



CITY OF KINGSLAND, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES • AUGUST 26, 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. Webelos Pack 226 -

Mayor Pro Tem Alex Blount gave the Invocation and Webelos Pack 226 led the audience in the Pledge to the Flag.

III. ROLL CALL

Alex Blount
James W Galloway
Michael J McClain
LaMar Stokes
Charles Grayson Day Jr.

Mayor Pro Tem
Councilman
Councilman
Councilman
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 - Aug 12, 2019 6:00 PM -
- B. Approve the Agenda as Presented
- C. Approve the Payments of Accounts Payable as Due and Funds Available

V. RECOGNITION

1. Citizen Award -

Ms. Natalie Andrews, recognized by Officer Jason A. Griffith

Officer Jason Griffith, Kingsland Police Department recognized Ms. Natalie Andrews for her help with a young civilian who was upset in a car accident and stayed with her until her parent arrived. This allowed Officer Griffith time to secure the area for safety.

VI. PRESENTATION

1. FY 2019-2020 Budget Presentation -

Ms. Filiz Morrow, Finance Director addressed the Mayor and City Council. Ms. Morrow went over the line items for the 2019/2020 budget.

The brief summary stated that the overall budget includes performance raises effective on employee anniversary up to 2%, retirement funding 3.4% decrease, health and life insurance no increase in premiums (employer and employee) and health clinic 4.4% increase.

A contingency of \$321,268 based on tax rate of 8.0 mills. Proposed contingency funds will go back into the fund balance to replace amount used to pay off KDA loan. Tax revenues are based on 4% digest increase due to new construction growth. The rollback rate of 8.094 mills would generate \$100,000 increase in taxes at 8.00 mills it would generate \$52,000 more than current year. Other increases are in franchise taxes, L.O.S.T., and insurance premium tax. Decreases in building permits and cash carry forward.

VII. GRANTING AUDIENCE TO THE PUBLIC

Ms. H. Dawson, 580 Martin Luther King Blvd. addressed the Mayor and City Council. Ms. Dawson thanked Mayor Day and City Council members for the use of the building on Saturday, August 17, 2019 for the remembrance of the Thiokol victims and survivors.

Mayor Day thanked Ms. Paula Chamberlin, Downtown Development Director for her assistance in this celebration.

Pastor Knight, 503 Cotton Circle East addressed the Mayor and City Council. Pastor Knight stated he is the Chair of the Concerned Citizens of Camden County and he expressed some concern that since the shooting incident last year there has been no sit down or answers from any elected official. He asked if any policy had changed or further training has been provided.

Mr. Timothy Bassett, Sr. addressed the Mayor and City Council. Mr. Bassett commented on an incident that happened on December 12, 2018 regarding a young man who was stopped for speeding with less than 1 gram of marijuana on him. He was arrested and bail

cost him over \$1100.00. Mr. Bassett asked why the new Ordinance regarding the use of marijuana did not apply to this young man.

Mayor Day stated the policy does not address what a police officer finds and he or she has the discretion to do what he needs to do.

Mayor Day stated we have a new Police Chief and there are new policies and the Police Chief would be willing to meet with members after the meeting.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

None

IX. PLANNING AND ZONING

1. Approval Of: Enterprise Zone Incentive - O'Reilly's Auto Parts -

In accordance with the Kingsland Enterprise Zone Ordinance, the City Manager and the City Planning Director submit this incentive program to the council for consideration for the O'Reilly's Auto Parts project in downtown Kingsland. The O'Reilly's site is located within the Kingsland Enterprise Zone and the company has proposed to create the required 5 full-time employees and is a qualified business entity under the requirements of the ordinance. Due to the project and companies capital investment and job creation, the City Manager and Planning Director propose a 50% reduction in building and inspection fees for this project. The applicable fees total \$2,780.43 for a total incentive of \$1,390.22. ***Staff recommends approval.***

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MOVER:	James W Galloway, Councilman
SECONDER:	LaMar Stokes, Councilman
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X. NEW BUSINESS

1. Approval Of: Year 5 and 6 Watershed Monitoring -

Nutter and Associates has submitted the Scope of Work and Budget for Year 6 annual status report and Years 6 and 7 data analysis and project oversight for the Watershed Protection Plan Monitoring, City of Kingsland. The total cost for this services is \$8,550.00. ***Staff recommends approval.***

Councilman Blount asked Mr. Lee Spell, City Manager to see if there is any competition for this bid the next time. Mr. Spell stated at present there is none.

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SECONDER: Michael J McClain, Councilman
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2. Approval Of: Funding to Pay Off Rescue Engine/Pumper 2014 Lease - Mayor Pro Tem Alex Blount

The City has a 12 year lease agreement with BB&T Governmental Finance through the GMA lease program at a rate of 3.74%. Seven more years are remaining with outstanding principal balance at 349,551.74 and remaining interest at \$54,210.86. There is no prepayment penalty.

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3. Bid Award: Waste Water Treatment Plant Renovations -

Engineers, Carter & Sloope, recommend low bidder, Sawcross, Inc in the amount of \$3,428,000. This project is budgeted in Water/Sewer operations and SPLOST VII.

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4. Approval Of: Appointment to Downtown Development Authority Board - Councilman LaMar Stokes

Councilman Stokes was appointed to the Downtown Development Authority Board.

XI. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENT

None

XII. ADJOURNED

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.

Dr. C. Grayson Day, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Linda M. O'Shaughnessy, City Clerk