

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Mayor and Council
City of Fitzgerald, Georgia
November 27, 2017
6:00 pm**

Mayor and Council of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia, met in a **Regular** meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 302 East Central Avenue, with Mayor Masee presiding and with Council members Griffin, Holt, Jefferson, Roberts, Tillman, and Williams being present.

Minutes of November 13, 2017, Regular Council meeting were read. Mayor Masee entertained a motion for approval. Council Person Holt made a motion to approve minutes, seconded by Council Person Griffin. Having a motion and a second, Mayor Masee asked if there were any additions or corrections. With none being heard, called for a **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee welcomed everyone in attendance: Stephanie and Johnny Pope, Council Member-elect Jimmy Johnson, Stacie Mims and Vanessa Melton representing the BHC Hospital Authority; Jeff Lewis and Jim Sellars representing FWLB Commission and Toni Sawyer representing both entities.

Mayor Masee asked if there were any questions or items to be covered under the normal reports of city officers or committees. With none heard, moved to ordinances and resolutions.

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Ordinance 17-1510, the second reading and final approval**, to amend the Charter of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia, which was created by an act amended on August 17, 1914, as amended, under the Municipal Home Rule Act of 1965, to expand and clarify certain powers that may be exercised by the Fitzgerald Water, Light and Bond Commission. Council Person Griffin motioned to dispense with the full reading, seconded by Council Person Williams. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee asked for approval of **Ordinance 17-1510, the second reading and final approval** to amend the Charter of the city of Fitzgerald, Georgia. Council Person Griffin motioned to approve the reading, seconded by Council Person Williams. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 4 Yes, 2 No. Motion approved. Holt and Roberts voting No.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Ordinance 17-1508** to close the alley at 119 Poplar Street to thru traffic. Council Person Holt motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Williams. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Council Person Holt motioned to pull **Ordinance 17-1508** from the table, seconded by Council Person Williams. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, called for **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee asked for approval of **Ordinance 17-1508**. Council Person Holt motioned to approve **Ordinance 17-1508**, seconded by Council Person Griffin. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. Council Person Jefferson asked Deputy Administrator Jordan about his part in the property dispute. Mr. Jordan stated that if the family gets full use of the property, the alley won't be usable, and there is no way to get trucks down the alley. This would not affect garbage pickup since this service is now street side. With no further discussion moved to **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented a **Caption on Ordinance** to amend Article III "Evergreen Cemetery" of Chapter 7, "Cemeteries" of the Code of Ordinances of the city of Fitzgerald, GA.

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Resolution R17-012**, a Resolution to authorize the execution and delivery of certain GIRMA fund election forms and other related documents. Council Person Holt motioned to dispense with the full reading, seconded by Council Person Roberts. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, called for **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee asked for approval of **Resolution R17-012**. Council Person Holt motioned for approval, seconded by Council Person Griffin. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. Council Person Tillman asked if this was the policy for the fire fighters regarding lung cancer. Deputy Administrator Kathy Young confirmed that it was as required by law. We worked with GMA regarding the policy and found they also had the best rates. With no further questions, Mayor Masee called for **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Resolution R17-013**, a resolution to establish and set the location for construction of the police station of the Fitzgerald Police Department. Council Person Holt motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Williams. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With none heard, called for **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee asked for approval of **Resolution R17-013**. Council Person Griffin motioned for approval, seconded by Council Person Holt. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. Council Person Holt asked if this construction included Municipal Court and was answered yes. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Cristina Evans

CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

Frank H. Masee

MAYOR