

MINUTES
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION PLANNING & INFORMATION SESSION
MONDAY, AUGUST 14, 2023 – 5:00 P.M.
WAYCROSS CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS
(417 PENDLETON STREET, WAYCROSS, GA)

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The Waycross City Commission Planning and Information Session was called to order on Monday, August 14, 2023, at 5:00 pm by Mayor James. The meeting was held in the Commission Chambers of City Hall. Present was Commissioners Norman Davis, Henry Strickland, Katrena Felder, and Mayor Pro Temp, Sheinita Bennett.

A. Invocation:

Invocation was led by James Smart, Public Works Director

B. Pledge of Allegiance

II. GUESTS:

Alice Keyes, 7 Glynn Avenue, Brunswick Ga. 31520- wanted to thank the city for the Resolution regarding no mining in the swamp.

Michael Hargrove 2012 Alice Street, Street, Waycross Ga. 31501- gave his opinion on the city possibly granting use of certain area of the industrial park to be used as an RV Park.

Sam Sellers, 2201 Forest Lane, Blacksher Ga. 31516- came regarding a strip of land that is adjoining his land and he wishes to have the city give to him.

III. TRAVEL/TRAINING SCHEDULE AND REQUESTS

The mayor will be traveling on Monday, August the 25, 2023 to Atlanta Georgia he also, will be traveling on September 6th-8th to LaGrange, Ga. for a Legislative Policy Conference.

IV. PLANNING & INFORMATION SESSION

A. Bids: n/a

B. Discussion Items:

1. Old garage at 714 Pendergast Street

After much discussion, there was a vote to have this property appraised and brought back to the commission for further discussion. Dist-1- Norman Davis-yes, Dist-2 Mayor Pro Temp Sheinita Bennett- yes, Dist-3 Katrena Felder-yes, Dist-5 Henry Strickland -yes.

2. Properties listed with Gateway Realty

Amelia Teston came to answer any questions the commission had, and to give them different directions on the way they could handle the sale of the Old Garage. Mrs. Teston also wanted to see if the commission would consider lowering the appraised price.

3. Millage Rates-Roger Collins, Tax Commissioner

Roger Collins came to make the commission aware of the urgency to set a called meeting to get a vote on the millage rate before the September 1st deadline.

4. Ferguson Waterworks (meters) Pilot Proposal

Erik and Patrick came to speak from Ferguson Waterworks about the possible use of the company's meter, and to answer any questions the commission may have.

5. Senior Care Home- Kristie Anderson

Kristie Anderson and Jessika Wright came to ask the commission if they would consider changing the ordinance to allow for the owner of a possible senior care facility to not live in the home as the current ordinance states.

C. Privilege License Renewals: n/a

D. Privilege Licenses: n/a

E. Proposed Ordinances:

1. An Ordinance of the Waycross City Commission to Amend the Waycross Zoning Ordinance; To Amend Article IX-Administration Enforcement, Penalties, Section 908 – Amendments, Subsection 908.5 – Public Hearings and Subsection 908.8 – Zoning Polices and Procedures for Public Hearings and Zoning Decisions Standards; To Provide for and Effective Date; and for Other Purposes.

There was a consensus to place this on Tuesday Commission Meeting Agenda

F. Proposed Resolutions: n/a

G. City Attorney's Report:

The City Attorney, Rick Currie, informed the commission of a need to set a public hearing for the purpose of considering an amendment to the Waycross Zoning Ordinance. To be set on September 19, 2023, at 4:30pm

H. City Manager's Report:

No report at this time

I. Last Call

J. Adjourn to Executive Session

There was a motion made by Commissioner Felder to go into executive session for personnel. Seconded by Commissioner Strickland. All voted in favor, meeting adjourned for executive session at 6:21pm.

K. Adjournment

CITY OF WAYCROSS

BY:


MICHAEL-ANGELO JAMES, Mayor

ATTEST:


JACQUALINE POWELL, City Clerk