

**July 1, 2024**

**City Council Meeting Minutes**

**6:00 PM**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Mayor and Council for the City of Gray, Georgia was held on Monday, July 1, 2024, at 6:00pm in the D.V. Childs Civic Center.

Present: Mayor Ed Barbee, Mayor Pro Tem James Collins, Council Members David Tufts, Terry Favors and Terrell Fulford, City Attorney John Newberry, City Superintendent Cheyenne Morgan, Public Works Manager Chris Neal, Fire Chief Keith Eisele, Main Street Director Ashley Roberson, Police Chief Adam Lowe, City Clerk Cindy Yancey and Assistant City Clerk Christina Morgan.

Guests: Planning & Zoning Director Tim Pitrowski, Debbie Lurie-Smith, *The Jones County News*, Allison Hawthorne, Mike Hawthorne, Delacy Douglas, Dan Sovereign, Greg Singleton, Mitchell Helms, Kevin Stewart, Lorie Stewart, Ben Vaghn, Glenda Bozeman, Jim Bozeman, Susan Holton, David Wooley, Wendi Helms, Jerry Foltz, Hope Wommack, Wesley Wommack, Laura Burton, James Burton, Oscar Barnes, Brandi Barnes, Kale Jenkins and Jessica Jenkins.

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

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

Councilman Tufts made a motion, seconded by Councilman Favors, and unanimously voted to approve the July 1, 2024, agenda.

**APPROVED 3-0**

Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Collins, and unanimously voted to approve the June minutes.

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Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Councilman Favors, and unanimously voted to approve the June accounts payable.

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**Mayor's Report:**

- Mayor Barbee stated that the Extravaganza Fest was well received.

**Old Business:**

1. Cedar Creek Land and Development, LLC: Requests to rezone from R-1 A (Single Family Residential) to R-3, for the purpose of building multi-family housing. The property is located on Allen Green Rd. and consists of 4.7 +/- acres.

Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts to approve Cedar Creek Land and Development's request to rezone from R-1A to R-3 for the purpose of building multi-family housing.

Mayor Pro Tem Collins requested Attorney Ben Vaughn be allowed to speak. Mr. Vaughn stated that he was present on behalf of the closest homeowners' associations as well as numerous residents who live near the property that is involved in the rezoning request. Mr. Vaughn pointed out several reasons why Mayor and Council deny the rezoning request.

Mayor Pro Tem Collins stated that he agrees with a lot of the points that Mr. Vaughn discussed and thinks that Council should take them into consideration. Mr. Collins also stated that he did not feel there was new information presented to warrant a re-hearing.

Mayor Pro-Tem Collins voted in opposition to the re-zoning.

Council Member Favors did not wish to vote on the subject and left the meeting.

The rezoning request does not pass or fail due to not enough votes.

**New Business:**

1. Approval of public consumption of alcoholic beverages during the July 19, 2024 Fridays on Main event

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion, seconded by Councilman Fulford, and unanimously voted to approve the public consumption of alcoholic beverages during the July 19, 2024 Fridays on Main event.

**APPROVED 3-0**

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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of October 2023, for fiscal year 2024; and for other purposes.
  - Marketing Services

Mayor Pro Tem Collins made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts, and unanimously voted to approve Resolution **24-R-022**.

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3. A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Gray, Georgia authorizing the sale of a 1995 Ford 800 dump truck VIN#1FDNF80C0SVA76431, a 2000 hooper trailer 4T0FB2426Y1004443 and a John Deere B-2000 tractor as surplus City of Gray personal property; and for other purposes.

Councilman Fulford made a motion, seconded by Councilman Tufts, and unanimously voted to approve Resolution **24-R-023**.

**APPROVED 3-0**

**Public Comments:**

- None

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

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City Clerk