



CITY OF KINGSLAND, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES • JUNE 12, 2017

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. Joint Comprehensive Plan Initiation -

The purpose of the hearing is to brief the community on the process to be used to develop the plan, opportunities for public participation in development of the plan and to obtain input on the proposed planning process.

Mr. Ken Kessler, Director of Planning and Zoning stated that the Department of Community Affairs requires that communities update their Joint Comprehensive Plans every ten years. Mr. Kessler gave a brief presentation on the City of Kingsland's plans.

There were no questions from the Public.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:09 PM.

II. CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME GUESTS

Mayor Smith called the regular scheduled meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

III. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

Reverend Donald Belcher, Sr., Pastor, Crooked River Baptist Church gave the Invocation. Samuel Riley with Boy Scout Troop 226 led the audience in the Pledge to the Flag.

IV. ROLL CALL

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

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

V. CONSENT DOCKET

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Richard A. Winters, City Councilman
SECONDER:	James Ham, City Councilman
AYES:	Ham, McClain, Winters
ABSENT:	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

VI. RECOGNITION

1. Certificates of Appreciation: Major Wayne Peeples, Lt. Brian Aligood, Sgt. Daniel Chaney, Officer Samantha Swartz, Officer Buck Aldridge, Lt. James Galloway, CCSO, Investigator Kyle Taylor, CCSO, Special Agent Jamie Karnes, GBI, Special Agent Kristen Aller, GBI -

Chief Griffis, Kingsland Police Department recognized the following individuals for their police work: Major Wayne Peeples, Lt. Brian aligood, Sgt. Daniel Chaney, Officer Samantha Swartz, Officer Buck Aldridge, Lt. James Galloway, CCSO, Investigator Kyle Taylor, CCSO, Special Agent Jamie Karnes, GBI and Special Agent Kristen Aller, GBI.

Chief Griffis stated that superior investigative skills and superb teamwork demonstrated by all of these law enforcement personnel will be recognized this evening.

2. Certificate of Appreciation: Investigator Hugh Riley -

Chief Griffis presented Investigator Hugh Riley with a Certificate of Appreciation. Because of Investigator Riley's diligence and dedication for the truth, he was able to assist a victim who could not speak for herself.

VII. PRESENTATION

Mr. Bill Gross gave a power point presentation about EPIC Destinations to the Mayor and City Council.

Mr. Gross discussed the different phases of the project and a proposed time line for each. Mr. Gross stated it would consist of 480 acres, 20 acres in the back would be for the Technical College. Mr. Gross stated when finished it would employ about 1,200 people.

Councilman McClain asked Mr. Gross if he had a projection of how many people this project would attract. Mr. Gross stated that 1.5 million people would be expected the first year and 2.3 million is the targeted number.

VIII. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

Ms. Terri Keller, Woodhaven Road, addressed the Mayor and City Council regarding the opt-out fees for the smart water meters.

Ms. Keller gave statistics of other areas that the fees have been challenged and stated she felt they were discriminatory and is asking to have them abolished.

Mr. Dan Keller, Woodhaven Road addressed the Mayor and City Council. Mr. Keller stated that the Smart Meters have serious problems; and stated it has been proven that RF Radiation which is a Class 2B Carcinogen is emitted from the meters. Mr. Keller felt the opt-out fees were punitive and would affect the health of people on the lower income level.

Councilman McClain asked Mr. Keller if he could give the Board a frame of context regarding the output from the meters. Councilman McClain asked if it was the same as the wi-fi devices in one's home. Mr. Keller stated it was about the same.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

None

X. PLANNING AND ZONING

1. APPLICATION FOR HOME OCCUPATION – Nicole Marie Stuart -

Nicole Marie Stuart, 307 Soncel Dr is requesting a Home Occupation Permit for LuLuRoe. Zoning is PD/R-1. Planning Commission recommends approval.

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2. APPLICATION FOR HOME OCCUPATION – Michael Creo -

Michael Creo, 204 Eagle Blvd is requesting a Home Occupation Permit for Handcrafted Patriotism a handcrafted wood business. Zoning is R-1. Planning Commission recommends approval.

Councilman Winters inquired about the noise and was assured that the handcrafting would be done in the garage with the garage door closed.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jim McClain, City Councilman
SECONDER: James Ham, City Councilman
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3. APPLICATION FOR REZONING, Live Oak Acquisitions, LLC -

Live Oak Acquisitions, LLC is requesting rezoning of a 61.65 acre portion Tax Parcel 107 023, an undeveloped section of Settler's Hammock from PD/R-1 to PD/R-3. Planning Commission recommends approval.

Councilman McClain asked if the Planning Commission had any opposition to this. Mr. Ken Kessler, Planning Director stated "no as long as there is no connectivity between the two (2) subdivisions". Councilman McClain asked Mr. Kessler if water and sewer were there. Mr. Kessler stated. "yes".

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XI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Project Agreement: EPIC Destinations, LLC -

By and Among EPIC Destinations, LLC, Georgia Gateway Community Improvement District, Camden County Joint Development Authority, Kingsland Development Authority, and City of Kingsland, Georgia. Staff recommends approval.

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2. Bid Award: Professional Printing Services-Tourism Department -

Printing services requested for the printing of the Dining Guide and Birds of Coastal Georgia Brochures. Staff recommends rejecting all bids, work to be performed in-house.

Councilman Winters made a motion to accept the staff's recommendation. Councilman Ham seconded the motion. The motion carried.

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3. Mayor and Council Voting Delegate (Proxy) Annual GMA Meeting in Savannah
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Councilman Ham made a motion to appoint Mayor Smith. Councilman Winters seconded the motion. The motion carried.

4. Cancellation Of: City Council Meeting on June 26, 2017 Due to Annual GMA Conference -

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XII. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

Councilman Ham stated that mental health is a big issue today; he felt staff could use help in dealing with situations. Councilman Ham spoke about the class being given on June 20-21, 2017 a 16 hour course on behavioral health and addictive disease.

Councilman McClain said he would like to echo what Councilman Ham said. Councilman McClain stated there are no good resources in our community which puts the strain on the police and fire departments who have to get involved. Councilman McClain stated there are homeless people, you do not see them, but they are there.

Mayor Smith concurred with Councilman Ham and Councilman McClain and said he is involved with many different agencies and he is always trying to find funding so that the city offices will get the training they need.

XIII. ADJOURNED

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM.

Kenneth E. Smith, Sr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Linda M. O'Shaughnessy, City Clerk