

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF AUGUST 5, 2013

Call to Order: The Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council of August 5, 2013 was called to order by Mayor David Lockhart at 7:00 p.m.

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

Also present were Acting City Manager Dwayne Hobbs, Director of Finance Mike Blandenburg, Acting Director of Public Works Rusty Still, Management Analyst Angela Redding, Chief Eddie Buckholts, Deputy Director of Planning and Zoning Clarence Blalock, Major Jamie Reynolds, Director of Recreation and Leisure Services Elaine Corley, Director of Support Services Christine Terrell and City Attorney Mike Williams.

Approval of Minutes: Ms. Akins made a motion to approve the following minutes, seconded by Mr. Smith.

- Work Session of Mayor and Council of July 15, 2013
- Regular Meeting of Mayor and Council of July 15, 2013
- Special Meeting of Mayor and Council of July 19, 2013
- Special Meeting of Mayor and Council of July 30, 2013

Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Comment Period: Pamela Lake: invited everyone to the Open House to welcome the new Director of the Library Systems on August 13th.

Yasmin Julio – asked that more copies of the agenda be prepared for the council meetings.

Donna Barkley – stated she felt there were too many Special Called Meetings so citizens are not able to speak. She also stated it was said the former election superintendent was removed because he was too political, but you can't be political and be a voter.

Edith Porter – stated she lives on Middlebrooks Drive and asked that a ditch be cleaned out and bushes cut so she could see to back out of her driveway.

Sandra Bagley – (Waverly Drive) asked if something could be done about cars parking on her street because it is a safety concern.

Roy Lunsford – suggested a limit be placed on the number of people who speak at the meetings since there is a time limit and he would also like a list from each council person indicating what they have done to improve their ward.

Willie Finch – spoke concerning a previous conversation where it was mentioned during the Work Session that there were 800 people on the ball field for Forest Park Community Day. He stated there were not 800 people on the field.

Michael Clinkscales - stated he was the Pastor of Rock Church of Atlanta a new church in Forest Park and welcomed everyone to his church. Ms. April Hutchins stated the church is located at 4815 Courtney Drive and they offer clothing and free food to the community through their Outreach Program.

Karen-Brandee Williams: stated she recently won a favorable judgment against the City from the US Northern District Federal Court for their discrimination and retaliation against her after asking for an ergonomic chair during council meetings. She stated this led into further retaliation and political conspiracy ousting her from office. She asked the Council for consideration to strike an ordinance that was amended by the Governing Body which prohibits her from running for office for 5 years. She asked that Ordinance be revoked so she can continue her term.

New Retail
Alcohol license -
Texaco Food Mart:

Request was made to consider a new retail alcohol license for beer only from Refresh Investments, Inc. Texaco Food Mart, 503 Forest Parkway, no exceptions noted.

Ms. Lord made a motion to approve the new retail alcohol license for Texaco Food Mart, seconded by Mr. Smith. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Resolution
Intergovernmental
License Agreement:

Request was made to approve a Resolution by the City Council of the City of Forest Park authorizing the Mayor to execute an Intergovernmental License Agreement with Clayton county Public Schools for the use of Kiwanis Stadium and Concession Stand to conduct football games: August 27th, September 17th, October 1st, 2013; at a rate of \$100 for use of field per date and \$50 for use of Concession Stand per date; to provide for severability; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

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

Resolution -
Intergovernmental
License Agreement:

Request was made to consider a Resolution by the City Council of the City of Forest Park authorizing the Mayor to execute a License Agreement with Community Christian School for the use of Forest Park Indoor Pool for the dates specified: October 14, 2013 through January 30, 2014; to conduct swim practices for their swim program; to provide for severability; to provide an effective date; and for other purposes.

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

Resolution -
Surplus
Property:

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 ordinances; and for other purposes.

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

Resolution -
Qualifying Dates:

Request was made to consider a Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Forest Park, Georgia, designating the dates for qualifying as candidates for the 2013 Municipal Election.

Ms. Lord made a motion to approve the Resolution and set the qualifying dates and times as August 26, 2013 beginning at 8:30 a.m. and closing Friday, August 30th at 4:30 p.m., seconded by Ms. Akins. Voting for the motion was unanimous.

Election
Superintendent:

Consideration of an Election Superintendent was discussed. Ms. McCord stated Ms. Charity Woods has been the only person that has shown interest in the position as Election Superintendent. She stated she lives outside the City and has no political ties in the City and she is enrolled in the upcoming classes.

Ms. McCord made a motion to appoint Ms. Charity Woods as Election Superintendent, seconded by Mr. Smith.

Ms. Lord suggested a meeting to talk to her before they vote on it.

Mayor Lockhart asked what the pay would be for this position. Mr. Blandenburg stated at the last election, the superintendent was paid \$25 per hour.

Ms. Lord made a motion to amend the previous motion to call a meeting and talk to Ms. Woods prior to voting for her as Election Superintendent. The amended motion died for lack of a second.

Voting for the original motion were Ms. McCord, Ms. Akins and Mr. Smith. Ms. Lord abstained. The motion carried.

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.