

REGULAR MEETING – CAIRO MAYOR & COUNCIL – NOVEMBER 25, 2019

The November 25, 2019 Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room at 101-B North Broad Street by Mayor Booker T. Gainor. Present were Mayor Pro Tem Lannis Thornton, Jerry L. Cox, Demario Byrden and Robert L. Gwaltney. Councilman James H. Douglas was absent from the meeting. Staff Members present were City Manager Chris Addleton, City Attorney Thomas L. Lehman, and City Clerk Dana Barfield. Also in attendance were Cairo Messenger Editor, Randy Wind, and Times Enterprise Reporter, Eric Yabor.

INVOCATION: The Invocation was given by Mayor Gainor.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Motion to approve the agenda with an addendum was made by Councilman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Gwaltney, and approved unanimously by all Council Members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 11, 2019 - Regular Meeting: Motion to approve the minutes as submitted was made by Councilman Gwaltney, seconded by Councilman Cox, and approved unanimously by all Council Members.

DELEGATIONS:

SPECIAL EVENTS:

Considered Special Event Permit for Cairo Grady Chamber of Commerce-Christmas Parade, December 5, 2019 starting at 7:00 PM, Trey Gainous, Applicant. Motion was made by Councilman Byrden to approve the event, seconded by Councilman Thornton, and approved unanimously by all Council Members.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Considered Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement 2020. Motion to enter into agreement as presented was made by Councilman Cox, seconded by Councilman Thornton, and approved unanimously by all Council Members.

Considered Roddenbery Memorial Library Agreement. Attorney Lehman stated that Grady County had already approved the agreement and the Board of Education had approved it orally. At this point he's asking that the Council sign off on it and decide who will be assigned to the board and present it at the next meeting. Motion to approve and appoint representatives at the next meeting was made by Councilman Cox, seconded by Councilman Byrden, and approved unanimously by all Council Members.

Considered Southern Terrace Property Expansion. Motion to approve the property expansion was made by Councilman Byrden, seconded by Councilman Thornton, and approved unanimously by all Council Members.

Considered Airport Beacon Replacement Project. City Manager Addleton informed Council Members there were three bids received for the Airport Beacon Replacement Project with Trinity Electrical Services, Inc. coming in at the low bid of \$73,900. Croy Engineering evaluated the bids and recommended that we award the project to Trinity Electrical Services, LLC. Motion to approve the project and enter into contract with Trinity Electrical Services, LLC was made by Councilman Cox, seconded by Councilman Byrden and approved unanimously by all Council Members.

Considered Public Works Sewer Machine Replacement. Public Works Director Darin Todd requested replacement of a 2008 Sewer Machine which is a mounted trailer. This machine is used extensively to clear sewer blockages throughout the City. Three bids were received with the low bid being from P & H Supply Company at \$135,918. It was recommended that we purchase the O'Brien Sewer Truck from P & H Supply Company. This purchase was budgeted in the FY2020 SPLOST Budget at \$140,000. Motion to approve the sewer machine replacement was made by Councilman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Gwaltney, and approved unanimously by all Council Members.

Considered Introduction of Ordinance to Amend the Alcohol Beverage Ordinance. Ordinance was introduced.

Consider Introduction of Ordinance to Rezone C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial District) to C-2 (Highway Commercial District) at the location of 201 5th Street S. E.; Identified on County tax map C27, parcel 75.1. Owner: BEC Properties, LLC (Linda Collins). Ordinance was introduced.

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Consider Application for New Alcoholic Beverage License-New Owner, Beer, Wine and Liquor, Retail Package, Zac's Package, 765 US Hwy 84 E, Cairo, GA, Gajendrabhai Rajeshkumar Patel, Applicant. Motion to approve was made by Councilman Thornton, seconded by Councilman Byrden, and approved unanimously by all Council Members.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Reports:

1.) Reports from City Manager:

- Working on options for live streaming council meetings
- Christmas Parade will be Dec. 5th at 7:00 pm
- Valenti, Rackley & Associates, LLC will present their findings at the next meeting

2.) Reports from Mayor and Council:

- Councilman Byrden stated that the ditches need cleaning/dug out on Crescent Circle SW (on the west side), they are holding water.
- Councilman Byrden asked if there was anything that could be done in order to get Holder Park up and running sooner this year. City Manager Addleton stated that anything dealing with Holder Park will be contingent on Lifeguards other than that we should be ready. Councilman Byrden also wanted to know if there was anything we could do right now with Southern Terrace Park. City Manager Addleton stated that we applied for a grant and would not know if we will have to submit an application until the spring and it would not be funded until the fall.
- Councilman Cox asked about possibly requiring a permit for Sunday Alcohol Sales. He asked that more research be done and be brought back to the next meeting.
- Mayor Gainor informed the Council that he is starting a Community Action Committee which will be a clear, useful, and solution based program for local leaders.
- Mayor Gainor is also partnering with I Can of Cairo with a fundraiser for needy children this Christmas. They will be selling Christmas ornaments for \$10 each and the profits will go toward purchasing gifts and donating them on Christmas Eve.
- Mayor Gainor brought down all the pictures of previous Councilmembers and asked what the Councilmen thought about displaying them in the new council chamber.

ADJOURN: Motion was made by Councilman Thornton to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilman Cox, and unanimously approved by all Council Members present.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

BOOKER T. GAINOR, MAYOR

DANA W. BARFIELD, CITY CLERK