

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Mayor and Council
City of Fitzgerald, Georgia
April 9, 2018
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 Puckett presiding and with Council members Coney, Griffin, Jefferson, Johnson, Jones, Roberts, Tillman, Webb and Williams being present.

Minutes of March 12, 2018, Regular Council meeting were read. Mayor Puckett entertained a motion for approval. Council Person Williams made a motion to approve minutes, seconded by Council Person Webb. 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: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett welcomed all in attendance: Christine Graham and Shirley Brooks.

Mayor Puckett called upon Christina Graham to speak. Mrs. Graham, Family Connection Executive Director, gave a synopsis of the purpose of Family Connections. Mrs. Graham's main focus was to speak about the community assessment survey and give a listing of the main areas of concern. The copy of the assessment was given to all council members. Mrs. Graham thanked the Council and the City for their support.

Under reports of city officers, Mayor Puckett noted that due to illness the administrative report would be completed Tuesday, emailed out and a copy put in each council members mailbox.

Mayor Puckett called on Counselor Gill Braddy.

City Attorney, Gill Braddy, presented **Ordinance 18-1514**: an Ordinance to amend Chapter 18 "offenses and miscellaneous provisions" of the code of ordinances by the addition of a new article V (5) "community development tax incentive program. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Griffin. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for approval of **Ordinance 18-1514**. Council Person Coney moved to approve **Ordinance 18-1514**, seconded by Council Person Griffin. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any further discussion. With none heard, moved to **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City attorney, Gill Braddy, presented the following Ordinance Captions:

An ordinance caption to amend the City of Fitzgerald zoning district map with respect to 2.35 acres located at 230 Dewey McGlamry Road, Fitzgerald, Georgia.

An ordinance caption to set fees for zoning map amendments as provided for in section 13-2 "application for amendment" of section 13 "zoning decisions and ordinance amendments" of the zoning ordinance of the City of Fitzgerald.

An ordinance caption to amend article III "miscellaneous" of Chapter 18, "offenses and miscellaneous provisions" of the code of ordinances of the City of Fitzgerald.

An ordinance caption to amend article III "city –county planning commission" of chapter 20, "planning and development" of the code of ordinances of the City of Fitzgerald.

An ordinance caption to amend chapter 12, "garbage, trash and weeds" of the code of ordinances of the City of Fitzgerald.

An ordinance to amend the City of Fitzgerald zoning district map with respect to 4.5 acres, located at 172 Wilson Avenue to rezone from M-R City to R-9 City.

City attorney, Gill Braddy, presented **Resolution R18-006**; a **Resolution** to authorize an agreement between the City of Fitzgerald and the Board of Commissioners of Ben Hill County to fund the operation of the Department of Leisure Services pool facility for the 2018 season. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Griffin. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none, called for **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for approval of **Resolution R18-006**. Council Person Coney motioned to approve **Resolution R18-006**, seconded by Council Person Johnson. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none, called for **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City attorney, Gill Braddy, presented **Resolution R18-007**; a **Resolution** supporting the application of the City of Fitzgerald for Georgia Department of Community affairs "Planfirst" designation. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Williams. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none, called for **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for approval of **Resolution R18-007** Council Person Coney motioned to approve **Resolution R18-007** seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none, called for **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City attorney, Gill Braddy, presented **Resolution R18-008**; a **Resolution** to authorize the conveyance of the property at 128 South Lee Street, Fitzgerald, Georgia, GA 31750, and all improvements located thereon, for the public purposes to the Downtown Development Authority of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia ("DDA") and to lease back said property on terms that will service the debt that DDA will incur to Colony Bank to reimburse the City for the cash portion of the cost of acquisition of said property. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Griffin. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none, called for **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for approval of **Resolution R18-008**. Council Person Coney motioned to approve **Resolution R18-008** seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none, called for **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City attorney, Gill Braddy, presented **Resolution R18-009**, a **Resolution** of the Mayor and Council of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia, authorizing the City of Fitzgerald to enter into a contractual agreement with the Georgia Department of Human Services to provide afterschool care services through the Monitor Enrichment Program. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with full reading, seconded by Council Person Johnson. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none, called for **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for approval of **Resolution R18-009**. Council Person Coney motioned to approve **Resolution R18-009** seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none, called for **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Under new business, Mayor Puckett asked for consideration to reappoint Mary Helen Brown as FHA resident commissioner. Council Person Webb motioned to accept this reappointment, seconded by Council Person Coney. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none, called for **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for consideration to reappoint Louie Harper to another term on the DDA. Council Person Griffin motioned to accept this reappointment, seconded by Council Person Williams. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none, called for **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Puckett asked for consideration to appoint Whitney Justice to the DDA. Council Person Williams motioned to accept this reappointment, seconded by Council Person Roberts. Mayor Puckett asked if there was any discussion and with none, called for **Roll Call Vote: 9 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

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



Christina Williams

CITY CLERK

APPROVED: *J. Puckett*

MAYOR