



**City of Guyton  
City Council Meeting  
December 8, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES OF MEETING**

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**Call to Order**

The December 8, 2020 City of Guyton City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Russ Deen at approximately 7:00 p.m. Mayor Russ Deen, Council Member Joseph Lee, Council Member Hursula Pelote and Council Member T. Marshall Reiser were present at this meeting. Mayor Pro Tem, Michael Johnson, Sr., joined the Meeting at 7:06 p.m.

**Other Staff Present** – City Manager Bill Sawyer and City Clerk Tina Chadwick were present.

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**Moment of Repose for Those Who Practice Some Other Faith**

Deen asked all present to take a brief repose for those who practice some other faith.

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**Invocation**

Councilwoman Pelote gave the Invocation.

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**Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Deen

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**Consideration to approve the Agenda**

Reiser made a motion to Amend and Approve the Agenda of item a to read Introduction of Ordinance 2020-15 – Rezone and Annexation of Property. 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 of the Tuesday, November 3, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. – City Council Workshop, Tuesday, November 10, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. – City Council Meeting – Wednesday, November 18, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. – City Council Retreat and the Thursday, November 19, 2020 – City Council Retreat.

Reiser made a Motion to Approve all said Minutes. Pelote seconded the Motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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## Reports from Staff

City Manager – Bill Sawyer – Sawyer stated that the City will rebid the Guyton Gym Windows Project – Sawyer briefly discussed the Annexation steps – GEMA Grant – Crossgate – Guardrails – Sanitation will get resolved tonight – WWTP – Sawyer will address some of these issues later in the Meeting

Police Department – Chief James Breletic – 568 Calls – 20 Incident Reports – 15 Supplemental Reports – 4 Arrests – 71 Citations

Fire Department – Clint Hodges – 317 Calls County Wide – 15 Calls within the City Limits – Fire Alarms – 2 Fatality Accidents

Public Works – EOM – Charlie Heino – 7.7 Million Gallons of Drinking Water – Treated 6 Million Gallons of Water – Smoke Testing started yesterday. Heino describes the Smoke Testing process.

Historical Commission – Ms. Lucy Powell stated that she would like to thank the Mayor and Council for coming out to support the Luminary Service tonight.

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## Public Comments (will be limited to Agenda Items only)

No Public Comments

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## NEW BUSINESS

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**Introduction of Ordinance Number 2020-15 – Rezone and Annexation of Certain Property owned by the Estate of Luvern Vanidver, currently known as Effingham County Parcel No. 02950053, located at Highway 17, approximately 0.19 miles south from the Intersections of Highway 17 and 119, in Guyton, Georgia, from Effingham County Zoning Classification AR-1 to City of Guyton Zoning Classifications R-1 and C-2; to Repeal all Ordinances in Conflict herewith; to provide an Effective Date; and for other Purposes.**

Mayor Deen read the Ordinance for the Record. Mayor Deen stated that he owns land across from this property, but the Mayor does not have any financial interest in this property, so he will be participating in this.

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## Consideration to Approve the City Manager to rebid the Guyton Gym Windows Project

Sawyer stated that the City had previously bid this project and the low bid was \$30,000 to high. Sawyer recommends that the City rebid this project and he thinks that the City can save around \$24,000 in doing this.

Johnson made a Motion to Approve the City Manager to rebid the Guyton Gym Windows Project. Reiser seconded the Motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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**Consideration to Approve a Sanitation Contract (Waste Management/Waste Pro or Atlantic)**

Mayor Deen started the process of opening bids:

Atlantic:

1 Trash Cart/1 Recycle Cart - \$15.00  
2 Trash Carts - \$15.00  
Additional Trash Cart - \$5.00  
Extra Recycle Cart - \$5.00  
Monday is Available  
3 Year Contract  
Cardboard Recycling – None  
Dumpster – None

Waste Pro:

1 Trash Cart/1 Recycle Cart - \$14.74  
2 Trash Carts - \$14.74  
Additional Trash Cart - \$4.74  
Extra Recycle Cart - \$4.74  
Monday is Available  
3 Year Contract  
Cardboard Recycling – None – City will receive the revenue  
Dumpster – None

Waste Management:

1 Trash Cart/1 Recycle Cart - \$15.25  
2 Trash Carts - \$15.25  
Additional Trash Cart - \$5.15  
Extra Recycle Cart - \$5.25  
Monday is Available  
3 Year Contract  
Cardboard Recycling – None  
Dumpster – None

Johnson made a Motion to Approve a Sanitation Contract with Waste Pro contingent on the review by the Mayor and City Manager. Lee seconded the Motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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**Consideration to Approve a TSPLOST Bank Account**

Sawyer stated that in April of this year that the City will start receiving funds for TSPOLST. The City Charter requires that we open a separate checking account for the TSPLOST money.

Reiser made a Motion to Approve a TSPOLST Bank Account. Johnson seconded the Motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

## **Consideration to Approve a Resolution regarding a Deposit for Utility Accounts.**

Sawyer stated that he and Councilwoman Pelote worked on a Deposit for Utility Accounts. Sawyer asked with the Council's permission for this to be added to the January Agenda.

Pelote made a Motion to Table the Resolution regarding a Deposit for Utility Accounts until the January Meeting. Johnson seconded the Motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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## **Consideration to Approve the City Manager's Recommendation for the Guyton Guardrail Project**

Sawyer stated that he would like to give special consideration to Councilman Johnson and Councilman Lee. The bids were opened today, and the low bid was \$71,795.66. Sawyer stated that he would like for Council to Approve the low bid of \$71, 795.66

Johnson made a Motion to Accept the Low Bid of \$71,795.66 for the Guyton Guardrail Project. Lee seconded the Motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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## **Consideration to Approve the City Manager's Recommendation for the Crossgate Drainage Project**

Sawyer stated that the low bid was \$41,090 from Tim Lanier Construction. Sawyer stated that he would like for Council to Approve the low bid of \$41,090. Sawyer states that the City should have a Notice to Proceed in 30 days.

Lee made a Motion to Accept the Low Bid of \$41,090 for the Crossgate Drainage Project. Pelote seconded the Motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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## **General Government**

**GEMA Generator Grant – Bill Sawyer** – The City is working with EOM on this Grant. The City has sent the final documentation for Approval. Waiting for the State to give the City a Notice to Proceed.

**CDBG Grant - Bill Sawyer** – Sawyer states that the City will meet next Tuesday with the Housing Representative and for the Drainage issue.

**Banking Services - RFP – Bill Sawyer** – Sawyer states that The City has advertised in the local paper. Several Banks have contacted the City. Sawyer would like to get interest on the City's Accounts.

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## **Dates to Remember**

Saturday, December 12, 2020 at 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. – Roadside and River Cleanup (EOM)  
Please Volunteer to help keep our City and County Clean

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Tuesday, December 15, at 7:00 p.m. – Special Called City Council Meeting (Vandiver Tract – HWY 17 – Annexation) – C.D. Dean, Jr., Public Safety Complex, City of Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312

Thursday, December 24, 2020 and Friday, December 25, 2020 City Hall will be closed for Christmas Eve and Christmas

Thursday, December 31, 2020 City Hall will be closing at 12:00 p.m. for New Year's Eve

Friday, January 1, 2021 City Hall will be closed for New Year's Day

Tuesday, January 5, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. – City Council Workshop, C.D. Dean, Jr., Public Safety Complex, Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312

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**Public Comments (will be limited to Agenda Items only)**

No Public Comments

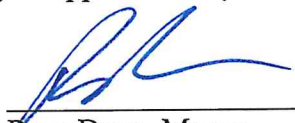
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**Consideration to Adjourn this Meeting**

Pelote made a Motion to Adjourn this City Council Meeting at Approximately 7:42 p.m. Johnson seconded the Motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

  
Tina Chadwick, City Clerk



  
Russ Deen, Mayor