

The Mayor and Council of the City of Winterville met at Winterville City Hall for the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, February 13, 2018. Mayor Ferrelle called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Also present were Councilpersons Mark Farmer, Brenda Keen, Mary Quinn, Gary Snow, and Municipal Clerk Wendy Bond.

The pledge of allegiance was recited by all present.

Approval of Minutes: Councilperson Farmer moved to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2018 regular City Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Keen. All votes were in favor and the minutes were approved.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

The First Item of New Business: Councilperson Farmer moved that, by and with the consent of the City Council, Mayor Ferrelle appoint David Ellison as the new City Attorney. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Snow, and all votes were in favor. Mayor Ferrelle administered the oath of office to Mr. Ellison.

The Second Item of New Business: Mayor Ferrelle introduced the Coach and each member of the W.R. Coile Middle School Boys' Basketball Team who earned the 2018 City Championship title. Mayor Ferrelle read aloud a Proclamation honoring the school and its players.

The Third Item of New Business: Mayor Ferrelle introduced Randolph "Randy" Gordon as the City's new Code Enforcement Officer. Mr. Gordon addressed Council stating he will offer several recommendations regarding property maintenance codes and common code violations for Mayor and Council to consider at a later date.

The Fourth Item of New Business: Library Renovation. Councilperson Snow moved to approve funding to the architects, Carter-Watkins, for 6% of the total project cost to renovate the library. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Farmer. All votes were in favor.

The Fifth Item of New Business: Firefly Trail Funding. Councilperson Quinn moved to approve funding up to \$25,000 from the 2018 TSPLOST funding for the development of construction documents for the purpose of permitting and constructing approximately 1.5 miles of the Firefly Trail in Winterville. This permitting phase funding is in partnership with a donation of not less than \$10,000 and up to \$14,500, from Williams & Associates Engineering. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Keen. All votes were in favor.

The Sixth Item of New Business: Community Center Elevator. Director Jack Eisenman provided 2 bids for the purchase and installation of an elevator in the Community Center utilizing SPLOST 2011 funds. Councilperson Farmer moved to tentatively accept the bid from Genesis Elevator Company in the amount of \$52,500 pending further legal review by Attorney Ellison. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Snow. All votes were in favor. Electrical installation (estimated to be \$2,000 - \$3,000 additional) is not included in the price of the elevator installation. All votes were in favor.

The Seventh Item of New Business: Tobacco Free Generation Ordinance. Councilperson Farmer requested a public hearing be scheduled for the purpose of reviewing a proposed TFG Ordinance. Tuesday, March 6, 2018, 5:30pm, City Hall, was set at the date, time and place for a Public Hearing which will be properly advertised in the Athens newspaper as required. A draft copy of the proposed ordinance will be available for review at City Hall and on the City of Winterville website.

Committee Reports:

Public Finance – Clerk Bond provided a financial report for the year to date ending January 31, 2018. Copies are available for public view. A copy was on display on the new monitor in the room.

Winterville Community Center – Jack Eisenman gave a verbal report on the Community Center.

Police Department – Asst. Chief Wayne Gabriel gave a verbal report on behalf of the police department.

Fire Department – Councilpersons Keen and Farmer met with the Volunteer Fire Department and discussed their future needs.

Public Works – Public Works has installed 84 new electrical outlets in Pittard Park to accommodate the upcoming Home and Garden Show and the Marigold Festival vendors. The cost is being shared between the Home and Garden Show and the Marigold Festival proceeds.

Library Report – Tonya Sands gave a verbal summary of her report. (Attached.)

Clerk’s Report – No additional report.

City Attorney’s Report –David Ellison is looking forward to working with the City.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Ferrelle gave an informal verbal report to the attending public. The 2nd Comprehensive Plan Public Input session will be held Tuesday, February 20, 2018, at 6:30 pm in the Depot. May 11th will be the big check presentation from the Fox Theatre Grant in the auditorium at 2 pm.

Public Comment – None.

Councilperson Farmer moved to adjourn at 7:15 pm. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Snow. All votes were in favor.

Clerk

Date