

Council Meeting  
November 16, 2015

Members Present: Mayor Buddy Duke, members Butch Fausett, Greg Paige, Michael Purvis and Jody Greene.

Others Present: John Flythe, Rhonda Rowe, Tim Tanner, Denny Roberts, members of the public and a member of the press.

Invocation was given by Councilman Fausett.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: Councilman Purvis made a motion to accept the minutes of November 2, 2015 as presented. Councilman Greene seconded with all in favor.

Bids on Natural Gas Extension Project: Following a review of the bids on the gas extension project north to Lenox, our engineers have recommended approval of the low bid of Pride Utility Construction Company. All bids were as follows:

D Lance Southern	\$1,084,166.50
Harrison & Harrison	\$1,244,300.12
Pride Utility Construction Co	\$ 867,775.50
T & B Landmark Construction	\$1,676,204.80

Councilman Fausett made a motion to approve the low bid. Councilman Greene seconded. The decision was unanimous.

Bids on Land Rental: Bids were received for the rental of 54 acres of cultivated land on Honeymoon Lane next to the sewer treatment plant. The lease will be for a period of 3 years. Bids were as follows:

Shane May	\$120.07 per acre / \$6483.78 per year
Ross Purvis	\$116.67 per acre / \$6300.00 per year
Folsom Farms	\$101.51 per acre / \$5481.54 per year

Councilman Greene made a motion to approve the high bid of Shane May. Councilman Purvis seconded. All were in favor.

Alcohol License Renewals: Of the 20 current alcohol license holders, 13 have submitted their renewal application and paid the appropriate fees for year 2016. Those companies are:

Dinesh, Inc.  
Dorsey's Supermarket  
Heny Enterprises, Inc.  
Jeeya Patel, LLC  
Krishna & Krishna 1, LLC  
Mahaganapati, LLC  
Manchar One Corporation  
Ram Quick Change, Inc.  
Reynolds IGA Foodliner, Inc.  
Rite Aid of Georgia, Inc.  
Roshan of USA, Inc.  
Samson Merger Sub, LLC  
Sonal Convenience, Inc.

Councilman Fausett made a motion to approve the renewals with Councilman Paige providing the second. There were no opposing votes.

Cost Based Electrical Rate Incentive: The council was advised that staff has been meeting with JM Eagle concerning their electrical rates. They consume over 40% of all power and they have been approached about changing their hours of operation so they will eliminate using power at peak times. This would give the city the ability to swing some costs and would allow JM to share in those savings. If they can lower their unit cost, hopefully they will bring in additional work, resulting in the use of more power. This new rate design will be brought to the council in December for action.

Resurfacing Street List: The public works department has created a proposed list of streets to be considered for resurfacing. This list has been narrowed down to 2.94 miles. It was noted that last year we resurfaced 3.165 miles of roads. This was presented to each council member as a guide and Mayor Duke asked each one to review and make any desired revisions/additions. After a final list is comprised, it will then be sent to our engineer who will rate the streets according to DOT specifications and then they will be ranked accordingly.

Executive Session: Councilman Fausett made a motion to enter into executive session at 5:45 pm to discuss a personnel matter. Councilman Paige seconded. All were in favor.

Following executive session, there was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.

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Rhonda P. Rowe, City Clerk

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Luther L. Duke III, Mayor

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