

**MINUTES**  
**RESCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AND WORK SESSION**  
**September 18, 2017**  
**5:00 P.M.**

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CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Grogan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present were Mayor W. James Grogan, Councilmember Angie Smith, Councilmember Caleb Phillips, Councilmember Jason Power, Councilmember Mike Sosebee, City Attorney Kevin Tallant, Deputy City Clerk Beverly Banister, City Manager Bob Bolz, Utilities Director Gary Barr, Public Works Operations Manager Trampas Hansard, Planning Director Casey Majewski and HR Manager Tracy Smith.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE: Invocation and pledge was led by Jason Power.

AGENDA: Motion to approve the agenda as presented by: M. Sosebee/J. Power. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

MINUTES: Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting August 7, 2017 and the work session August 30, 2017 by: J. Power/C. Phillips. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

ZA-2017-C7-00120: Len Reeves has requested to amend/modify the existing zoning stipulations/conditions for TMP D02 001 located at 280 Maple Street South; current zoning is R6 (Residential Multi-Family) with stipulations.

ZA-2017-C7-00121: Len Reeves has requested to amend/modify the existing zoning stipulations/conditions for TMP 083 038-082 located at 0 Maple Street South; current zoning is R6 (Residential Multi-Family) with stipulations.

Planning Director Casey Majewski spoke with applicant who is unavailable to attend and requested to postpone until the regular City Council Meeting in November.

Motion to table ZA-2017-C7-00120 and ZA-2017-C7-00121 until November 6, 2017 by J. Power/M. Sosebee. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Proclamation for National Surgical Technologist Week: Mayor Grogan read the proclamation into the minutes; no one in attendance to present it to.

Recognize Members of PC and HPC: City Manager Bob Bolz announced and recognized the members of the Planning Commission and the Historic Preservation Commission for their service. John Walden from the Planning Commission was in attendance and recognized.

Cintas Fire Protection Services Agreement: Motion to approve the agreement made by M. Sosebee/J. Power. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

GA Fund One User Change by Resolution: Motion to approve by resolution to add Bob Bolz and Beverly Banister as authorized Georgia One Fund users and remove Bonnie Warne by: M. Sosebee/J. Power. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

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Special Event Application with Alcohol - GRHOF Silent Auction October 27-29, 2017: Motion to approve special event application with alcohol for the Georgia Racing Hall of Fame Silent Auction by A. Smith/C. Phillips. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

Special Event Application with Alcohol - Benchmark Physical Therapy Fundraiser at GRHOF on October 20, 2017: Motion to approve special event application with alcohol for Benchmark Physical Therapy Fundraiser pending proof of 501c3 status or using a licensed alcohol caterer or holding the event without alcohol by C. Phillips/J. Power. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

Special Event Application with Alcohol - Dawsonville Tavern October 27-29, 2017: Motion to approve special event application with alcohol for the Dawsonville Tavern by C. Phillips/J. Power. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

GDOT LMIG Grant with 30% Match from the City: Motion to approve LMIG Grant with 30% match from the City by J. Power/M. Sosebee. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

Planning Director as designee for City Seal on Licenses and Permits: Motion to approve Planning Director as designee for City Seal on licenses, permits and certificates of occupancy by J. Power/M. Sosebee. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

Appoint City Clerk: Motion to appoint Beverly Banister as City Clerk by A. Smith/C. Phillips. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

Combined Annexation Reduction Request (Gold Creek residents): Gail Horne spoke on behalf of the Gold Creek residents. Item will be placed on the October 2, 2017 City Council meeting for a vote.

Renewal of MOU for Fire Protection: Motion to approve the renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding for fire protection by M. Sosebee/A. Smith. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

Discuss 2018 Insurance Benefits: Human Resource Manager Tracy Smith informed the Council regarding the 2018 insurance benefits. Item will be placed on the October 2, 2017 City Council meeting for a vote.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

ANX 2017-001: LCG Residential LLC has petitioned for annexation into the city limits of Dawsonville for the 9.9 acres at TMP 094 046, located at 1324 Hwy 9 South, with a request to rezone to R3 (Single Family Residential). (First reading Sept 18<sup>th</sup> /Second reading Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>)

ZA-2017-C7-00207: LCG Residential has requested a zoning amendment, upon annexation, for TMP 094 046 located at 1324 Hwy 9 South, consisting of 9.9 acres, from County Zoning of RSR (Residential Sub Rural) to City Zoning R-3 (Single Family Residential). (First reading by PC Aug 14<sup>th</sup>/Final reading Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>)

The public hearing was unanimously opened by C. Phillips/A. Smith. Attorney Kevin Tallant presented the applications for annexation and rezoning. Matthew Bennett from LCG spoke in favor of the applications reiterating their intention. No one spoke in opposition. The public hearing was unanimously closed by A. Smith/J. Power.

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An Ordinance For The Purpose of Providing For Regulation And Franchise Fees For State And Federal Utility Franchises; For Revising And Correcting The Telecommunications Services Franchises And Licenses Ordinance; To Provide For Repealer; To Provide An Effective Date; And For Other Purposes. (First reading Sept 18<sup>th</sup>/ Second reading Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>)

The public hearing was unanimously opened by J. Power/A. Smith. Attorney Kevin Tallant presented the ordinance. No one spoke in favor or opposition. The public hearing was unanimously closed by J. Power/C. Phillips.

An Ordinance To Amend The City Of Dawsonville Occupation Taxes And Miscellaneous Business Regulations Ordinance; To Provide For Regulation Of Peddlers And Temporary Vendors; To Provide For Regulation Of Mobile Food Vendors; To Provide For Regulation Of City Farmers' Market Sellers; To Repeal Conflicting Ordinances; And For Other Purposes. (First reading Sept 18<sup>th</sup>/ Second reading Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>)

The public hearing was unanimously opened by A. Smith/J. Power. Attorney Kevin Tallant presented the ordinance. No one spoke in favor. David McKee from Kare for Kids spoke in opposition stating the ordinance as drafted could result in a reduction of vendors at the Moonshine Festival therefore resulting in a smaller sized festival. Christie Haynes also spoke in opposition explaining the impact on other vendors. The public hearing was unanimously closed by J. Power/C. Phillips.

**STAFF REPORTS:**

City Manager Bob Bolz thanked the Council for appointing the new City Clerk. He reported on the status of the Finance Administrator; it's been advertised, the deadline is September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 6 applicants have applied to date and interviews will be scheduled next week. Construction is almost complete on the new office for the HR Manager, mailboxes have been relocated to the back room and new renovations in the lobby at City Hall have created a more customer friendly atmosphere. Sidewalks from Shoal Creek to Red Hawk has been started. Water meter replacement project is almost complete and will finish well above the schedule. The company is singing praises of the water department crew and how well the project has gone. Public Works manager will be seeking sealed bids on the landscape project already budgeted for the bank located at City Hall along Hwy 53 E; the deadline is Monday. He welcomed Savanna Barker who is a Dawson County High School Work Study student, working 3.5 hours per day covering reception duties as needed. He publicly thanked City personnel, David McKee and crew, the Sheriff's Department, EMS, countless private citizens and all the power crews who worked so hard together during the storm.

Newly appointed City Clerk Beverly Banister reported on the financials for the month of July which were compiled by Bonnie Warne prior to her departure pointing out corrections made to the income statement that did not correlate with the Revenue and Expenditure Report and aside from that it appeared the accounts were balanced through July 31, 2017.

Utilities Director Gary Barr reported on the water meter replacement project citing it is going good, there are 6 or 7 large and complicated meters that still need to be replace and should be finished this week. A test run on reading meters was done prior to the storm and 1,270 meters were read with a few needing to be read manually. He expressed how great it was to have 2 people read meters in a few hours when it usually takes 6 people a day and a half. Prior to the storm, the well

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108 pump went out; the pump has been ordered, should be received this week and will be installed. Due to the storm on Monday, everything electrical was down. All generators were running but lacking in a few areas where more generators are needed. One well was back up on Wednesday and another on Thursday; all the well pumps were back to normal as of today. It was devastating to the system without power and even when power is restored, other problems occur because of the power being out.

Public Works Operations Manager Trampas Hansard reported on a lot of debris down in the right of ways and grass cannot be cut due to Monday's storm. They are working on removing the debris and a crew is coming on Tuesday to remove the debris and grind it up; citizens can bring their debris to the right of way and receive this service as well. They are behind in their grass cutting this week. The sidewalks at Red Hawk are 30% done; 18 loads of dirt have been hauled away and will be traded for decorative handrails.

Planning Director Casey Majewski reported on a very busy month in the Planning Department; they are very thankful for Savanna Barker's help in getting them organized. She spoke about unpermitted construction activities at Gold Creek Foods. She has reached out by phone with no response; a letter has been sent today regarding the issue. Complaints have been received about their processing time as they are asking for more details on plans and drawings according to the ICC regulations in the ordinance; permit applications have been updated, they are having up front conversations with the applicants and actively working on improving their processing times which may include new software. The department has met with 3 different developers to discuss the amenities package. Staff scheduled for training on ICC plan review and GA Zoning Administration Conference in Helen. The department is still doing on average 70 inspections and 20 new residential building permits each month; commercial permits have also increased.

**COUNCIL/MAYOR REPORTS:**

Councilmember Angie Smith reported the most recent Historic Preservation Commission meeting could not meet due to no quorum.

Mayor James Grogan reported on attending the GMA Board of Directors meeting as they are working on broadband issues and they are in the process of selecting a new executive director.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** At 6:35 p.m. the Council motioned to close regular session and go into executive session for the purpose of Personnel by: M. Sosebee/C. Phillips. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

At 6:49 p.m. a motion to close executive session was made by: M. Sosebee/A. Smith. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

**ADJOURNMENT:** With there being no further business to attend to, the meeting closed and adjourned at 6:49 p.m. by: C. Phillips/A. Smith. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

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By: CITY OF DAWSONVILLE

ABSENT WHEN APPROVED

Mayor W. James Grogan

Caleb Phillips  
Councilmember Caleb Phillips

Jason Power  
Councilmember Jason Power, Mayor Pro-Tem

Angie Smith  
Councilmember Angie Smith

Mike Sosebee  
Councilmember Mike Sosebee



Attested: [Signature]  
City Clerk/Deputy City Clerk

STATE OF GEORGIA  
COUNTY OF DAWSON

AFFIDAVIT OF THE CITY OF DAWSONVILLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor W. James Grogan, Council Member Caleb Phillips, Council Member Angie Smith, Council Member Jason Power and Council Member Mike Sosebee; being duly sworn, state under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge and belief:

1. The City of Dawsonville Council met in a duly advertised meeting on the September 18, 2017.
2. During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.
3. The executive session was called to order at 6<sup>35</sup> p.m.
4. The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law: (check all that apply)

Consultation with the City Attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the City or any officer or employee or in which the City or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1);

Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(2) and \_\_\_\_\_;

Discussion of future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(4);

Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a City officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(6);

Other \_\_\_\_\_ as provided in: \_\_\_\_\_.

This 18th day of September, 2017; By the City of Dawsonville, Mayor and Council:

ABSENT WHEN APPROVED  
W. James Grogan, Mayor

Caleb Phillips  
Caleb Phillips, Council Member

Jason Power  
Jason Power, Council Member, Mayor Pro-Tem

Angie Smith  
Angie Smith, Council Member

Mike Sosebee  
Mike Sosebee, Council Member

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October, 2017.

Tracy G. Smith  
Signature  
Notary Public  
My Commission expires:



Tracy G. Smith  
NOTARY PUBLIC  
Dawson County, Georgia  
My Commission Expires  
August 13, 2021