



CITY OF KINGSLAND, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES • MAY 8, 2017

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 PM.

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Reverend Belcher gave the Invocation and Isaiah Clark with Boy Scout Troop 226 led the audience in the Pledge to the Flag.

III. ROLL CALL

Kenneth E Smith Sr
Charles Grayson Day Jr.
James Ham
Jim McClain
Richard A. Winters

Mayor
Mayor Pro Tem
City Councilman (Absent)
City Councilman
City Councilman

IV. CONSENT DOCKET

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Charles Grayson Day Jr., Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Richard A. Winters, City Councilman
AYES: Day Jr., McClain, Winters

- A. Approve the Council Minutes of the last regular Council Meeting
 - 1. City Council - Regular Meeting - Apr 24, 2017 6:00 PM -
 - 2. City Council - Special Called Meeting - May 1, 2017 5:00 PM -
- B. Approve the Agenda as Presented
- C. Approve the Payments of Accounts Payable as Due and Funds Available

V. RECOGNITION

- 1. Georgia Fire Chief Certification - Chief Terry Smith -

Mayor Smith presented Chief Smith with his State of Georgia Fire Chief's Certification.

VI. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

Mr. Keith Post, Executive Director of St. Marys Submarine Museum addressed the Mayor and City Council.

Mr. Post spoke briefly of the honors flight with Veterans he took to Washington DC and encouraged Veterans to apply next year, it is free for Veterans.

Mr. Post stated he just returned from Atlanta where he met with Senator Perdue about concerns with budgeting, etc with different bases across the state; Mr. Post explained that Georgia is number five (5) in the country for budgeting for military people. Mr. Post said he is asking the Mayor and Council to support the Camden Partnership and thanking them for the Resolution on the Agenda. Mr. Post stated what the Camden Partnership does for Camden County is crucial with a 1.14 billion dollar impact. Mr. Post explained the other areas with bases have representation and if we do not fund the Camden Partnership we will be left without representation and no one to fight for Camden County in the budgeting.

Mr. Post went over other details and asked the Mayor and Council to please support the Resolution.

No one else came forward to speak.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None

VIII. PLANNING AND ZONING

1. APPLICATION FOR HOME OCCUPATION – Natassia Green -

Natassia Green, 115 Magnolia Ct is requesting a Home Occupation Permit for Blissfully Good Candles. Zoning is PD/R-2. Applicant plans to advertise through social media and sell about 200 candles per week through online sales. Planning Commission recommends approval.

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

2. APPLICATION FOR HOME OCCUPATION – Joshua Smith -

Joshua Smith, 82 Rocky's Place is requesting a Home Occupation Permit for JustForYou Lawn Service. Zoning is R-5. Equipment will be stored in a shed and on a trailer behind a fence. Planning Commission recommends approval.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Charles Grayson Day Jr., Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Richard A. Winters, City Councilman
AYES: Day Jr., McClain, Winters

3. APPLICATION FOR REZONING, Phyliss & E Wayne McAdams -

Phyliss & E Wayne McAdams are requesting rezoning of Tax Parcels K26 06 009 and 002A at 511 S May St, a 0.42 acre tract. Zoning is currently R-1. Proposed zoning is R-2 to allow construction of a duplex structure. Mr. Thrift plans to purchase the properties, combine them and build a duplex with 3 bedrooms and 1400 square feet of heated space in each unit. Mr. Hortman objected to other than a single family being built on the property as he felt it would hurt property values. Planning Commission recommends approval.

Mr. Ken Kessler, Director of Planning and Zoning stated that eleven (11) letter went out and only Mr. Hortman showed up.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
SECONDER: Richard A. Winters, City Councilman
AYES: Day Jr., McClain, Winters

4. APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE, Christina L Betz -

Christina L Betz is requesting a variance on Tax Parcel K21 05 001 at 400 E King Ave of restrictions on the location of a Veterinary Clinic as found in Section 61.2.3(14). Zoning is C-2. Proposed variance is from 100 feet to 25 feet for the separation of any structure or open area used for such purpose from a residential district. This was once a dental office. Applicant desires a home base for her mobile practice. There will be no boarding. She does plan a fenced in area for walking dogs during recovery. Planning Commission recommends approval.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Richard A. Winters, City Councilman
SECONDER: Charles Grayson Day Jr., Mayor Pro Tem
AYES: Day Jr., McClain, Winters

5. APPLICATION FOR REZONING, Tri City Land Development -

Tri City Land Development is requesting rezoning of Tax Parcel K19 01 002B at 516 W William Ave, a 3.16 acre tract. Zoning is currently C-2. Proposed zoning is I-L and use is light manufacturing in 6000 sq feet of the existing 19,000 sq ft structure. Mr. Bill Gross stated that he planned to pursue getting access to King Ave directly across from Henrietta. He is trying to get assistance from two adjacent property owners and an assurance of a contract before proceeding. The Joint Development Authority has approved incentives for the prospect who will hire up to 20 employees. Planning Commission recommends approval.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Charles Grayson Day Jr., Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Richard A. Winters, City Councilman
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IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval Of: FY 2016/17 Mid-Year Budget Revisions -

RESULT: **ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
SECONDER: Charles Grayson Day Jr., Mayor Pro Tem
AYES: Day Jr., McClain, Winters

2. Approval Of: Resolution #2017-07 of the Mayor and Council of the City of Kingsland, Georgia, Authorizing the Financing of Certain Vehicles and Equipment through a Lease Purchase Agreement to be Entered into with Ameris Bank. -

Staff recommends approval.

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

3. Approval Of: District 12 Georgia Municipal Association's Election of Officers for 2017-2018 -

Staff is neutral on this.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
SECONDER: Richard A. Winters, City Councilman
AYES: Day Jr., McClain, Winters

4. Approval Of: Agreement for Automatic Aid and Mutual Aid Response Areas -
Staff recommends approval.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Richard A. Winters, City Councilman
SECONDER: Charles Grayson Day Jr., Mayor Pro Tem
AYES: Day Jr., McClain, Winters

5. Approval Of: Virtual Academy Agreement - Police Chief Darryl Griffis
Agreement between Virtual Academy and the Kingsland Police Department for on-line law enforcement training. Staff recommends approval.

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

6. Bid Award: Asphalt Resurfacing - LMIG 2017 -
Bid Award for 2017 LMIG Asphalt Resurfacing project. Staff recommends low bidder, SeaBoard Construction @ \$230,284.07.

The bid was awarded to Seaboard.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Charles Grayson Day Jr., Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER: Richard A. Winters, City Councilman
AYES: Day Jr., McClain, Winters

7. Adoption Of: Joint Resolution by the Cities of Kingsland, St. Marys, and Woodbine in Support of Maintaining the Joint Development Authority Military Liaison -

Staff is neutral on this.

Mayor Smith asked for a discussion on this matter.

Councilman Day asked that caution be taken on a vote and resolution; he stated that the county sees where they want to be in the next ten years. The Joint Development

Authority (JDA) has set their budget and they felt the need to eliminate and remove this item from their budget. Councilman Day cautioned the Council not to support at his time trusting that those two groups have the knowledge.

Councilman McClain stated he sees a situation where that function is critical to Camden County. Councilman McClain stated we cannot destroy a beneficial relationship that we have invested heavily in and now remove as an aid to this community; it would leave us as the only place in Georgia without a military Liaison. Councilman McClain said the investment is \$55,000 dollars and the Partnership raises \$55,000 in economic development, it simply does not make sense to destroy our Liaison. He stated it would be a major mistake to see that disbanded.

Councilman Winters stated he has concerns since we rely on the military and this has come out of the blue. Councilman Winters said it is important as a community to maintain the Camden Partnership.

Mayor Smith spoke and stated that he thinks this is pretty catastrophic and could not understand why no one came to the cities about this. This group has brought prosperity to our community and every other military community has a Liaison. Mayor Smith also stated that the Council was not notified that the Camden Partnership was being disbanded and was deeply concerned that JDA Board Members did not inform the Council and ask for any input. Mayor Smith said he believes the community is being dealt a horrible blow.

RESULT:	APPROVED [2 TO 1]
MOVER:	Jim McClain, City Councilman
SECONDER:	Richard A. Winters, City Councilman
AYES:	McClain, Winters
NAYS:	Day Jr.

X. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

None

XI. ADJOURNED

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Kenneth E. Smith, Sr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda M. O'Shaughnessy, City Clerk