

MINUTES
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION PLANNING & INFORMATION SESSION
TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2023 – 3:00 P.M.
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
(417 PENDLETON STREET, WAYCROSS, GA)

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Waycross City Commission Planning and Information Session was called to order on Tuesday, January 17, 2023, at 3:00 pm by Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett. The meeting was held in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. Present was Commissioners Norman Davis, Henry Strickland, Katrena Felder, Diane Hopkins (in at 3:03) and Mayor James (in at 3:08, in which he took over presiding over the meeting.)

A. Invocation:

Invocation was led by, James Smart, Director of Public Works

B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. GUESTS:

Dr. Earl Martin-902 Elizabeth Street, Waycross Georgia 31501

Dr. Martin spoke on the issue of City Managers position. In his opinion it has been long enough for the appointment of a city manager. It is time, in his opinion, to decide. He also discussed the Albany Ave, project that is not completed and there are no signs of it getting completed.

III. TRAVEL/TRAINING SCHEDULE AND REQUESTS

The commissioners will be traveling together to attend the GMA Training in Atlanta from the 19th through the 23rd of January. Also the commissioners will be traveling together on February 7th through the 8th, as the Assembly will recognize the Okefenokee Swamp

IV. PLANNING & INFORMATION SESSION

A. Bids:

1. WAYX 23-10 Surplus Property – Fire Dept. Outdated Exercise Equipment

There was a consensus to place this on Todays Commission Meeting Agenda

2. Bid # FY23-07 Stormwater Utility Surveying Services

There was a consensus to place this on Todays Commission Meeting Agenda

3. WAYX 23-11 Surplus Land Brunswick Ave Parcel WA0803 085A 0.117 Acres

There was a consensus to place this on Todays Commission Meeting Agenda

B. Discussion: Public Works – James Smart

1. Repairs to Bucket Truck

Consensus to have it repaired for an estimated cost of \$75,000.00.

2. Possible Purchase of Mini Excavator

Consensus to proceed to put it out for bid to purchase a used Mini Excavator.

C. Discussion: Channel 10

There was a consensus taken on whether to keep Channel 10, votes were as follows, Norman Davis- Yes, Diane Hopkins-No, Katrena Felder-No, Henry Strickland-No and Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett-No. The consensus was to cancel Channel 10 at this time.

D. Discussion: WPD Equipment Replacement / Surplus

There was a consensus to purchase new weapons. WPD will be trading older weapons to receive a discounted price on the purchase of new ones.

E. Privilege License Renewals:

1. Shri 13 LLC dba Wally's, N. Patel, 1565 Ossie Davis Parkway, Waycross Georgia, 31501 Beer and Wine. Package Sales Only.
2. Laxmi Narayan 13 LLC dba Bunky's, C. Patel, 1545 Ossie Davis Parkway, Waycross Georgia, 31501, Beer and Wine, Package Sales Only.
3. Klodiyur 1942 Inc dba Shell City, S. Patel, 507 City Blvd, Waycross Georgia 31501, Beer and Wine, Package Sales Only.

There was a consensus to place the renewals on the agenda for today's commission meeting.

F. Privilege Licenses:

1. Torero Too Mexican Restaurant, K. Miravete, 2470 Memorial Drive, Waycross Georgia, 31501, Beer, Consumption on premises.

There was a consensus to place the renewals on the agenda for today's commission meeting.

G. Proposed Ordinances: n/a

H. Proposed Resolutions:

1. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Declare Certain Real Property Described Herein and Located Between Albany Avenue and Brunswick Avenue as Surplus Property; To Authorize Sale to Highest Responsible Bidder; and for Other Purposes.

There was a consensus to place this on the agenda for today's commission meeting.

2. A Resolution of the City of Waycross, Georgia, To Award Contract to Jackson Surveying, Inc. of Brunswick, Georgia, for Four (4) Stormwater Utility Projects; and for Other Purposes.

There was a consensus to place this on the agenda for today's commission meeting.

I. City Attorney's Report:

There were none at this time.

J. City Manager's Report:

1. Department Report:

Marc Hawkins, Community Improvement Director introduced Mr. Deandre Tisby as the new Animal Control Officer. He stated that Mr. Tisby will be going to Adel Georgia in two weeks for training.

K. Last Call and/or Adjourn to Executive Session

The mayor asked did they have executive session, Attorney Rick Curry said yes for personnel. Commissioner Davis motioned to adjourn for the purpose of going into executive session. Commissioner Felder and Commissioner Bennett seconded all voted in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 4:05 pm

L. Adjournment

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY:

+ Michael Angelo James
MICHAEL-ANGELO JAMES, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jacqueline Powell
JACQUILINE POWELL, City Clerk

