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CITY OF LOGANVILLE Council Meeting Thursday, June 9, 2011 7:30pm Council Chambers

The City of Loganville City Council met for their regularly scheduled Council Meeting on Thursday, June 9, 2011 at 7:30pm in the Council Chambers. Vice Mayor Jerry Price and Council Members Dan Curry, Wendell Geiger, Mark Kiddoo, Michelle Lynch and Rey Martinez were all present. Mayor Ray Nunley was not present. City Manager Bill Jones, City Attorney Karen Woodward, Police Chief Mike McHugh, Fire Chief Danny Roberts, Public Works Director Randall Casper, WQC Director Chris Yancey, Finance Officer John Cheek and Planning Director Carter Thompson were also present.

Vice Mayor Jerry Price called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

WQC Director Chris Yancey gave the invocation and the pledge to the flag was led.

Council Member Wendell Geiger made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Council Member Mark Kiddoo seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Council Member Dan Curry made a motion to approve last month's minutes as presented. Council Member Rey Martinez seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Council Member Mark Kiddoo made a motion to adopt last month's financial report as presented. Council Member Rey Martinez seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Council Member Michelle Lynch reported that on Saturday, May 28th the American Legion sponsored Ride for America benefitting Veterans who have fought and died for our country. Mrs. Lynch thanked all those involved in making the event such a success. Mr. Stan Mauldin with the American Legion Riders came forward and presented the City with a plaque of appreciation to the City for their support of the Ride for America in making this event such a tremendous success.

Council Member Michelle Lynch introduced Alison Foskey with Sugar Kneads Cakery who came forward and spoke about their grand opening on Saturday, June 18th. She explained that all funds raised from the bake sale at their grand opening will benefit the City of Loganville Fire and Police Departments as well as Walton County EMS.

Council Member Michelle Lynch also announced that on Saturday, June 25th Maxie Price will be hosting a car show with proceeds also benefiting the City of Loganville Police and Fire Departments. Mrs. Lynch also announced that this coming Saturday at the Fergus Lodge there will be a benefit called Pancakes for a Princess to help raise funds for the daughter of a Walton County Fire Fighter whose daughter has just received a liver transplant. Finally, Mrs. Lynch announced that the Autumn Heritage Festival will be held on Saturday, October 15th. She further

explained that more information is available on the festival's website www.autumnhertiagefestival.com.

Council Member Mark Kiddoo made a motion to allow City Manager Bill Jones and Finance Director John Cheek the authority to make the necessary year end budget adjustments. Council Member Wendell Geiger seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Vice Mayor Jerry Price presented the Street Parking Ordinance and asked for any questions regarding the ordinance. Council Member Dan Curry made a motion to approve the Street Parking Ordinance as presented. Council Member Mark Kiddoo seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Council Member Dan Curry reported that the new water tank would be painted within the next few weeks. He also explained that testing and cleaning would be done on the tank in July and the tank should be operational and online in August. Mr. Curry also reported that the Fox Chase project where we are installing new service lines is underway and as of this afternoon 30 of 220 homes in Fox Chase have new service lines. Mr. Curry also explained that the erosion problem on Haynes Creek has been corrected / completed, as well as the repairs to the Tommy Lee Fuller Pump Station.

Council Member Rey Martinez reported that work has begun on the Highway 78 and Highway 20 sidewalk projects. He stated that the Highway 78 project is almost completed however, someone walked through approximately 80ft of wet concrete and that will have to be replaced. He stated that the Tommy Lee Fuller portion of the project should begin within the next week.

City Manager Bill Jones presented the amendment to the Property Management Ordinance to include the definition of "developing lots." Council Member Mark Kiddoo made a motion to adopt the amendment to the Property Management Ordinance. Council Member Rey Martinez seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Manager Bill Jones stated that previously the Council lowered the seat fee for restaurants from \$225 per seat to \$95 per seat through June 30, 2011. Mr. Jones asked the Council to consider extending that reduction through June 30, 2012 for the purpose of economic development. Council Member Rey Martinez made a motion to extend the seat fee reduction through June 30, 2012. Council Member Dan Curry seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Manager Bill Jones explained that he is asking the Council to vote to allow the Mayor to sign the 2012 Walton County SPLOST intergovernmental agreement. He explained that this SPLOST project would run through 2019 and that the City would not be bonding out any money for the projects. He further explained that we would much rather have the SPLOST money come in monthly that way we know what money we have to pay for projects so that we do not get into a situation like the last SPLOST where we had to pay back money due to a decline in SPLOST revenue. Mr. Jones also stated that the City would be asking for Water and Sewer Infrastructure and Transportation Improvements. He further explained that the City's portion of this SPLOST is estimated to be \$5,841,678.76. Council Member Mark Kiddoo made a motion to approve the

agreement with Walton County. Council Member Dan Curry seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Manager Bill Jones explained that under the 2009 SPLOST he is seeking Council approval for a Fuel Center. He explained that in conversations with King & Spalding he has found out that the City can construct a fuel center and pay for it with SPLOST funds. He explained that since this fuel center would be used to fuel City vehicles it can be considered a transportation project and eligible for funding through the SPLOST program. Mr. Jones explained that the estimate is that the cost of the fuel center would be around \$84,884 but he would like to add a few things to the project such as a gate and a video system to make the center more secure. He explained that he is asking for the Council to approve \$90,000 for the project to cover the fuel station and the additional security items. He further explained that he is only seeking the approval of the project but not actually asking to go out and complete the project at this time. Council Member Michelle Lynch made a motion to approve the project as presented. Council Member Mark Kiddoo seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Manager Bill Jones announced that there would be no Walton Municipal Meetings until September. He also took a moment to thank Police Captain Gregg Warnack for always being at the meetings and helping out. Chief McHugh stated that he believes that he has the best staff in law enforcement and he would like to recognize Gregg Warnack. He explained that he has gone far and above anything that he has ever asked him for and he always goes the extra mile. He further explained that he is an integral part of his command staff and is promoting him to the position of Major. Major Warnack thanked everyone.

City Attorney Karen Woodward presented a resolution for the City to take control of the Braswell Cemetery located on Highway 78 through eminent domain. Mrs. Woodward explained that this cemetery has not had any burials since 1938 and is dilapidated and in need of repair. She explained that this resolution would allow the City to protect and preserve the cemetery. Council Member Mark Kiddoo made a motion approve the resolution as presented. Council Member Wendell Geiger seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Stan Mauldin came back before the Council and expressed his gratitude for the Police Department and their support with Ride for America. He stated that if they could ever offer assistance to the Police Department or the City of Loganville they would be more than willing to help out where needed.

Herman McCart came forward and questioned why there are so many sidewalks being built and no turn lanes being built. He stated that everyone drives and the turn lanes affect everyone. City Manager Bill Jones clarified that the sidewalk project is a SPLOST project that was done based on requests made to the City by City residents. He also explained that the turn lanes are maintained or controlled by the Department of Transportation. Mr. Jones encouraged Mr. McCart to contact DOT and express his concerns. Mr. Jones further explained that the DOT has not been very receptive to requests for things such as this from the City. Mr. McCart also stated that a company named File Serve was hired by the FDIC to do something for regarding the

Community Bank and they filed everyone that earned interest from the community bank in 2008's interest again in 2009 and now it has messed up everyone's taxes. He stated that the IRS continues to harass them and no one can seem to help get the matter straighten out. He asked that if anyone can help out with this situation he would appreciate it.

Chuck Bagley announced that in the morning he would be holding his quarterly town hall meeting at the Senior Citizen Center.

With no further discussion, Council Member Mark Kiddoo made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Wendell Geiger seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34pm.

Jerry Price
Vice Mayor

Bill Jones
City Manager