

May 16, 2016
Regular Session

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Glenn Wright. Members present were Mr. Miller, Mr. McWhorter, Mrs. Wynn, and Mr. Lewis.

Mr. McWhorter opened the meeting with prayer.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to approve the May 2, 2016 Regular Session minutes as presented, after a second by Mr. McWhorter the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to approve the May 2, 2016 Executive Session minutes as presented, after a second by Mr. Miller the motion passed 4-0.

Pam Askew gave an update on Festival Hall. She discussed her resignation and stated that she has been offered a very great opportunity and that she has truly enjoyed working as the Director of Festival Hall, she thanked the Mayor and Council for the opportunity to have served in that position. She stated that since December 2015 there have been 16 events held at FH and over 4400 visitors. The damage from the mold and water in the basement has been repaired and the new security system has been installed. The Council thanked her for her service and wished her well.

Kendrick Ward presented the street closure request for the Pickin' on the Greene which will be held in downtown on June 17th. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the street closure request as presented, after a second by Mr. McWhorter the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with the Georgia Historic Preservation Officer regarding the renovation of the Chero Cola Building, after a second by Mr. Miller the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to reappoint Ms. Joann McDade to the Library Board to serve a six year term, after a second by Mr. McWhorter the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Lewis made a motion to appoint Mrs. Wynn as the voting delegate and Mr. Moore as the proxy for the GMA Annual Convention Business Meeting, after a second by Mr. McWhorter the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Miller made a motion authorizing Mayor Wright to execute all documents as approved by the City Attorney necessary to allow the current Redevelopment Fund debt to share priority with the Georgia Cities Foundation loan, after a second by Mr. McWhorter the motion passed 4-0.

Rick Zeier introduced an ordinance with revisions to the current alcohol ordinance.

Rick Zeier discussed a dilapidated building on West Street owned by Shorley Shea Shells LLC that needs to be demolished because of several code violations. Rick stated that the matter would have to be forwarded to the City Prosecutor because the owners have stated that they did not have the funds to demolish the building. Rick estimates that it would cost \$20,000 - \$25,000 to properly demo the building. If the owners do not pay the cost to demo the building, the city will have to cover the cost and place a lien on the property until funds can be recovered. After much discussion no action was taken

Mr. Miller made a motion to adjourn the meeting, after a second by Mr. McWhorter the motion passed 4-0.

There being no further business, Mr. Lewis closed the meeting with prayer.