



CITY OF KINGSLAND, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES • JULY 13, 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

Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Reverend Councilman Ham 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
James Ham

Mayor
Mayor Pro Tem
City Councilman
City Councilman
Councilman

IV. CONSENT DOCKET

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

- 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

No one came forward to speak.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

None

VII. PLANNING AND ZONING

1. APPLICATION FOR HOME OFFICE – Jaclyn Genest -

Jaclyn Genest, 505 Caney Heights Ct is requesting a Home Office Permit for “Wheel Be Right There” a delivery/courier service using personal vehicles. Zoning is PD/R-3. No one was present for the second month. Planning Commission recommends denial.

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

2. APPLICATION FOR HOME OFFICE – Kim Rust -

Kim Rust, 172 Huntington Dr is requesting a Home Office Permit for “The Cottage Wall” a home craft business. Zoning is R-1. No one was present to represent the applicant for the second month. Planning Commission made a recommendation to deny.

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

3. APPLICATION FOR HOME OFFICE – William Matthew Coots -

William Matthew Coots, 209 Chestnut Ct is requesting a Home Office Permit for “Bay Painting”. Zoning is PD/R-1. Applicant has no employees and will store his supplies in a work van. Planning Commission made a recommendation for approval.

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

4. APPLICATION FOR YARD VARIANCE – David Henery -

David Henery, of 120 Summerfield Dr. is requesting a variance in Section 70.1 dealing with yard setbacks to allow him to construct a garage/workshop facing Wood Hollow Rd. Front yard requested reduction is from 17' to 12'. Zoning is R-1. Applicant is returning because he discovered that the road right-of-way widths in his subdivision were 60' not 50' resulting in the loss of 5' on each road frontage from what he thought he had petitioned previously for. By taking advantage of his house not being true with the road, he can get by with this further request. 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, Ham

5. APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE – Roy Zeigler -

Roy Zeigler, 202 Fern Ct is requesting a variance in Section 58.2 relating to placement of boats, trailers, and RVs behind the front yard line. Zoning is R-1. Applicant owns a wedge lot on a three lot cul-de-sac. He can reach his backyard only by infringing on his neighbor's yard. There are no safety issues since it is at the end of a cul-de-sac. 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, Ham

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval Of: Resolution #2015-09, Qualifying Dates and Times for General Election - City Clerk Linda Oshaughnessy

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

2. Kingsland Police Department SOP - Body Worn Camera Policy -

Councilman McClain asked for a discussion.

Councilman McClain asked Chief Griffis, Kingsland Police Department how will the new body cameras work and inquired as to how it was received in the department. Chief Griffis stated that an open records request would be required before anything was made available to the public. The product was well received in his department; and it will integrate with the existing systems already in the police cars.

Councilman Ham stated that this may take a lot of tension to another level and wanted the public aware and asked if Chief Griffis would work with Pastor Moore.

Chief Griffis stated he applied for grant money and hopes to use the funds to notify the public and be open and transparent.

Councilman McClain asked Mr. Bill Carreira, IT Director if there was enough storage in our system. Mr. Carreira assured him there was.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
SECONDER: James Ham, Councilman
AYES: Blount, McClain, Day Jr, Ham

3. Bid Award: Financing of Five (5) Dodge Charger Police Cars with Equipment -
Councilman Blount made a motion to award the bid on the staff recommendation of BB&T via GMA. Councilman McClain seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

4. Approval Of: Resolution #2015-10, Resolution for Supplemental Leases -
Finance Director Filiz Morrow

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

5. Discussion: Medic Units - Mayor Pro Tem Alex Blount

Councilman Blount stated that it was time to discuss this since budget prep work is starting and he felt this is for the benefit of Chief Smith, Lee Spell and Filiz Morrow; they will need some guidance. Councilman Blount stated that soon the trucks would be back from the county and the city needs to have a plan; and it has been suggested that the city retool the trucks.

Councilman Blount reported that the back-up medic unit was dispatched from January through June a total of seven (7) times, with a net loss of \$40,000.

Councilman Day stated he would like to have the city re-purpose these vehicles where they can be used.

Mayor Smith asked if setting a time line of the next meeting would give Councilman Ham a chance to get up to speed on this.

Councilman McClain asked Bill Coleman, Department of Public Works if these trucks would help him. Mr. Coleman and Mr. Ronnie Wise, Fleet Director stated they would.

Mayor Smith stated that hopefully this will be finalized by the next meeting.

IX. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

Councilman Day thanked the Police Department, Fire Department and Para- medics from the City of Kingsland, City of St. Marys and the County for their work with the number of fires in recent weeks. Councilman Day stated he appreciates what they do.

Councilman Blount stated he received a call from a tax payer regarding a mess that our equipment made and the tax payer reported that Public Works and Fleet responded immediately and did great work cleaning it up.

X. ADJOURNED

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:27 P.M.

Kenneth E. Smith, Sr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda M. O'Shaughnessy, City Clerk