

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Mayor and Council
City of Fitzgerald, Georgia
July 11, 2016
6:00 pm**

Mayor Pro Tem 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 Pro Tem Jefferson presiding and with Council members Coney, Elrod, Griffin, Holt, Tillman, and Williams being present.

Minutes of June 3, 2016, Regular Council meeting were read. Mayor Pro Tem Jefferson entertained a motion for approval. Council Person Coney made a motion to approve minutes as presented, seconded by Council Person Williams. Having a motion and a second, Mayor Pro Tem Jefferson 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 Pro Tem Jefferson welcomed the visitors in attendance:

Emily McDuffie, Tony Skvarce, John Clements, Mr. Taylor, Martha Powers-Jones, Christine Graham, Tommy Roberts and Michael Melton

Mr. Jefferson called on Martha Powers-Jones to speak. Mrs. Jones gave a report of the library activities. Mrs. Jones stated the library is in process of working on a strategic plan. She thanked Cam Jordan and Public Works for helping with the mobile dairy and Brandy Elrod and the Arts Council for assisting with the summer games program. Mrs. Jones also introduced the library board chairperson, John Clements.

Under reports of City Officers, with no questions regarding the administrative report, moved to standing committees.

Reports of standing committees were given by their respective chairperson. Council Person Coney reported that at the GMA Annual Convention, Kathy Young was recognized as the 2015-2016 finance officer of the year. This is a great recognition for Mrs. Young, her staff and the City of Fitzgerald.

Special Committee Chairperson, Council Person Elrod, presented an alcohol license for beer and wine at Sav-a-Ton. The application is presented due to new ownership. This application has followed the proper channels. Council Person Elrod motioned to accept this application, seconded by Council Person Holt. Mr. Jefferson asked if there was any discussion. With none being heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Resolution R16-010** a resolution to authorize the execution of a first amendment to 1998A master lease and option agreement. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Elrod. Mr. Jefferson asked if there was any discussion. With none being heard, moved to a **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mr. Jefferson entertained a motion for approval. Council Person Holt motioned to approve **Resolution R16-010** seconded by Council Person Coney. Mr. Jefferson asked if there was any

discussion. With no discussion, moved to a **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Resolution R16-011** a resolution to authorize the execution and delivery of a substitution of escrow agent and to authorize the consent to an assignment of master repurchase agreement and an assignment of reimbursement and indemnity agreement. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Elrod. Mr. Jefferson asked if there was any discussion. With none being heard, moved to a **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mr. Jefferson entertained a motion for approval. Council Person Coney motioned to approve **Resolution R16-011** seconded by Council Person Elrod. Mr. Jefferson asked if there was any discussion. With no discussion, moved to a **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **a caption on Ordinance** to amend Article II "Unsanitary Acts and Conditions" of Chapter 13, "Health and Sanitation" of the code of ordinances of the City of Fitzgerald, Ga.

Mayor Pro Tem Jefferson asked if there was any unfinished business, and with none, moved to new business. Mr. Jefferson asked for consideration to reappoint Hank Braddy to the DLS board. Council Person Coney motioned to accept this reappointment, seconded by Council Person Elrod. Mr. Jefferson asked if there was any discussion. With no discussion called for a **Roll Call Vote: 6 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Council Person Williams mentioned from the administrative report under tourism, the business cards with customer responses to TripAdvisor and Yelp. These cards are being handed out and are being well received. We have already received positive hits on TripAdvisor. Also, we are planning a 319 Highway Yard sale with Ocilla and Tifton on Labor Day Weekend. This will be similar to the Peaches to Beaches event. This yard sale will be on Pine Street with booths for rent. Booth rent will benefit the Christian Kitchen and the Humane Society.

Council Person Coney mentioned the Georgia Trend article featuring Fitzgerald. Mr. Coney also asked for a moment of silence to remember the life and legacy of retired councilmember Rev. I. B. Harmon, Jr.

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

APPROVED:

(SEAL)

MAYOR

ATTEST: _____

CITY CLERK

