

Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council
City of Chattahoochee Hills, Georgia
January 14, 2014
7:00 pm

Call to Order

Mayor Reed called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers present were Don Hayes, Faye Godwin, John Taylor and Claire Williams. Absent was Richard Schmidt. Mayor Reed declared that a quorum was present. Also present was the City Attorney Mr. Lindsey. Mayor Reed led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Administer Oath of Office to Elected Officials

Honorable Jim Barfield, Chief Judge, Chattahoochee Hills Municipal Court administered oaths to the following Elected Officials:

- 1. Tom Reed – Oath of Mayor*
- 2. Faye Godwin – Oath of Councilmember*

Election of Mayor Pro-Tem *(omitted from agenda)*

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Ms. Godwin, seconded by Ms. Williams, and unanimously adopted to approve the amended agenda for the meeting omitting Election of the Mayor Pro-Tem.

Approval of Minutes

- 1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 3, 2013*
A motion was made by Mr. Taylor to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of November 12, 2013 and Mr. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing (None scheduled)

Unfinished Business (None scheduled)

New Business

1. **Item 14-655:** Ordinance No. 14-01-117, Adoption of the 2012 International Building Codes with the Georgia State Amendments and the International Swimming Pool and Spa Code and International Property Maintenance Code.
Ms. Godwin made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 14-01-117 and Mr. Taylor seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2. **Item 14-656:** Resolution No. 14-01-159, Adoption of the South Fulton Comprehensive Transportation Plan
Mr. Hayes made a motion to approve Resolution No. 14-01-159 and Ms. Williams seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **Item 14-657:** Resolution No. 14-01-160, Authorizing the Acceptance of the Terms and Conditions of the Recreational Trails Program Grant of \$100,000 from Georgia Department of Natural Resources for Cochran Mill Park
Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve Resolution No. 14-01-160 and Ms. Godwin seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

4. **Item 14-658:** V13-001 – A request by Charlie and Leslie Hatcher of 7955 Cochran Mill Road to obtain a variance on the placement of a barn as described in Zoning Ordinance Sections 4.8.1 (Horses) and 5.1.3.I (Minimum Accessory Structure Requirements), to allow a barn to be constructed in the front yard, approximately 860 feet from the roadway. *(1st read)*
Mayor Reed read the request into the record. The public hearing has been advertised for the next Council Meeting on February 4, 2014 at 7:00 p.m.

5. **Item 14-659:** Approval of vendor and bid for replacement of the playground at Cochran Mill Park
Ms. Williams made a motion to approve Bliss Products and Services, Inc. bid at \$38,409.32 and Ms. Godwin seconded. Mr. Hayes asked that the motion be amended to limit the City's liability to \$1,000.00 deductible with the understanding that the City will ask that the insurance company pays for the site preparation. Mr. Hayes made a motion to approve the bid as amended and Ms. Godwin seconded. The motion as amended passed unanimously.

Public Comments

Diana Wilson, Parks Commission member, thanked the Council for accepting the Recreational Trails Program Grant. The grant will provide funds to make the park safer, more accessible and more environmentally sustainable. expand parking, improve existing trails and build new trails. Thanks to the Parks Commission for the continued support, the Chattahoochee Hill Country Conservancy, Friends of Chatt

Hills Parks, Community Brickworks, the Serenbe Institute, Chattahoochee Hills Historical Society, Cochran Mill Nature Center, Chattahoochee Hills Creek Keepers, the Police and Fire Departments, and the landscape architectural firm of John Vincent & Associates. She also thanked Dave and Deanna McMurrain, Pete Edmondson, Alan Merrill, Tom Blum, Steven Kopelman, Sandra Huffmaster, Bobbie Laminack, Steve Nygren, Laurie Searle, Jon Benson, Reagan Carr, Mac McKinney, Gary Horton, Paige Witherington, Justin Dansby, Debbie Lowe, Gary Potts, Rob Preiditsch, LaMar Toole, Larry Parrott, Matt Rook, Mike Morton, Kyle Jones, Jim Williams, Cindy Hanson, Karen Frick, Ronnie Lyle, and Rick Lindsey.

Mayor and Council Comments

Mr. Taylor stated that finances for the City are going in the right direction. The Fire and Police departments will be looked at with thought.

Mayor Reed thanked Ronnie Lyle for the work he does with the Fire Department and praised Kyle Jones for the wonderful job keeping the budget on track.

Staff Reports

Michael Morton updated the Council on the Planning Commission's progress with the zoning ordinance update. Several code enforcement letters have gone out to address issues and complaints.

Larry Parrott reported that a portion of Cochran Mill Road has been repaved.

Ronnie Lyle gave an annual report on the Fire Department. The department received a letter of appreciation from the State Standards and Training for accuracy of records.

Matt Rook reported a 51% decline in property crimes from 2012 to 2013. Citizens can fill out a form at City Hall to register serial numbers of tools with the Police Department.

Ms. Hanson reported that four new homes were permitted in the last month.

Adjourn Meeting

Ms. Godwin made a motion to adjourn and Mr. Taylor seconded. The motion passed with a vote of three (3) in favor and one (1) opposed (Hayes) and the meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

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Approved this ____ day of _____, 2014.

Cynthia Hanson, City Clerk

Tom Reed, Mayor

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