 @ 7PM**

Councilmember Ates made a motion to adjourn with Councilmember Jones seconding the motion.

Meeting adjourned @ 8:34PM


Tracy B Jones
City Clerk

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