

COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 7, 2015

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

Others Present: John H. Flythe, Pam Hamilton, Chad Castleberry, Tim Tanner and members of the press and public.

Invocation was given by Councilman Hill.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes: Greg Paige made a motion to approve the minutes of November 16, 2015 as presented. Jody Greene seconded with all in favor.

Public Hearing: Chandler Hill made a motion to enter into public hearing to gain input on a rezoning request from the Adel Industrial Authority. Michael Purvis seconded the unanimous decision. This request is to annex/rezone their property from AU-Agriculture to HI-Heavy Industrial as well as annex the property into the city limits of the City of Adel. Mayor Duke asked if anyone was there to speak in favor of the proposal. Brent Dixon, representing the Adel Industrial Authority, spoke in favor of the changes. Mr. Dixon stated that there is a fertilizer company from Fresno, CA that wishes to open in this location and the company will be only hiring local people. Mayor Duke then asked if anyone wanted to speak in opposition of the proposal and Aulton White spoke stating that he was not opposed to the change but he did want to know if there would be any hazardous materials stored or used in the plant. Mayor Duke stated that the City is not aware of any hazardous materials that will be used. There being no further comments Butch Fausett made a motion to close the public hearing and Michael Purvis seconded. All were in favor.

Ordinance #15-05: This ordinance, rezoning property of the Adel Industrial Authority was read for the first time.

Health Insurance: The City Manager advised the council of a plan available that provides the same benefits that we currently have. This plan is a 15.54% increase over the current plan. He also discussed a plan with a 4% increase in premium. Under this plan, the employees pay 100% of the first \$5,000. Any Doctors visits and prescriptions require 100% out of pocket payment up front with no co-pays until the \$5,000 payment is met. He noted that the renewal with our present carrier is 33.7%. Jody Greene made a motion to accept the plan with the 15.54% increase which is equal to our current plan. Michael Purvis seconded. All voted in favor with the exception of Councilman Paige who stated that he would not vote for any health insurance plans.

Street Paving List: The City Manager stated that work was being done on the paving list and if the Mayor or Council wished to make additions they needed to turn them into him as soon as possible. He also stated that work is being done on a list of dirt roads to be paved.

Alcohol License Renewals: Butch Fausett made a motion to renew alcohol licenses to 5 businesses that had applied. Michael Purvis seconded the unanimous decision.

Visitor-Aulton White: Mr. White came before the council to discuss two issues. The first issue concerned the procedure that the city uses in allowing citizens to address the council. Mr. White stated that it was uncalled for to have to put in an application and wait for two weeks before anyone is allowed to speak. He stated that any citizen could walk into the county meeting and address the commissioners at that meeting and did not have to wait until the next meeting. The second issue Mr. White brought up was the practice of police officers parked on the bridge over the interstate and using speed detection devices at passing motorists. He stated State Code mandates police units had to be visible within 500 feet and that we are stopping people illegally. Councilman Paige stated that he had spoken with Mr. White at the previous meeting and after this meeting he spoke with another police chief and this chief investigated our department and his ruling was that the City of Adel was compliance however the Sherrif's Department was not. Chief Chad Castleberry addressed Mr. White and advised him that the State of Georgia approved our locations for speed detection.

City Manager Comments: John stated that we had received notice from the ISO that the City of Adel's fire classification was designated as a class 3 and very close to a class 2. Mr. Flythe stated that a rating of 3 is a very good rating.

There being no further business Butch Fausett made a motion to adjourn.

Pamela D. Hamilton, Asst. City Clerk

Buddy Duke, Mayor