

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Mayor and Council
City of Fitzgerald, Georgia
December 9, 2019
6:00 pm**

A Public Hearing took place at the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 302 East Central Avenue, on Monday, December 9, 2019.

A **Public Hearing** was held to adopt an amendment to the Comprehensive Plan to include a Broadband Element for Ben Hill County and the City of Fitzgerald. With there being no comments, the public hearing was closed.

A **Public Hearing** was held to consider an application submitted by Express Dry Cleaning and Laundry to the City of Fitzgerald Revolving Loan Fund for up to \$25,000.00. With there being no comments, the public hearing was closed.

Mayor and Council of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia, met in a **Regular** meeting immediately following the public hearings with Mayor Puckett presiding and with Council members Griffin, Jefferson, J. Johnson, K. Johnson, Jones, Peavey, Roberts and Webb being present.

Minutes of November 09, 2019, Regular Council meeting were read. Mayor Puckett entertained a motion for approval.

Motion: Griffin **Second:** Roberts.

Having a motion and a second, Mayor Puckett asked if there were any additions or corrections. With none being heard, called for a **Roll Call Vote 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett welcomed everyone in attendance.

Annual Service Awards were presented to 15 employees.

Mayor Puckett called attention to the administrative report. He noted the many activities on the calendar this month.

Reports of standing committees were given by their chairperson.

Councilman Jimmy Johnson presented a beer and wine application for RSVP Management, LLC, located at 310 E Pine Street. This application has been through the proper channels of the Police and Sheriff Departments, Public Works, Zoning and Administration. Councilman Jimmy Johnson made a **motion** to accept this application, **seconded** by Roberts. With no discussion, **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, Presented the following Ordinances and Resolutions:

Ordinance 19-1550: An Ordinance to grant a special exception with respect to the property at 401 N. Grant Street, Fitzgerald, Ga.

Motion to dispense with full reading: Roberts

Second: Griffin

With no discussion, **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Motion made to table Ordinance 19-1550:

Motion: Roberts

Second: J. Johnson

With no discussion, **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion to table approved.**

Ordinance 19-1551: An ordinance to amend the City of Fitzgerald zoning district map with respect to 3.05 acres, more or less, in five acre tracts 1200 and 1201 land lot number 91, in the third land district of Ben Hill County, Georgia, located at 102 Sadie Street, Fitzgerald, Ga 31750, and the public road right of way adjacent thereto; to annex said property to the existing corporate limits of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia; to rezone said property from G-B (County) to G-B (City).

Motion to dispense with full reading: Roberts

Second: Griffin

With no discussion: **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Approval of Ordinance 19-1551

Motion: Webb

Second: J. Johnson

With no discussion, **Roll Call Vote 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Ordinance Caption: To amend section 12-11, "Collection Fees – Established" of Chapter 12, "Garbage, Trash and Weeds" of the code of ordinances of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia.

Resolution R17-017: A Resolution to adopt 2019 Ben Hill County and City of Fitzgerald Broadband element comprehensive Plan amendment.

Motion to approve: J. Johnson

Second: Griffin

With no discussion: **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Under new business, Mayor Puckett asked for approval to select Rankin and Associates as Architects for the 2020 CDBG application.

Motion to accept: Webb **Second:** J. Johnson

With no discussion, **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for approval of the RLF loan to Express Dry Cleaners.


Motion to accept: Webb **Second:** Griffin

With no discussion: **Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes, 1 No. Motion approved. Barry Peavey voting No.**

With there being no further business, Mayor Puckett thanked everyone for coming, wished everyone a Merry Christmas and the meeting was adjourned.



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APPROVED:

MAYOR