



CITY OF KINGSLAND, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES • MAY 11, 2015

Regular Meeting

City Council Chamber

6:00 PM

107 South Lee Street - City Hall, Kingsland, GA 31548

I. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME GUESTS

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Mayor Pro Tem Blount gave the Invocation and led the audience in the Pledge to the Flag.

III. ROLL CALL

Kenneth E Smith Sr
Alex Blount
Jim McClain
Charles Grayson Day Jr

Mayor
Mayor Pro Tem
City Councilman
City Councilman

IV. CONSENT DOCKET

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Charles Grayson Day Jr, City Councilman
SECONDER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

- A. Approve the Council Minutes of the last regular Council Meeting
- B. Approve the Agenda as Presented
- C. Approve the Payments of Accounts Payable as Due and Funds Available

V. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Tom Canning, 410 Point Peter Road, St. Marys addressed the Mayor and City Council. Mr. Canning highlighted the dates for voting and registration for the upcoming Special Election, and he asked for volunteers for his "Get Out The Vote" team.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

None

VII. PLANNING AND ZONING

1. Adoption Of: Resolution #2015-08: Resolution Accepting Property -

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
SECONDER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

2. Approval Of: Quit-Claim Deed Between Citizens State Bank and COK -

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

3. APPLICATION FOR HOME OCCUPATION – Stacy Brantley -

Stacy Brantley, 892 May Creek Dr is requesting a Home Occupation Permit for “Sew Much and More”. Zoning is R-1. Planning Commission Recommends Approval.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
SECONDER: Charles Grayson Day Jr, City Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

4. APPLICATION FOR HOME OCCUPATION – Natausha Saylor -

Natausha Saylor, 105 Bright Morning Ct is requesting a Home Occupation Permit for “Jade Grace”, making handmade little girls dresses & outfits. Zoning is R-1. Planning Commission Recommends Approval.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Charles Grayson Day Jr, City Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

5. APPLICATION FOR HOME OCCUPATION – Jeffery S Lightfoot -

Jeffery S Lightfoot, 70 Pecan St is requesting a Home Occupation Permit for “Yard Scapes”, a yard care and landscaping business. Zoning is R-5. No one was present to represent the applicant for the second time. Planning Commission Recommends Denial.

RESULT: DENIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
SECONDER: Charles Grayson Day Jr, City Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

6. APPLICATION FOR HOME OCCUPATION – Adam Mathis -

Adam Mathis, 127 Lakewood Dr is requesting a Home Occupation Permit for “Bigger than the Sky Designs” printing and selling T-Shirts online. Zoning is R-1. No one was present to represent the applicant for the second time. Planning Commission Recommends Denial.

RESULT: DENIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
SECONDER: Charles Grayson Day Jr, City Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. APPROVAL OF: FY 2014/15 Mid-Year Budget Revisions -

Councilman McClain made a motion to discuss the mid-year budget revisions. Councilman Blount seconded the motion.

Councilman McClain stated he would like a little more time to look at the details and he spoke with the Finance Director before the meeting who stated it would not be a problem.

Councilman McClain made a motion to table this item until the next meeting. Councilman Day seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

RESULT: TABLED [UNANIMOUS] **Next: 6/8/2015 6:00 PM**
MOVER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
SECONDER: Charles Grayson Day Jr, City Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

2. Proclamation: Honoring Mental Health Month, May 2015 -

Mayor Smith read the Proclamation. Ms. Elaine Powierski received the Proclamation and addressed the Mayor and City Council about the issues with mental health.

3. Proclamation: National Public Works Week, May 17 - 23, 2015 -

Mayor Smith read the Proclamation and congratulated the Department of Public Works.

4. Approval - MOU Service Agreement for IT Services -

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Charles Grayson Day Jr, City Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

5. Adoption Of: Ordinance 2015-07 - an Ordinance to Amend Ordinance #2015-06
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Establishing Water and/or Sewer rate schedules, deposits, service rules, cut-on and cut-off procedures for locations within and outside the City of Kingsland and for other purposes.

Councilman Blount made a motion for discussion. Councilman Day seconded the motion.

Councilman Blount stated that under Section 1, Septic Tank Waste Disposal Fee Schedule he suggested the rate should be changed from \$30.00 to a \$5.00 connection fee.

Councilman Day stated the city needs to shift the rate to make it cost effective.

Councilman McClain stated he would go along with it on a trial basis, but he is concerned about how much this could cost the city.

Councilman Blount asked Mr. Lee Spell, City Manager to come back to the Mayor and City Council in six months with these numbers.

Councilman Blount made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2015-07 with the change from \$30.00 to \$5.00 and leave the .04 cents a gallon. Councilman McClain seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

6. Adoption Of: Ordinance #2015-08 - Kingsland Code of Ethics - Mayor Pro Tem Alex Blount

Councilman Blount stated that he and Mr. Lee Spell, City Manager are currently working on one Ethics Ordinance. This ordinance will be compiled from the Georgia Municipal Association's sample ordinance and the City of St. Mary's Ordinance. Councilman Blount stated our current Ethic's Board of three (3) people could be a conflict of interest when your talking about specific complaints about an elected official; and what is in the draft version of the new ordinance is a six (6) person board. Each Council Member and the Mayor appointing one person and the Camden Bar Association appointing the sixth, Councilman Blount stated it would be more

beneficial to the members to have someone who is more comfortable in those types of discussion.

Councilman McClain stated that he felt the current ordinance works well, primarily because there is a gatekeeper who reviews complaints to determine if they are valid. Councilman McClain stated he thought it allowed the city to be more efficient and would spend less time on frivolous complaints.

Councilman Day stated he agrees that changes need to be made and he felt that St. Marys was wise and was a good model to follow. Councilman Day stated that in the spirit of transparency that the council should not weigh in on anything having to do with ethics.

Mayor Smith stated he never handled ethics complaints on his own, he consulted with the department head and the City Attorney. Mayor Smith said he does not have a problem with a six (6) person board and would do whatever it takes to remain transparent.

Councilman Blount made a motion to postpone this item until the June 8, 2015 meeting. Councilman Day seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

RESULT:	REMOVED [UNANIMOUS]	Next: 6/8/2015 6:00 PM
MOVER:	Alex Blount, Charles Grayson Day Jr	
AYES:	Blount, McClain, Day Jr	

7. Bid Award: Knuckle Boom Trash Loader with Dump Body -

Staff recommends awarding the bid to the low bidder, TransPro for the 2016 Kenworth T370, 30 CUYD.

The Bid Award was awarded to the low bidder, TransPro.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	Charles Grayson Day Jr, City Councilman
AYES:	Blount, McClain, Day Jr

8. Purchase Approval: Refurbish Street Sweeper (Sole Source) -

Staff recommends purchase with additional options.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Charles Grayson Day Jr, City Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

9. Resolution of Support - Tarrow Greene Limited Partnership - Mayor Kenneth E Smith Sr

A resolution to endorse an application by Tarrow Greene Limited Partnership to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs for the 2015 low income housing tax credit program for the construction of the Tarrow Greene multifamily complex to be located at Camden Woods Parkway, Kingsland, Georgia.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Charles Grayson Day Jr, City Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

10. Election of GMA District 12 Officers for 2015-2016 -

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

11. Mayor and Council Voting Delegate (Proxy) for GMA Annual Savannah Membership Business Meeting -

Councilman Blount made a motion that Mayor Smith serve as the delegate. Councilman Day seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

12. Cancellation of City Council Meeting May 25, 2015 - Memorial Day -

Meeting will be cancelled on May 25, 2015 due to Memorial Day Holiday.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr

IX. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

None

X. ADJOURNED

Councilman Blount made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Day seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

Kenneth E. Smith, Sr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda M. O'Shaughnessy, City Clerk