

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Mayor and Council
City of Fitzgerald, Georgia
March 13, 2023
6:00 pm

A Public Hearing was held prior to the regular meeting to discuss consideration to an application to close an alley way to all traffic and the subsequent sale of the same to William Luke and Kristin & James Darden. This subject alley is located between Lot 5+ and lot 1+ in Square 8, Block 1 in the 508-516 West Ochoopee Street, Fitzgerald, Georgia. With no one to speak, the public hearing was closed.

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 Holt presiding and with Council members Brown, Clemons, D. Jefferson, S. Jefferson, J. Johnson, Roberts, and Webb being present.

Mayor Holt welcomed everyone in attendance. Mayor Holt mentioned Councilman Peavey is feeling some better.

Minutes of February 13, 2023, Regular Council meeting were presented. Mayor Holt entertained a motion for approval.

Motion: Webb

Second: Roberts

No discussion.

Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.

A communication was read from Jason L. Holt and family.

In the administrative report, take time to review all the things that are going on. Please share with everyone what all is happening. We are still getting our software together under the financials and hope that next month we will have February and March numbers for you. Chief Smallwood noted that the 2 candidates in school will graduate next Friday. Brandy mentioned the Chicken Festival will go on rain or shine. There are some contingency plans for the arts council for the Garden Room. The call will be made Friday morning at 9:00 am.

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

Ordinance Caption: An Ordinance Caption to amend section 17-17 "Parking, Standing Regulations at Specific Locations" of Article 1, "In General" of Chapter 17, "Motor vehicles and traffic" of the code of ordinances of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia.

Ordinance 23-1589 An Ordinance to close to vehicular traffic that portion of the public alley between city lots 4 and 5 in square 8, block 1, in the city of Fitzgerald, Georgia: to sell and convey the right of way of said alley to the adjoining landowner, subject to the reservation of an easement with respect to the maintenance, repair and replacement of all utilities located over, upon or under said portion of said alley.

Motion to dispense with full reading: Roberts.

Second: Brown

With no discussion; Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes; 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.

Mayor Holt asked if there was any discussion and with none:

Motion to approve: Roberts

Second: Webb

With no discussion; Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes; 0 No. All in favor, motion approved

Ordinance Caption: A Caption to grant a special exception with respect to the property at 311 N. Merrimac Drive, Fitzgerald, Georgia, 31750.

Under new business, Mayor Holt asked for approval to reappoint Melissa Burgess and Jeff Smith to a 6-year term on the DDA.

Motion to accept: J. Johnson

Second: Roberts

With no discussion: **Roll Call Vote: 7 Yes, 0 no. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Clerk, Cristina Evans, addressed council regard the upcoming June GMA Annual Conference regarding registration.

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



ATTEST:

Cristina Evans

CITY CLERK

APPROVED:

John S. Holt

MAYOR