



**City of Guyton**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**June 8, 2021 – 7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

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**Call to Order** – The City of Guyton Council held a Council Meeting on June 8, 2021, at the City of Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street in Guyton. This meeting was called to order by Mayor Russ Deen at approximately 7:01 p.m. Mayor Russ Deen, Mayor Pro Tem Michael Johnson, Sr., Council Member Joseph Lee, Council Member Hursula Pelote, and Council Member T. Marshall Reiser were present at this meeting. **Other Administrative Staff Present** – Interim City Manager Mike Eskew, City Attorney David Mullens and Interim City Clerk Jenna Tidwell were present. **Guest Present** - The guests sign-in sheets are filed in the office of the City Clerk.

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**Invocation** – Lee gave the invocation.

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**Pledge of Allegiance** – The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Deen.

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**Consideration to approve or amend the agenda** – Reiser made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Pelote seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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**Consideration to approve Minutes of Meetings** - Reiser made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 11, 2021, Regular Council Meeting. Pelote seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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**Reports were given by the following Staff or Committees:**

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| • | Police Department     | Chief James Breletic |
| • | Fire Department       | Chief Clint Hodges   |
| • | Public Works          | EOM                  |
| • | Historical Commission | Pearl Boynes         |
| • | Planning and Zoning   | Lon Harden           |
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**Public Comments (Limited to Agenda Items only)** – No public Comments.

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**NEW BUSINESS**

**Proclamation honoring Calvin Nesmith** – Mayor Deen and Councilmembers issued a proclamation for Calvin Nesmith for his 32 years of service.

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**Second reading and consideration to approve Ordinance Number 2021-04 regarding the FY 2021/2022 Budget** – Johnson made a motion to approve the Ordinance Number 2021-04 regarding the FY 2021/2022 Budget. Lee seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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**Consideration to approve Resolution 2021-03 regarding the Employee Handbook** - Reiser made a motion to approve the Resolution 2021-03 regarding implementing the Employee Handbook. Mayor Deen seconded the motion. Pelote, Johnson, and Lee oppose. **Motion failed.**

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**Consideration to approve hiring two new Police Officers** — Johnson made a motion to approve the hiring of two new police officers. Reiser seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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**Consideration to approve Resolution 2021-04 regarding initiating a voter referendum to authorize issuance of licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits** - Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-04 regarding initiating a voter referendum to authorize issuance of licenses for the package sale of distilled spirits. Reiser seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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**Consideration to approve Rightspot contract** – Reiser motioned to approve Rightspot contract. Pelote seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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**Consideration to approve city manager to hire summer interns** - Pelote made a motion approve city manager to hire summer interns. Reiser seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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**Consideration to approve expenditure for City Council Retirement Plan Study** – Johnson made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$1,200.00 for GMA (Georgia Municipal Association) to proceed with the study for the City Council Retirement Plan. Lee seconded the motion. Pelote agreed, Mayor Russ and Reiser oppose. **Motion passed.**

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**Consideration to approve GYM AC Repair expense** - Johnson made a motion to approve the City Manager to approve the expenditure to repair the gym air conditioner. Lee seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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**Consideration to approve GDOT List of Roadways** - Pelote made a motion to approve GDOT List of Roadways. Johnson seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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**Consideration to approve Geocaching in the City of Guyton** – Pelote made a motion to approve Geocaching in the City of Guyton. Johnson seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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#### **Dates to Remember:**

- a. Thursday, June 17, 2021, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p. m. – Guyton Historical Commission Summer Social, Caboose across from City Hall
  - b. Tuesday, June 22, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. Planning and Zoning Meeting, C.D. Dean Jr., Public Safety Complex, City of Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia St., Guyton, GA 31312
  - c. Wednesday, June 23, 2021, from 1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. – American Red Cross Blood Drive C.D. Dean Jr., Public Safety Complex, City of Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia St., Guyton, GA 31312
  - d. Tuesday, July 6, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. - City Council Workshop, C.D. Dean Jr., Public Safety Complex, City of Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia St., Guyton, GA 31312
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**Consideration to move from the Regular Meeting into an Executive Session referencing Litigation, Personnel, and Property Acquisition** - Reiser made a motion at approximately 8:02 p.m. to move from this meeting into an Executive Session reference litigation, personnel, and property acquisition. Pelote seconded the motion, **Motion passed unanimously.**

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

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**Public Comments (Limited to Agenda Items only)** – No public comments.

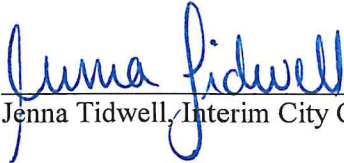
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**Adjournment** – Pelote made a motion at approximately 8:42 p.m. to adjourn this meeting. Reiser seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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Russ Deen, Mayor



Jenna Tidwell, Interim City Clerk

