

**City of Winder
City Council Meeting
Winder Community Center
113 East Athens Street
May 4, 2010
6:00 p.m.**

The regular meeting of the City of Winder Mayor and Council was held this date with the following present:

Present: Mayor Chip Thompson

Councilmember's: Bob Dixon
Frank Dunagan
Charlie Eberhart
David Maynard
Sonny Morris
JR Parrish

Administrative Staff: City Clerk Sabrina Wall
Assistant City Clerk Gloria Andrews
Finance Director Leslie Henderson

Mayor Thompson called the meeting to order. Councilman Eberhart delivered the opening prayer. Following the prayer, Mayor Thompson led those present in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Minutes Approved

The minutes for the City of Winder regular meeting held on April 6, 2010 were approved as presented. Councilman Eberhart made a motion to approve. Councilman Dunagan seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Citizen Input

Kay Peirce stated concerns over the increases to the Water & Waste Water. She feels the public should be made more aware of increases.

Molly Hammond with Universal Flea Market extended an invitation to visit their location before making a decision regarding flea markets.

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Financial Report

Finance Director Leslie Ginn reviewed the Financial Status Report. At April 2010, the tenth month of fiscal year 2010 represents 83.33% of the fiscal year. Ideal revenues for the period should be equal to or greater than 83.33% of the annual budgeted revenues while ideal expenditures should be equal to or less than 83.33% of the annual budgeted expenditures.

General fund revenues collected were 86.72% of the total budgeted revenues while operating expenditures were 74.27% of total budgeted expenditures. Enterprise fund revenues collected were 81.89% of the total budgeted revenues while operating expenditures were 89.93% of total budgeted expenses.

Municipal Court Fund Revenues collected were 115.82% of the total budgeted revenues while operating expenditures were 89.93% of total budgeted expenditures.

Discussion/Recognition Items

Mayor Thompson – We are very saddened by our loss of City Administrator Bob Beck. We will be posting the job availability in the near future but we would like to take our time to insure the very best pick for the City. I will be seeking advice from the Council in the hiring process. Each Council Member received a copy of the job description today. Please let me know if you have any questions or suggestions. In the meantime, it will be business as usual. Our City Clerk Sabrina Wall will be taking all calls and emails for the City Administrator and working with Department Heads and myself daily. This will be an addition to her duties as City Clerk.

Water First - The City of Winder has been designated as the 19th WaterFirst Community in the state of Georgia. Deatre Denion, the Program Coordinator for WaterFirst, and Mike Gleaton, the Assistant Commissioner for the state of Georgia's Department of Community Affairs recognized the City of Winder on May 4, 2010 at Winder's City Council Meeting. The City is one of nineteen out of close to 700 municipalities and governments across Georgia to receive WaterFirst Designation.

The Poetry Contest winners were not available for this meeting. They will be announced at the June meeting.

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TV Station – Marty & Christopher were recognized by the Barrow County Board of Education with Excellence Awards in significant achievement and support in making our schools and community a safe place to live and work for our students, faculty and staff with their film CSEE Bullying.

Voting Items

1. Renewal of Winder Housing Authority's lease on the property at the corner of Midland and Bellview (old swimming pool property) Councilman Maynard made a motion to approve. Councilman Eberhart seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
2. Amendment to City of Winder Code of Ordinances Chapter 3 Alcoholic Beverages, Article I In General, Section 3-19 Pro-Rated Payment of License Fees. This will allow restaurants and retailers to pay a pro-rated alcohol license fee when opening a new business. Councilman Parrish made a motion to approve. Councilman Maynard seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
3. Re-adoption of the current City of Winder zoning map using an updated Geographic Information System (GIS) parcel database. Councilman Dunagan made a motion to approve. Councilman Eberhart seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
4. Event permit for Barrow County Historical Society on May 15, 2010 from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. The event will include an Armed Forces Day Ceremony and Antique Auction. They are asking for a small portion of Woodlawn Avenue to be closed. Councilman Eberhart made a motion to approve. Councilman Dunagan seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
5. Event permit for Winder-Barrow Brad Akins YMCA Summer's End 5000 Race to be held on August 14, 2010 beginning at 8:00 a.m. Georgia Department of Transportation is pending. Councilman Maynard made a motion to approve. Councilman Parrish seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
6. Amendment to City of Winder Code of Ordinances Chapter 23 Permitted Transporters, to state; All Georgia State Permitted Transporters working in the City of Winder shall have an active Georgia waste transporter's permit or a City of Winder transporters permit in the manner and form set forth by OCGA 12-15-20 et seq. Councilman Dunagan made a motion to approve. Councilman Morris seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

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7. Water and Waste Water Rate and Fee Study – Precision Planning, Inc. have completed their study and the results of their analysis indicate an increase in order to cover anticipated expenses. For FY 2011, the study indicates that unit rate increases of 15% and base reate increases of 7% will be required. In order to mitigate the proposed rate increases, we also recommend the adoption of a new lifeline rate structure for single family residential customers which will reduce the impact of this increase on low volume users and encourage water conservation. Councilman Parrish made a motion to approve with the stipulation that all monies received will go towards the improvements and rehabilitation of water and waste water utility lines. Councilman Dunagan seconded and the motion passed with Councilman Maynard opposing.

Adjournment at 7:15 pm

Mayor

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City Clerk