

## MINUTES

### CITY OF LOGANVILLE Council Meeting Thursday, September 8, 2011 7:30 pm Council Chambers

The Mayor and Council for the City of Loganville met for their regularly scheduled Council Meeting on Thursday, September 8, 2011 at 7:30pm. Mayor Ray Nunley and Council Members Dan Curry, Wendell Geiger, Mark Kiddoo, Michelle Lynch, Rey Martinez and Jerry Price were all presented. 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 and Finance Officer John Cheek were all present.

Mayor Nunley called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

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

Mayor Nunley asked everyone to observe a moment of silence in remembrance of the events that took place on September 11, 2001.

Council Member Wendell Geiger made a motion to adopt the agenda as presented. Council Member Dan Curry seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Council Member Dan Curry made a motion to approve last month's minutes as presented. Council Member Mark Kiddoo seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Council Member Mark Kiddoo made a motion to approve last month's financial report as presented. Council Member Wendell Geiger seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Code Enforcement Officer Tim Prater presented Case #SU11-003 for property located at 512 Bay Creek Crossing. The applicant, Loganville FBC, has requested the special use permit to allow for a community center at this location. The community center would provide a faith based ministry at the trailer park that would offer after school care, counseling, summer camps and tutoring for the children in that community. Mr. Wayne Naugle, Youth Pastor at Loganville FBC was present. With no questions or opposition, Council Member Wendell Geiger made a motion to approve the request for Special Use. Council Member Michelle Lynch seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-1 with Council Member Dan Curry abstaining due to a conflict of interest.

Code Enforcement Officer Tim Prater presented updated Official Zoning Map for the City of Loganville. Council Member Wendell Geiger made a motion to approve the map as presented. Council Member Mark Kiddoo seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Code Enforcement Officer Tim Prater explained the changes in fees to the Alcohol Ordinance. He pointed out the following changes:

- New Application fee would go from \$300 to \$200.
- Renewal Fee would go from \$300 admin fee to \$50 admin fee.
- Transfer of Location Fee would go from \$200 admin fee + \$100 processing fee to \$200 + the permit fees.
- Renewal Applications will not have to be fingerprinted but only provide a background check which is a \$10 fee.

Council Member Wendell Geiger made a motion to approve the proposed changes to the fees. Council Member Dan Curry seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Council Member Mark Kiddoo explained that the City has been in the Engineering Phase of the expansion for the wastewater treatment plant. He further explained that the cost of engineering for this phase is \$492,000. The City currently has \$155,000 in the current budget but will need to take \$150,000 out of reserves for this year and the balance to be paid from the 2013 Budget. Council Member Mark Kiddoo made a motion to approve the design phase for \$492,000. Council Member Wendell Geiger seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Council Member Mark Kiddoo made a motion to take \$150,000 out of the reserves to pay for a portion of these engineering costs. Council Member Michelle Lynch seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Council Member Mark Kiddoo discussed the 2011 Millage Rate. He announced that a Called Council Meeting will be held on Monday, September 19, 2011 at 10:00am for the purpose of setting the Millage Rate for 2011.

Council Member Jerry Price presented the appointment of an Associate Municipal Court Judge. Judge Brad Brownlow stated that we have been without an Associate Judge for several years and during that time Judge Becky Dally from Social Circle has covered for him in the past when he has been out. However, he explained that Judge Dally has recently resigned her post so the appointment of an Associate Judge has become necessary and he recommended Ms. Duff. Council Member Jerry Price made a motion to appoint Ms. Lori Duff as Associate Judge. Council Member Dan Curry seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Judge Brownlow gave Ms. Duff the oath of office.

Council Member Michelle Lynch presented the Loganville FBC 5K Run to the Council. Council Member Michelle Lynch made a motion to approve the 5K Run for September 17, 2011. Council Member Dan Curry seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Council Member Michelle Lynch announced that the Walton County Chamber of Commerce would be holding their Business and Community Expo on September 29 from 3pm – 8pm at Meridian Park here in town.

Council Member Michelle Lynch announced that the Taste of Loganville would be held at the High School on October 1, 2011 from 5pm to 9pm. She also asked everyone to participate in the Ford Drive for Your School event which will donate money to the school for every test drive that is taken on this date.

Council Member Michelle Lynch announced that the Autumn Heritage Festival would be held on October 15, 2011. She explained that the event committee has already approved 50 applications and the next round of approvals will be held on Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. She encouraged everyone who is interested in participating to get their application in and announced the deadline would be October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Council Member Michelle Lynch announced that the Christmas Parade would be held on December 3<sup>rd</sup> and the website for the parade will be live beginning on Monday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. She explained that applications can be found on the website and the theme for this year's parade will be "Through the Eyes of a Child." She further explained that the entry fee for the parade would be a canned food donation.

Council Member Dan Curry asked WQC Director Chris Yancey to give an update on the Fox Chase Project and the water tank. Mr. Yancey explained that the Fox Chase Project is just about completed. He explained that they are working on the punch list now with the contractor and hopefully will have that completed tomorrow. Mr. Yancey also stated that the tank is a little behind schedule due to some weather conditions. He explained that they are currently working on finishing the painting so that they can get the tank online as soon as possible.

Council Member Rey Martinez made a motion to close off parking on the eastside of Main Street going north due to accidents and complaints. Mayor Nunley asked if this would be permanent. Mr. Martinez stated that it would. Council Member Wendell Geiger asked if this would have to have DOT approval. Council Member Rey Martinez stated that it would require DOT approval. Public Works Director Randall Casper explained that he would request that the Mayor be allowed to sign a letter to DOT outlining this request. He further explained that then the DOT would come out and take a look at the situation and if they felt like the conditions supported this request they would do all the work as far as signage, painting, etc. Council Member Wendell Geiger seconded the motion pending approval by the DOT. Motion carried 6-0.

Council Member Rey Martinez explained that in Huntington Ridge Subdivision it gets crowded at Halloween for fire safety to go into the subdivision. Council Member Rey Martinez made a motion that for the 2 weeks prior to October 31<sup>st</sup> through November 3<sup>rd</sup> parking be eliminated on Huntington Drive and only allow parking on the even numbered streets and not in the cul-de-sacs. Council Member Mark Kiddoo asked Mr. Martinez to clarify the parking on even streets. Council Member Martinez explained that parking would only be allowed on even streets and no cul-de-sac parking on Huntington Street. Mayor Nunley stated that the parking would only be on the side of the street with the even numbered houses. Council Member Michelle Lynch asked if that would be for actually 3 weeks. Council Member Martinez stated that 3 weeks was fine. He explained that it would be 3 weeks before October 31<sup>st</sup> and 3 days after or through November 3<sup>rd</sup>. Mayor Nunley asked why we are doing it three weeks prior to Halloween. Council Member Martinez stated that it would allow for the residents in Huntington to be notified and get them ready for Halloween. Council Member Dan Curry stated that he felt like 2 weeks was ample time. Council Member Mark Kiddoo stated that in his opinion we would have a hard time enforcing something like this whether it was 2 or 3 weeks. He stated that doing it for 2 or 3 weeks was a mistake since there can be a problem year round. Council Member Martinez stated

that the problem is the weekend of Halloween is the problem. He stated that it is a nightmare during this time and some residents complained that it took them an hour to get to their home. He further explained that if something was to happen it would be hard to get emergency vehicles through. Mayor Nunley asked Police Chief Mike McHugh if he would assume the role of enforcing that for 2 weeks. Chief McHugh stated that he didn't know if they could. He stated that they might be able to help control it but they wouldn't be able to issue any citations for it because there is a 30 day notification requirement when you make a change to a road such as this. Mayor Nunley asked why we are looking to do it for 2 weeks. He stated that did not make any sense to him. Mayor Nunley questioned if you want to stop the parking on Huntington Drive fine but why do it 2 weeks before Halloween. Council Member Martinez stated that it is his understanding that it is a nightmare in this subdivision on Halloween and they want to give the residents enough time to know that they can't park on the street before Halloween. City Manager Bill Jones stated that the problem is that on Halloween there are so many people that come to Trick or Treat you cannot get in or out of the subdivision. He stated that he has counted over 700 kids in previous years. He further explained that he sat on 20 last year barely moving and it took 45 minutes for him to get to his home. He stated that the problem is not that he can't get home but what if someone had a heart attacked and that "we" the City can't get through to provide treatment to that person. He explained that we need to eliminate the parking on Huntington Drive whether it is for the month of October or whatever. Mayor Nunley explained that he understood that but he felt like if this was a problem it's a problem everyday not just on Halloween. Mayor Nunley stated that maybe we should stop parking on Huntington Drive permanently. Fire Chief Danny Roberts stated that from personal experience Tara is getting just as bad. After much discussion, Council Member Dan Curry made a motion to table this issue until next month. Council Member Mark Kiddoo seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Council Member Rey Martinez made a motion to approve the new fuel station. Mayor Nunley asked where the bids came from. Public Works Director Randall Casper stated that he has received 2 bids (Track Engineering and Apex) and that he has used the lowest bids that he has received. Mayor Nunley clarified that this was improvements to the current fuel center for \$117,039. Council Member Michelle Lynch seconded the motion. Council Member Mark Kiddoo asked if we hadn't already approved part of this and if so how much of it was approve prior to this meeting. Mr. Casper explained that in June the Council approved \$90,000 but that was before the pricing was given for the paving, fencing and security. Mr. Casper also explained that this would be coming from SPLOST funding. With no further discussion, motion carried 6-0.

Council Member Martinez presented a proposal for a new four-way stop at CS Floyd and Fair Street. Police Chief McHugh explained the current situation and added that hopefully this might help eliminate some of the congestion and stop some of the cut through traffic. Council Member Rey Martinez made a motion to approve a four way stop at CS Floyd and Fair Street. Council Member Wendell Geiger seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Nunley asked if he could not close Huntington Drive with an executive order for 2 days. Maybe notify everyone a letter to the people on Huntington Drive so they would be prepared to eliminate the parking issue. He stated that he wanted to handle it with an executive order for Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> and Monday, October 31<sup>st</sup> and send them a letter to make them aware. Mr.

Jones stated that we can go ahead and put up the signs so that the people will be prepared and aware of the change.

City Manager Bill Jones announced that the official call for the Special Election will run in the paper on Sunday due to the 2 questions regarding Sunday Alcohol Sales being on the ballot.

City Manager Bill Jones also announced that Walton Municipal would be meeting next Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at Journey's End.


City Manager Bill Jones stated that Fesco has requested to put up a gate and they will provide the City with a key in the event we need to gain access. Council Member Michelle Lynch made a motion to approve the fence to be put up along Fesco Way. Council Member Dan Curry seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

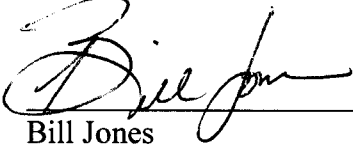
#### COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

Judge Brownlow came forward and explained that the jail is experiencing extreme overcrowding. He wanted to make sure that the Council knew that he is having to accept pleas and releasing people he wouldn't normally do that for due to this problem. Mayor Nunley encouraged everyone to support the next SPLOST referendum to help pay for a new jail.

With no further discussion, Council Member Michelle Lynch made a motion to adjourn. Council Member Wendell Geiger seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 pm.

  
Ray Nunley  
Mayor

  
Bill Jones  
City Manager