



# CITY OF KINGSLAND, GEORGIA

## CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES • OCTOBER 26, 2015

Regular Meeting

City Council Chamber

6:00 PM

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

### I. PUBLIC HEARING - STARTS AT 6:00PM

Mayor Smith called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00 PM.

#### 1. ALCOHOL LICENSE: -

The City of Kingsland, Georgia will conduct a public hearing on Monday October 26, 2015 at 6:00p.m. For the purpose of considering the application for packaged to go beer & wine license. This packaged to go beer & wine license is for Flash Foods #188 located at 1351 Highway 40-East Kingsland, Georgia 31548

No one came forward to speak regarding the alcohol license.

#### 2. ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT - Amendment Proposal to Add 'Turkey Shoots' - Amendment Proposal to Add 'Turkey Shoots' to List of Special Permit Uses Allowed in the C-2 General Commercial District. Mr. Fullilove Desired an Amendment to the Proposal Reading: "The Site Will be Inspected for Appropriateness by the Kingsland Police Before Planning Commission Recommendation." There was Consent to This Change. -

Mr. Wesley Liles, 706 E. Bay Avenue addressed the Mayor and City Council. Mr. Liles stated that the Turkey Shoot has been a long standing tradition in the city, it promotes camaraderie and it has always been safe. Mr. Liles stated he hoped the Council would support it.

Mr. Ben Casey, 403 Vacunna Road addressed the Mayor and City Council with his concerns. Mr. Casey stated that he has no problem with the shoot in general. His complaint is that the Planning and Zoning Commission did not define "appropriateness" and it is against the law to shoot a weapon in the City of Kingsland's commercial districts. Mr. Casey stated there is plenty of land to the west that is available and he suggested it be opened up for more competition. Mr. Casey referred to the city's code which he feels is in conflict with other laws.

Mr. James Casey, 162 Vacunna Road, addressed the Mayor and City Council and he stated when firearms are being shot at the armory I hear it in my house. Mr. Casey stated the city is going to infringe on his rights.

Mr. Douglas Pelsang, 32 Bark Street addressed the Mayor and City Council stating that the armory is 900 feet from his address and he has lived there for four years and wanted the Council to know that he does not see any reason to prohibit this past time due to noise. Mr. Pelsang stated past times are what makes our community as long as they are safe.

Ms. Davis, 2450 Oakwell Road addressed the Mayor and City Council. Ms. Davis stated that it is hard to raise money for non- profits. Davis and Sons has raised money for many non- profits through the years; and the money that is raised is put to good use.

No one else came forward to speak.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:18 PM.

## **II. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME GUESTS**

Mayor Smith Called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:18 PM.

## **III. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG**

Reverend Councilman Ham gave the Invocation and led the audience in the Pledge to the Flag.

## **IV. ROLL CALL**

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| Jim McClain            | City Councilman |
| Charles Grayson Day Jr | City Councilman |
| James Ham              | City Councilman |
| Kenneth E Smith Sr     | Mayor           |

## **V. CONSENT DOCKET**

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| <b>RESULT:</b>   | <b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>             |
| <b>MOVER:</b>    | Charles Grayson Day Jr, City Councilman |
| <b>SECONDER:</b> | James Ham, City Councilman              |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | 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

## **VI. RECOGNITION**

1. Oath of Office: Daniel Chaney, Kingsland Police Department -

Officer Chaney was administered the Oath of Office by Linda O'Shaughnessy, City Clerk.

2. Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting to Finance Department, City of Kingsland -

Mayor Smith spoke of the award that the Finance Department has received, The Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. Ms. Filiz Morrow and Ms. Cindy McCullough represented the Finance Department. This was the eleventh year in a row that the Finance Department has received this distinction.

## VII. PRESENTATION

1. Downtown Facade Grant Award - DDA Director Trish Jared

Presentation of \$1000 grant award to Beverly Cleveland, owner of 110 W. King Avenue, from the Kingsland Downtown Development Authority.

Ms. Trish Jared, Downtown Development Director presented Ms. Beverly Cleveland with a \$1,000 Facade Grant Award.

2. Grant Award: FY15 Body-Worn Camera Policy and Implementation Program Grant -

Camden County Collaborative Body-Worn Camera Pilot & Implementation Program, \$69,000

Chief Griffis, Kingsland Police Department addressed the Mayor and City Council regarding the grant award received for body cameras.

Chief stated that it was a collaborative effort with St. Marys and the County Sheriff's Department. Chief Griffis stated with this award his department will be able to purchase fifteen (15) more cameras which should ensure all officers on patrol have a camera. Chief stated it is a 50/50 grant and the matching money from the city has been allocated.

3. Living Well Clinic Report -

Ms. Katie Howard, Camden County addressed the Mayor and City Council. Ms. Howard stated that the City of Kingsland turned in net savings this year. Ms. Howard stated there was an up-tick once the grass roots approach was made to each department explaining the clinic and its use to all city employees.

## VIII. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Ben Casey, 403 Vacunna Road addressed the Mayor and City Council. Mr. Casey stated the Special Use Permit sign has a date of October 5, 2015 on it. Mr. Casey stated the meeting was improperly advertised he saw nothing in the Tribune which is the local legal organ. Mr. Casey stated his history with Mr. Davis is that Mr. Davis does not do what he says he would do and his actions do not match up with his words.

Mr. Kessler, Director of Planning and Zoning stated that advertising needs to be done at least ten (10) days before a Public Hearing and this was advertised.

Mr. Wesley Liles addressed the Mayor and City Council and stated that this is not a firing range it is a seasonal turkey shoot.

## IX. OLD BUSINESS

None

## X. PLANNING AND ZONING

### 1. APPLICATION FOR HOME OCCUPATION – Taner F. Mesec -

302 Mission Forest Dr is requesting a Home Occupation Permit for “Hammer Time Maintenance”. Zoning is R-1. This is a handyman business with Mr. Mesec’s equipment stored in his garage. Planning Commission Recommends Approval.

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| <b>SECONDER:</b> | Jim McClain, City Councilman            |
| <b>AYES:</b>     | McClain, Day Jr, Ham                    |

### 2. APPLICATION FOR HOME OCCUPATION – Amber Angeloni -

**Amber Angeloni**, 209 Lake Jordan West is requesting a Home Occupation Permit for “Saltwater Dreamscapes” a watercolor and acrylic artist selling at fairs and markets. Zoning is R-1. Planning Commission Recommends Approval.

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### 3. APPLICATION FOR HOME OCCUPATION – Rebecca and David Heatherly -

**Rebecca and David Heatherly**, 122 Rising Mist Way is requesting a Home Occupation Permit for “Sew DeVinyl Creations”. Zoning is R-1. Mostly embroidery to be sold at craft shows and festivals. Planning Commission Recommends Approval.

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

4. ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENT – ‘Turkey Shoots’ -

Mr. Howard Davis, 5035 Clark Bluff road stated that the turkey shoot will start the last Friday in September and go through the Saturday before Thanksgiving. Friday and Saturday only.

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

5. 1480 : ORDINANCE # 2015-16 -Turkey Shoots -

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

6. APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL USE – Howard Davis -

**Howard Davis**, 130 Scrubby Bluff Rd is requesting a Special Use Permit to operate turkey shoots for the Thanksgiving season. Zoning is C-2. Mr. Davis explained his proposal presenting a letter and a picture of the site.

Ben Casey spoke in opposition citing a City ordinance prohibiting the firing of weapons in the City and the presence of mobile homes adjacent to the site. He stated that Mr. Davis did not follow his promises when it was a shooting range permitted by the County. He stated that turkey shoots were not bad but anything more would be. Douglas Pelsang, a resident of Palmetto Pines spoke in favor stating that he and his then pregnant wife had no problems when the range was previously operated. He compared it to the noise coming from the high school football field.. Clarence Cody is one of the longest tenants of Palmetto Pines. He stated that he was not bothered by the shooting range. Bill Crews, a past operator of turkey shoots, stated that they were family oriented and had no incidents. Virginia Thomas lives next to the proposed range and has gone to shoots. She stated that noise was not a problem. Mr. Davis stated that the County is planning a gun range and he does not plan any expansion. Planning Commission Recommends Approval.

Councilman Day stated for the record he wants to be certain that there is no firing after 10:00 PM as Application states.

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

7. APPLICATION FOR FINAL PLAT – F&C of Aiken, LLC -

**APPLICATION FOR FINAL PLAT - Bennett Surveying, Inc.** Requests consideration for a final plat consisting of 4 lots on 11.19 acres for a retail development on Ken Gay Drive on behalf of F&C of Aiken, LLC. Zoning will be I-L. Mr. Kessler explained some shifts from the preliminary plat concerning road alignment to match City plans for the extension of Middle School Road. Planning Commission Recommends Approval.

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

8. APPLICATION FOR FINAL PLAT – Fairways Edge -

**APPLICATION FOR FINAL PLAT - Bennett Surveying, Inc.** Requests consideration for a final plat consisting of 31 lots on 18 acres within Fairways Edge subdivision. Zoning is PD/R-1. This is phases 1C and 1D. Planning Commission Recommends Approval.

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

9. Approval Of: Application for Deannexation, Tax Map 094 Parcels 019K and 019L Shown as 3.16 Acres and 8.31 Acres, Property Owned by Durand S. Tanner. -

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

10. Adoption Of: Ordinance #2015-15 - to Deannex Tanner Tract by the City of Kingsland -

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

## XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Proclamation: October, Domestic Violence Awareness Month -

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

2. Approval Of: Alcohol Beverage License - Packaged to Go Beer and Wine License for Flash Foods #188 Located at 1351 Highway 40 East, Kingsland, Georgia, Manager Mr. Garrett W. Crumpton. -

Councilman Ham wanted it on the record that he is not for alcohol, but realizes people have to make a living.

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

3. Bid Award: Asphalt Resurfacing Project-LMIG 2014 -  
Includes William Ave, South Satilla Street, and Chestnut Court  
Seaboard Construction Company was awarded the bid.

**RESULT:** APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Jim McClain, City Councilman  
**SECONDER:** Charles Grayson Day Jr, City Councilman  
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4. Bid Award: One-Ton Chlorine Cylinders (50+ Tons, Annual Contract) -  
Staff recommends low bid of \$17,500, JCI-Jones Chemical, Inc. Funded by Water/Sewer Operations Fund.  
JCI-Jones Chemical, Inc was awarded the bid.

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

5. Bid Award: Firefighter Physical Examinations -

Councilman Day made a motion to award the bid to Amelia Medical Care. Councilman McClain seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

6. Declare Surplus Item: Scrap Metal -

Declare miscellaneous items located at J&A Sons Recycling as scrap metal for sale at next auction.

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

## **XII. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT**

Councilman Ham stated that on the first of November 6,000 people will be released from prison. Councilman Ham wants Camden County to think about the homeless problem we have and what we can do for this problem.

Councilman McClain stated that Camden County was recognized today as the first Coast Guard Community in the Nation. He thanked Ms. Tonya Rosado Harvey, Tourism Director and The Department of Public Works for putting this magnificent event together. Councilman McClain stated that the economy is showing signs of a come back.

Mayor Smith stated "ditto" and relayed that Exit Three would remain open this coming weekend for the Florida/Georgia weekend.

## **XIII. ADJOURNED**

Councilman Ham made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Day seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.

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Kenneth E. Smith, Sr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Linda M. O'Shaughnessy, City Clerk