

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF JUNE 3, 2013

Call to Order: The Work Session of Mayor and Council of June 3, 2013 was called to order by Mayor David Lockhart at 6:00 p.m.

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

Also present were City Manager John Parker, Director of Finance Mike Blandenburg, Director of Support Services Christine Terrell, Chief Eddie Buckholts, Director of Recreation and Leisure Services Elaine Corley, Director of Planning and Zoning Al Wiggins, Director of Public Works Mike Gippert and Management Analyst Angela Redding and William Denmark, City Attorney.

Approval of minutes: Ms. Lord made a motion to approve the following minutes, seconded by Ms. Akins. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

- Budget Meeting of Mayor and Council of May 15, 2013
- Budget Meeting of Mayor and Council of May 16, 2013
- Work Session of Mayor and Council of May 20, 2013
- Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council of May 20, 2013
- Special Meeting of Mayor and Council of May 21, 2013
- Special Meeting of Mayor and Council of May 25, 2013

Comment Period: Trudy Smith – invited everyone to Chick Fil A for Councilman Smiths birthday.

Carl Evans – encouraged everyone to join the Code Red Program.

Maureen Scott - asked for assistance with the mosquito problem on the wetlands property owned by the City. She also stated she has no problem tearing down the buildings but asked that the trees remain.

Sue Keith – asked about the status of the dog park. Mr. Parker stated the City is waiting on the final plans from the University of Georgia intern.

Jackie Brandon – stated she had lived in Forest Park almost 40 years and is very pleased with the new Mayor and felt he is a good representative

for our City, professional and intelligent, and thanked the Mayor and Council.

K'wan Parker – stated he lives on Rushmore Place and requested street lights and asked for speed bumps on Kennesaw Drive to slow down speeders.

Donna Barkley stated she was concerned about having no sidewalks in front of Fountain Elementary School and asked if it could be done before the years out. Mr. Parker stated it will be included in the next project within the next 18 months.

Lois Wright – asked that the garbage pick up go back to two days a week.

Public Hearing -

Ms. Lord made a motion to recess for a Public Hearing, seconded by Ms. McCord. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Mayor Lockhart opened the public hearing to receive comments on the proposed budget for 2013-2014.

Mayor Lockhart asked if there was anyone present to speak.

- Ms. Jasmine Hudio expressed her desire to include funds to update the interior of the Recreation Building. She also questioned the removal of the Court Clerk position in the Police Department.
- Mr. Forrest Webb – asked that Parks & Recreation have a 3 to 5 year plan to upgrade the facility
- Ms. Kimberly James asked that funds be set aside for transportation for citizens
- Ms. Donna Barkley asked that funds be included for the sidewalks at Fountain Elementary School

Ms. McCord made a motion to close the public hearing, seconded by Ms. Akins. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Presentation:

Mr. Louis Dekmar, Chair and President of the Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies presented Chief Hobbs with an award for his hard work along with the men and women of the Police Department. The award read "For the grateful appreciation for your guidance that has motivated others to perform at their very best leading the entire team towards law enforcement standards of excellence. We commend you and your 17 years of service and leadership."

Budget Ordinance: Request was made to consider an Ordinance by the Governing body of the City of Forest Park, Georgia establishing the Budget for the Fiscal Year 2013-12014.

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

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