

CITY OF LAGRANGE, GEORGIA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

May 24, 2016

Present: Mayor Thornton; Council Members Willie Edmondson, Mark Mitchell, LeGree McCamey, Norma Tucker and Nick Woodson

Also Present: Interim City Manager Meg Kelsey; City Attorney Jeff Todd

Absent: Council Member Tom Gore

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Thornton the invocation was given by Nick Woodson, Council Member and Mayor Thornton led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

On a motion by Mr. McCamey seconded by Mr. Edmondson, Council approved the minutes of the regular Council meeting held on May 10, 2016.

Mayor Thornton presented a 30 year service award to Ronnie Cantrell, Public Works Manager. Mayor Thornton expressed the gratitude of the Mayor and Council for Mr. Cantrell's long career service to the City of LaGrange.

Mr. Chris Walker, Community Coordinator with the Georgia Department of Community Supervision, appeared before the Council and briefly discussed the Georgia Prisoner Reentry Initiative. The goal of the program is to enhance public safety by reducing crime through the implementation of a seamless plan of services and supervision developed with each returning citizen. The DCS staff works in conjunction with local community service providers to assist in successful reentry. A stakeholders meeting will be held at the Callaway Conference Center on June 16, 2016 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Mr. Joe Alford, LaGrange Housing Authority, appeared before the Council and briefly discussed development of the Dawson Street School. Council requested staff to review submitted proposals and make a recommendation to the Council at a future meeting.

Ms. Tucker briefly discussed a recent GMA Training Session held in LaGrange at the Troup County Chamber of Commerce. No action was taken.

On a motion by Mr. Edmondson seconded by Ms. Tucker, Council voted unanimously to call for a public hearing on June 14, 2016 to gain citizen input on the 2016-2017 City Budget.

On a motion by Mr. Edmondson seconded by Mr. McCamey, Council voted unanimously to authorize the Mayor and Deputy City Manager to execute a First Amendment to the Public Roadway, Water and Sewer Infrastructure agreement with Selig Enterprises. A copy of the agreement is on file in the City Manager's Office.

On a motion by Ms. Tucker seconded by Mr. Woodson, Council voted unanimously to accept Jane Fryer Road.

In good news closing comments, Ms. Kelsey announced the launch of the City's redesigned website. Ms Kelsey noted that the website has a fresh new look with user-friendly navigation and incorporates the new logo.

There was no other business and the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Thornton.

Mayor

Deputy City Manager, Administration/Finance