

Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council
City of Chattahoochee Hills, Georgia
July 1, 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, Richard Schmidt, John Taylor and Claire Williams. All members were present. 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.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Ms. Godwin, and unanimously adopted to approve the agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

1. **Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 3, 2014**

A motion was made by Ms. Godwin to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of June 3, 2014 and Mr. Hayes seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Presentations (None scheduled)

Public Hearing

1. **Item 14-675:** Public Hearing to consider an application for a license for package sale of wine and malt beverages. The name in which the license is to be issued – The General Store at Serenbe, LLC (Nadine Bratti). The location of The General Store at Serenbe, LLC – 10642 Serenbe Lane, Chattahoochee Hills, GA 30268.

Procedures for Public Hearings was read by City Attorney Rick Lindsey. Mayor Reed opened the hearing.

Nadine Bratti, the applicant, stated the store would be a gourmet grocery with local products, plus beer and wine.

Rob Preiditsch, 9159 Selborne Lane, spoke in support of the applicant.

Mayor Reed closed the Public Hearing.

2. **Item 14-675:** Action to consider an application for a license for package sale of wine and malt beverages. The name in which the license is to be issued – The General Store at Serenbe, LLC (Nadine Bratti). The location of The General Store at Serenbe, LLC – 10642 Serenbe Lane, Chattahoochee Hills, GA 30268.

A motion was made by Mr. Taylor to approve Item 14-675 and Ms. Williams seconded. Mr. Hayes asked for clarification regarding partnership for LLC's and Mr. Lindsey answered suggesting the applicant amend the application when the license is issued, listing herself as the only partner. Ms. Godwin noted that the prior decision for an alcohol license at this location was based on package sales only, no serving on premises. Mayor Reed called for a vote and the motion passed unanimously.

3. **Item 14-681:** Public Hearing for the purpose of establishing a 2014 millage rate as required by O.C.G.A. Section 48-5-32 et seq.

Mayor Reed opened the Public Hearing. Finance Director Kyle Jones presented a proposal for the millage rate to remain at 10.958 mills.

There were no public comments in favor or in opposition to the proposed millage rate.

Mayor Reed closed the Public Hearing and announced that a second Public Hearing would be held on July 15, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall and action may be taken at that time.

Unfinished Business (none scheduled)

New Business

1. **Item 14-682:** Ordinance No. 14-07-122, An Ordinance to Provide for Waiver of Certain Building Permit Fees for Charter Schools and for Other Purposes

A motion was made by Ms. Godwin to approve Item 14-682 and Mr. Schmidt seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2. **Item 14-683:** Memorandum of Understanding for the Continuation of Community Brickworks Agreement to July 31, 2015.

Mr. Hayes made a motion to approve Item 14-683 and Ms. Williams seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **Item 14-684:** Resolution No. 14-07-168, A Resolution Authorizing the Mayor or Mayor Pro-Tem to Execute a Novation and Project Amendment to Project Agreement From Georgia DNR for Cochran Mill Park

Mr. Schmidt made a motion to approve Item 14-684 and Ms. Godwin seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments

Todd Hanson, 6995 Rico Road, stated he has written two (2) letters sent by mail and several emails over several months regarding the industrial business that has been operating at 11700 Upper Wooten Road. He read a list of the equipment kept at the residential property and explained the problems with noise and the smell of diesel fuel. At this time he has had no response to his letters and emails.

Chief Rook stated that the resident of the property has met with the City Planner and an agreement had been reached to correct the problem.

Edward Richards, 7005 Rico Road, also spoke regarding 11700 Upper Wooten Road stating problems with noise and diesel spills that have killed the grass in his neighbor's yard. He stated that large bodies of equipment including transfer trucks and earth movers are kept at the property. His wife has sent emails complaining about the property and has not heard any response. He is willing to contact the EPA if needed.

Joe Heiberger, 10679 Serenbe Lane, stated that the movie production at Serenbe caused problems with noise and traffic congestion. He feels that no consideration was given to the residents. Noise would start at 6:00 a.m. and continue throughout the day. He asked if there is any action that the City could take to control the problems caused by the film companies.

Mayor and Council Comments

Mr. Taylor announced the July 4th Celebration to be held at Hutcheson Ferry Park from 3:00 to 7:00. Tara Wynds Orchestra will perform a program of patriotic music beginning at 6:00.

Ms. Godwin invited everyone to come to the parade at Serenbe on July 4th at 10:00 a.m.

Mr. Schmidt congratulated Mr. Jones and the staff for the good work regarding last year's budget. He also encouraged citizens to bring issues to the Council.

Mr. Hayes also thanked the City Manager and staff.

Ms. Williams congratulated the Mayor and Council for making wise decisions on the budget and cutting corners.

Mayor Reed announced that three (3) years ago the City was carrying a \$1,000,000 deficit and as of the close of the last fiscal year the entire deficit has been paid off. He gave credit to the staff and Council for keeping cost low. He also thanked his wife,

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Karen, for supporting him as Mayor and allowing him to be at a meeting on their 25th anniversary.

Staff Reports

Chief Greg Brett thanked the Council for approving the purchase of a fire apparatus from Newnan. He announced that funds have been raised or equipment has been donated through grants, etc. The department is still seeking volunteer fire fighters and those interested should contact the Chief.

Chief Matt Rook thanked Cathy Alford, Stanley Bridges, Cindy Hanson, Jason Purcell, Maribeth Wansley and Scott Leonard for the group effort in the rescue of three (3) dogs and assistance in finding foster placements for all three.

Mr. Jones reported that the City had a great fiscal year. He believes that the audit will show that the City has come out of debt. He thanked the Council for their hard work on the budget.

Adjourn Meeting

Ms. Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Ms. Godwin seconded. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Approved this ____ day of _____, 2014.

Cynthia Hanson, City Clerk

Tom Reed, Mayor

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