CITY OF KINGSLAND, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES ● MARCH 11, 2019

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 Day called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

1. Pastor Matthew Pettus -

Pastor Pettus gave the Invocation and led the audience in the Pledge to the Flag.

III. ROLL CALL

Alex Blount	Mayor Pro Tem
James W Galloway	Councilman
Michael J McClain	Councilman
Lamar Stokes	Councilman
Charles Grayson Day Jr.	Mayor

IV. CONSENT DOCKET

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	Lamar Stokes, Councilman
AYES:	Blount, Galloway, McClain, Stokes

A. Approve the Council Minutes of the last regular Council Meeting

1. City Council - Regular Meeting - Feb 25, 2019 6:00 PM -

B. Approve the Agenda as Presented

C. Approve the Payments of Accounts Payable as Due and Funds Available

V. PRESENTATION

1. Announcement: 2019 GDOT Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant -

The city received $215,569 in grant funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation's Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) program. The LMIG program has been developed in cooperation with ACCG, GMA, and others. Georgia DOT remains committed to help local governments achieve much-needed improvements to the state's roadway network. The City uses these funds to enhance our road resurfacing and sidewalk installation and maintenance programs.

Mayor Day stated that the city received $215,569 in grant funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation's Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) program. The city will use these funds to enhance our road resurfacing and sidewalk installation and maintenance programs.

VI. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

Ms. Rosetta Webster, 1049 Boone Avenue, Kingsland addressed the Mayor and City Council. Ms. Webster stated she had a few issues and wanted to express her concerns. Ms. Webster stated she had a problem awhile back with an overflow problem and wanted to know if there was a problem with the pumping station. Ms. Webster stated that two doors down from her home also had a problem with the sewerage. Ms. Webster asked if someone could look into this problem.

Ms. Webster also inquired of the Mayor and City Council that along Boone Street and Hwy 17 there are large trees that hang over the roadways and sidewalks and would like the city to take responsibility and cut them down. Councilman Blount stated that the city can only cut down what is on city property.

Mayor Day told Ms. Webster that they would look into this and get back to her.

VII. OLD BUSINESS

None

VIII. PLANNING AND ZONING

1. Approval Of: Variance for Reduction in Square Footage Lot Requirement. Lot Currently Does Not Meet Square Footage Requirement for R-1 Zoning. Immediately Adjacent North Lot is Under Minimum Size Requirement. Lot was Zoned for Habitat Home Construction. Adjacent Home (Habitat) is Located on Same Size Lot. Home Will Meet All Setback Requirements. -

Planning Commission recommends approval.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	Michael J McClain, Councilman
AYES:	Blount, Galloway, McClain, Stokes

2. Approval Of: Preliminary Plat Laurel Landing 5G. Preliminary Plat for the Final 9 Lots in the Laurel Island Development. Thomas Court, Map and Parcel Number 120 022, Current Zoning is PD (R-2), 5.95 Acres. -

Planning Commission recommends approval.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	Lamar Stokes, Councilman
AYES:	Blount, Galloway, McClain, Stokes

3. Approval Of: Home Occupation Day Care, 142 Cedar Circle Drive. Ms. Brenda Johnson is Requesting a Residential Business Permit for "Brenda's Little People Big Love Daycare", Zoning is R-1. Childcare for No More Than 4 Children During Normal Working Hours and Occasionally Evening Times. -

Planning Commission recommends approval.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES:	Blount, Galloway, McClain, Stokes

IX. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval Of: Legal Services Engagement Agreement -

An engagement agreement for legal services related to maintenance of privately owned sections of Gum Branch in the Laurel Marsh subdivision.

Councilman Day asked the City Manager why the city's current attorney was not handling this. Mr. Lee Spell, City Manager stated Mr. Kinney advised him it would be a conflict of interest because he represents the homeowners along Gum Branch. Mr. Spell stated he needed legal advise to see if it is legal to spend tax payers money on private property.

After a discussion Councilman McClain made a motion to table this item until the next meeting. Councilman Blount seconded the motion. The motion carried.

RESULT:	**TABLED [UNANIMOUS]**	**Next: 3/25/2019 6:00 PM**
MOVER:	Michael J McClain, Councilman	
SECONDER:	Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem	
AYES:	Blount, Galloway, McClain, Stokes	

2. Approval Of: Wetland Mitigation Credits for Gross Road Drainage Improvements -

The purchase of 6.16 wetland mitigation credits @ $1,800.00 per credit for a total of $11,088.00 for the continuation of Gross Road (Gum Branch) drainage improvements project.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES:	Blount, Galloway, McClain, Stokes

3. Approval Of: Utility Easement Parcel 095 009N -

A general utility easement and agreement on parcel 095 009N, Jack L. Gross, LLC.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Lamar Stokes, Councilman
SECONDER:	Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Blount, Galloway, McClain, Stokes

4. Bid Award: for the Purchase of One (1) Hydraulic Excavator -

This item is budgeted at $175,000 (40% General Fund/ 60% Water & Sewer Fund). *Staff recommends low bid Low Country Machinery, JCB, JS145, total cost $119,500.00.*

Councilman Blount thanked the Public Works Department for going through this process. Councilman Blount made a motion to approve the low bid, Low Country Machinery. Councilman Galloway seconded the motion. The motion carried.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES:	Blount, Galloway, McClain, Stokes

5. Bid Award: for the Purchase of Two (2) Commercial Zero Turn Mowers -

This item is budgeted for $11,500 each for a total of two mowers at $23,000 in the General Fund. *Public Works Director, Bill Coleman recommends second low bidder, Tri-Lane Equipment, EX MARK @8,615.00 each.*

Councilman Blount asked Mr. Bill Coleman, Public Works Director why he recommended Tri-Lane Equipment. Mr. Coleman stated that he was trying to standardize his fleet so they would have parts available for the equipment and the warranty on the EX MARK mower was five (5) years. Mr. Coleman stated the department has a history with the EX MARK and having it repaired at Tri-Lane would amount to a lot less time loss with people and equipment.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Michael J McClain, Councilman
SECONDER:	Lamar Stokes, Councilman
AYES:	Blount, Galloway, McClain, Stokes

6. Bid Award: Asbestos Testing -

This is a component of the GEMA/FEMA Property Acquisition Grant award. Asbestos testing is required prior to the closing for the acquisition of the four flood prone properties. This is part of the local match portion of the grant funded in SPLOST VII. *Staff recommends low bid, Regulatory Compliance Services, Inc., total cost $1,454.25.*

Bid item awarded to low bid, Regulatory Compliance Services, Inc.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Alex Blount, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDER:	Lamar Stokes, Councilman
AYES:	Blount, Galloway, McClain, Stokes

7. Bid Award: Property Appraisal Services -

This is a component of the GEMA/FEMA Property Acquisition Grant award. A FEMA qualified appraisal by a state certified general appraiser is required prior to the closing for the acquisition of the four flood prone properties. This is part of the local match portion of the grant funded in SPLOST VII. *Staff recommends Collins Appraisals, total cost, $1,700.00.*

Bid Award to Collins Appraisals.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER:	Lamar Stokes, Councilman
SECONDER:	James W Galloway, Councilman
AYES:	Blount, Galloway, McClain, Stokes

X. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Day stated that the community has been hit hard this week with loss of life and asked parents to please engage your children and let them know that suicide is not an option.

XI. ADJOURNED

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:22 PM.

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Dr. C. Grayson Day, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Linda M. O'Shaughnessy, City Clerk