

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council for the City of Gray, Georgia was held on Monday, March 7, 2022 at 6:00pm in the D.V. Childs Civic Center.

Present: Mayor Ed Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem James Collins, Council Members Terry Favors, David Tufts, and Terrell Fulford, City Attorney John Newberry, Fire Chief Keith Eisele, City Clerk Cindy Yancey and Assistant City Clerk Ashley Roberson.

Guests: Tim Pitrowski, Bert King, Cleve Cunningham, and Debbie Lurie-Smith, *The Jones County News*.

Mayor Barbee called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

David Tufts gave the invocation, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion, seconded by Councilman Favors, and unanimously voted to approve the March 7, 2022 agenda.

**APPROVED 4-0**

Councilman Favors made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts, and unanimously voted to approve the February minutes.

**APPROVED 4-0**

Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Collins, and unanimously voted to approve the February accounts payable.

**APPROVED 4-0**

**Mayor's Report:**

- Mayor Barbee reported that DCA has received our CHIP Grant Application and results should be in around April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business:**

Councilman Favors made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to close the Council Meeting and go into a P&Z Hearing.

**APPROVED 4-0**

1. **P&Z Hearing:**

**Item A:** The Sign Resource: Requests a variance to allow three wall signs, two of which are larger than 32 square feet. Property is located at 4151 Gray Highway, and consists of 3.02 +/- acres, zoned C-2 (General Commercial).

Pat Patterson with The Sign Resource stated that the Tractor Supply sign on the front of the building would be 75 square feet, the Garden Center sign would be 35 square feet and the drive thru sign would be 23 square feet.

**Item B:** Preliminary plat approval for Piedmont Lakes Subdivision Phase II.

Councilman Favors made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to close the P&Z Hearing and reopen the Council Meeting.

**APPROVED 4-0**

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts, and unanimously voted to approve Item A.

**APPROVED 4-0**

Councilman Tufts made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to approve Item B.

**APPROVED 4-0**

2. A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gray, Georgia to supplement the General Appropriations Resolution passed by Mayor and Council the 5<sup>th</sup> day of October 2020, for fiscal year 2021; and for other purposes.
  - Hotel/Motel Tax Fund

Councilman Tufts made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to approve **Resolution 22-R-011**.

**APPROVED 4-0**

3. A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gray, Georgia to supplement the General Appropriations Resolution passed by Mayor and Council the 4<sup>th</sup> day of October 2021, for fiscal year 2022; and for other purposes.
  - SFRF – Fire Department

Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Collins, and unanimously voted to approve **Resolution 22-R-012**.

**APPROVED 4-0**

4. Approve Committee Assignments for 2022-2025 Term.

Councilman Tufts made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Collins, and unanimously voted to approve the Committee Assignments for 2022-2025 Term.

**APPROVED 4-0**

5. A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gray, Georgia authorizing the Mayor to execute a notice and termination of the agreement between the City of Gray and Main Street Gray, Inc.; and for other purposes.

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to approve **Resolution 22-R-013**.

**APPROVED 4-0**

6. A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gray, Georgia to approve a job description for a Main Street Gray Director; and for other purposes.

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts, and unanimously voted to approve **Resolution 22-R-014**.

**APPROVED 4-0**

7. Appointment of interim Main Street Gray Director.

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts, and unanimously voted to appoint Ashley Roberson as interim Main Street Gray Director.

**APPROVED 4-0**

8. Authorization for Mayor Barbee to sign MGRC letter of support for Rail Initiatives.

Councilman Favors made a motion to authorize Mayor Barbee to sign the letter of support, the motion was seconded by Councilman Tufts. Councilman Fulford voted in favor of the motion. Mayor Pro Tem Collins voted in opposition.

**APPROVED 3-1**

9. A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gray, Georgia authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Georgia Department of Human Services, Division of Family and Children Services regarding the Low-Income Household Water Assistance Program; and for other purposes.

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts, and unanimously voted to approve **Resolution 22-R-015**.

**APPROVED 4-0**

10. A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gray, Georgia authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Haren Construction Company, Inc. regarding the upgrade and construction of the Wolf Creek WPCP; and for other purposes.

Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts, and unanimously voted to approve **Resolution 22-R-016**.

**APPROVED 4-0**

**Public Comments:**

- No comments.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

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Assistant City Clerk