



City of Guyton
City Council Hearing and Meeting
February 14, 2023 – 7:00 p.m.

MINUTES OF MEETING

Call to Order – The City of Guyton Council held a Council Meeting on February 14, 2023, at the City of Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street in Guyton. This meeting was called to order by Mayor Russ Deen at approximately 7:00 p.m. Mayor Russ Deen, Mayor Pro Tem Michael Johnson, Councilmember Joseph Lee, Councilmember Hursula Pelote, and Councilmember Marshall Reiser were present at this meeting.

Other Administrative Staff Present – City Attorney Ben Perkins, City Manager Meketa Brown, and City Clerk Matthew Walker were present.

Guest Present - The guests sign-in sheets are filed in the office of the City Clerk.

Invocation – Cub Scout Pack 295 gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Cub Scout Pack 295.

Consideration to Approve the Agenda, adding Item G, Bid opening for painting the downtown water tower – Reiser made a motion to approve the agenda as amended. Pelote seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Consideration to Approve Minutes of Meeting for the January 10, 2023, Council Meeting – Johnson made a motion to approve minutes of meeting from January 10, 2023. Reiser seconded. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Reports from Staff or Committees

Police Department	Joseph Coppola
Fire Department	Clint Hodges
City Clerk	Matthew Walker
Public Works/Water/Sewer	EOM – City Manager read report
Planning and Zoning	Mike Gerwig
Industrial Development	Lon Harden
Historical Commission	Lucy Powell
Leisure Services	Lula Seabrooks
Library Board	Jim Odum
Chamber of Commerce	Hursula Pelote

Public Comments (will be limited to Agenda Items only) – No public comments were made at this time.

Old Business

Second reading and consideration of Ordinance 2023-01 authorizing the Board of Elections and Registration of Effingham County to conduct the City of Guyton's Municipal Elections to occur during the 2023 elections cycle - Johnson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2023-01. Lee seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

New Business

First reading of Ordinance 2023-02 for the Defined Benefit Retirement Plan

Consideration to approve 2023 Calendar of Events - Johnson made a motion to approve the 2023 Calendar of Events. Reiser seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration to approve 2023 Trash Amnesty Day Plan - Johnson made a motion to approve 2023 Trash Amnesty Day Plan. Lee seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration to approve updated Pay Plan - Johnson made a motion to approve updated Pay Plan. Reiser seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration to approve change order for Phase 2 archeologic testing of new LAS site- Johnson made a motion to approve change order in the amount of \$15,448.75 for archeologic testing of the new LAS site. Lee seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration to approve \$2500 from SPLOST for Camelia Pilgrim Trail Project - Johnson made a motion to approve \$2500 from SPLOST for Camelia Pilgrim Trail Project to be overseen by Ms. Brown. Pelote seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Bid Opening for City of Guyton Historic Water Tower Project

General Government

**Cub Scout Trail Clean Up Project – Assistant Scout Leader – Adopt-a-Trail
Training Certificate Presentation – Pam Helton presented to Council Member Pelote
Sidewalk TAP Grant – Mayor Deen
Community Prayer – Pastor Bernard Scott
Downtown Development Authority – Mayor Deen and Ben Perkins
Agricenter Water Agreement – Mayor Deen, Council Members Johnson and Pelote**

Dates to Remember

Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 10:00am – TAP Grant Kick Off Meeting, Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312

Saturday, February 25, 2023 at 4:00pm – Community Prayer, Caboose on the Walking Trail, 310 Central Boulevard, Guyton, GA 31312

Wednesday, March 1, 2023 from 8:00am to 1:00pm – American Red Cross Blood Drive, Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312

Saturday, March 4, 2023 from 10:00am to 2:00pm – Savannah River Fire Festival, Warnell Forest Education Center, 5960 Highway 17 South, Guyton, GA 31312

Tuesday, March 7, 2023 from 9:00am to 1:00pm – Seniors in the Know, Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312

Tuesday, March 7, 2023 at 7:00pm – Public Hearing on Mobile/Manufactured Homes, Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312

Tuesday, March 14, 2023 at 7:00pm – City Council Meeting, Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312

Tuesday, March 20, 2023 at 2:00pm – Comprehensive Plan Stakeholder Meeting, Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312

Consideration to move from the Regular Meeting into an Executive Session referencing Property and Litigation - Pelote made a motion at 8:04 pm to move from the Regular Meeting into an Executive Session referencing Property and Litigation. Reiser seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Consideration to take any action needed arising from Executive Session – No action taken

Public Comments (will be limited to Agenda Items only) – No public was present at this time

Consideration to adjourn- Pelote made a motion to adjourn. Reiser seconded. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:00 pm.

City of Guyton



Russ Deen, Mayor

Attest:



Matthew D. Walker, City Clerk

