

## MINUTES

### REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF JUNE 16, 2014

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council of June 16, 2014 was called to order by Mayor David Lockhart at 7:00 p.m.

Invocation: The invocation was given by Mr. Roy Lunsford followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Roll Call: Mayor David Lockhart and Councilmembers Dabouze Antoine, Maudie McCord, Latresa Akins, Linda Lord and Tommy Smith.

Also present were City Manager Frank Brandon, Director of Finance Mike Blandenburg, Director of Public Works Jeff Eady, Director of Planning and Zoning Al Wiggins, Major Chris Matson, Management Analyst Angela Redding, Director of Support Services Christine Terrell, Deputy Fire Chief Matt Jackson, Director of Recreation and Leisure Services Elaine Corley and City Attorney Mike Williams.

Approval of Minutes: Ms. Akins made a motion to approve the minutes of the Work Session and Regular Meeting of June 2, 2014 and the Special Meeting of June 5, 2014, seconded by Mr. Smith. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Comment Period: Lawanda Folomi: stated she had a concern about Fort Gillem and citizens of Forest Park having a choice if they qualify for available positions that become available. She stated she also had a problem with Code Enforcement and having an abandon car on the grass. She stated the citizens of Forest Park should respect their leaders so we can move forward together.

Felicia Davis: made an appeal for young people in our City to do free things in our City. She expressed further support for Community Day in the City.

Gregory Hanes: He stated he asked Ms. Corley if she could assist in their Community Day in the park.

John Finch: spoke concerning their Community Day they want to hold annually.

Urban Re-  
Development  
Agency:

Ms. McCord made a motion to amend the agenda to add an item for discussion to make changes in the Urban Redevelopment Agency, seconded by Mr. Antoine. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Ms. Akins made a motion to amend the agenda to change the Urban Redevelopment Agency to a 6 member board instead of a 5 member board. Ms. Akins withdrew her motion.

Ms. Akins made a motion to change the number of members of the Urban Redevelopment Agency to six members instead of five, and add Pamela Lake to the Board, seconded by Mr. Antoine. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Keep Forest Park  
Beautiful Awards:

Ms. Edie Yongue of Keep Forest Park Beautiful presented Mr. Patel with the Business Beautification Award and Ms. Mary Daniels with the Residential Beautification Award.

Name Change-  
Pawnbrokers  
License:

Request was made to consider a name change of pawnbrokers License, Georgia Cash America, Cash America Pawn of Atlanta #32, 4831 Jonesboro Road, no exceptions noted.

Ms. Akins made a motion to approve the name change of the pawnbrokers license, seconded by Ms. Lord. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Surplus  
Resolution:

Request was made to consider a Resolution by the City Council of the City of Forest Park declaring certain city property, listed on Exhibit A, to be surplus property and to provide for its proper disposal either by Auction or other methods pursuant to the City's Ordinance, and for other purposes.

Ms. McCord made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Ms. Akins. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Ordinance-  
Occupational  
Taxes:

Request was made to consider an Ordinance to amend Title 3, relative to the imposition of interest on unpaid occupation taxes, increase in certain fees, and for other lawful purposes.

Ms. Akins made a motion to approve the Ordinance, seconded by Mr. Smith.

Mr. Williams explained there are three additional fees that will be increased, the administrative fee for all licenses will

go from \$70 to \$75, the administrative fee for replacement licenses is going from \$25 to \$50 and any new sexually oriented businesses would pay the same fee of \$75 as any other businesses.

Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Appointment  
of Judges:

Request was made to consider the appointment of Municipal Court Judge, Environmental Court Judge and Solicitor.

Ms. Akins made a motion to appoint Ms. Tamika Hrobowski as Environmental Court Judge, Ms. Kristal Holmes as Solicitor and Ms. Wanda Jackson as the Municipal Court Judge, seconded by Mr. Antoine.

Ms. Lord stated she felt it was wrong to vote on these people without meeting them first. Mayor Lockhart stated previously the Council decided they would submit names and then coordinate to interview the candidates and asked Council give that consideration.

Voting for the motion were Ms. Akins and Mr. Antoine. Voting against the motion were Ms. Lord, Mr. Smith and Ms. McCord. The motion failed.

Mr. Antoine made a motion to table the appointment of Judges and Solicitors until the next Council meeting, seconded by Ms. Lord.

Mr. Brandon suggested a Special Called Meeting for all council members to interview the candidates.

Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Mayor Lockhart suggested Monday, June 30 and Tuesday, July 1, beginning at 6 p.m. for the Special Called Meeting to interview candidates.

Board of Zoning  
Appeals:

Ms. Akins made a motion to table these appointments until the Council can look over these recommendations, seconded by Mr. Antoine. Voting for the motion were Mr. Smith, Mr. Antoine, Ms. Akins and Ms. McCord. Ms. Lord opposed the motion. The motion carried.

Adjournment:

Ms. Lord made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Akins. Voting for the motion was unanimous.