



**CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

April 8, 2014

Minutes

7:32 pm

Mayor Burke called the regular Council Meeting of the Morrow City Council to order at 7:32 pm. The meeting took place in the Morrow Municipal Complex at 1500 Morrow Road, Morrow, Georgia 30260.

Mayor Burke asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

City Clerk Viet Tran called the roll and those present were: Mayor JB Burke, Mayor Pro Tem Hang Tran, Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges, Councilman Larry Ferguson, and Councilman Christopher Mills. The City Clerk stated there was a quorum present.

1. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. City Clerk Viet Tran read the following Consent Agenda items:

1. Approval of March 25, 2014 Regular Council Meeting Minutes.
2. Approval of April 1, 2014 Special Called Joint Meeting Minutes with: Mayor and Council; Downtown Development Authority; and Urban Redevelopment Authority.
3. Approval of the Hecht Walker PC invoice #6362 dated March 3rd, 2014 in the amount of \$1,714.40 for the period of February 2014.
4. Approval of the Fincher Danmark Williams & Minnifield, LLC invoice #1690 dated March 17th, 2014 in the amount of \$10,038.50 for the period of January 2nd to February 28th, 2014.

B. Approval of Consent Agenda item 2 to 4 of the April 8, 2014 Consent Agenda.

Mayor Burke called for a motion to approve Consent Agenda from item 2 to 4 of the April 8, 2014 Consent Agenda.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda from item 2 to 4 of the April 8, 2014 Consent Agenda and remove Item 1 on the Consent Agenda: March 25, 2014 Minutes. Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously

C. Approval of the correction of March 25, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes that: Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges did not move a motion to remove the executive session.

Mayor Burke called for a motion to approve the correction of March 25, 2014 Regular Meeting

Minutes that: Councilwoman Bridges did not move a motion to remove Executive Session.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson made a motion to approve the March 25, 2014 Minutes with corrections. Corrections are as follows: Councilwoman Bridges did not make the motion to remove the Executive Session on March 25, 2014 Agenda. Councilman Christopher Mills seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

C. Approval of March 25, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes with the correction: **The motion was made** to remove executive session.

Mayor Burke called for a motion to approve the March 25, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes with the correction: **The motion was made** to remove the Executive Session.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Christopher Mills made a motion to correct the March 25, 2014 Minutes. Mayor Pro Tem Hang Tran seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA:

Mayor Burke called for a motion to approve the April 8, 2014 Regular Meeting Agenda with the Exception of the Executive Session.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson made a motion to approve meeting agenda. Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

3. REPORTS AND PRESENTATION:

1. Atlanta Regional Commission's Community Choice Program:

Presented by: Atlanta Regional Commission Staff: Stephen Causby. City of Morrow was selected to receive technical assistance through the Atlanta Regional Commission's Community Choice Program. This was a competitive grant awarded at no cost to the City. ARC staff and interns will manage the review and re-write process of the City's current sign ordinance with input from a local stakeholder Committee. Also, He will be presenting an overview of the Sign Audit process benchmarks as well as to conduct a Visual Preference Survey.

4. FIRST PRESENTATION:

Mayor Burke read the following ordinances:

1. An Ordinance to Amend Title 8. Planning and Development; Chapter 2 Building Regulation and Code Enforcement; Article A. Construction Standards; Section 8-2-1 State Minimum Standard Codes of the 1986 Code of Ordinances of the City of Morrow, Georgia. This ordinance is provided for Codification, to repeal conflicting provisions of Title 8, to provide an effective date, and for other purposes. *1st Reading.*

2. An Ordinance to Amend Title 4. Public Safety; Chapter 2 Fire Protection; Article B. Fire Prevention Code; Section 4-2-21, Paragraphs 1-4 of the 1986 Code of Ordinances of the City of Morrow, Georgia. This ordinance is provided for Codification, to repeal conflicting provisions of Title 4, to provide an effective date, and for other purposes. *1st Reading.*

5. **NEW BUSINESS:** None

6. **GENERAL COMMENTS:**

Mayor Burke asked Citizen and Council for comments:

Citizen comments:

Mrs. Cherre Crisp.
Mrs. Dorothy Dean.
Mr. Danny Rudd.
Rep. Valencia Stovall of district 74.

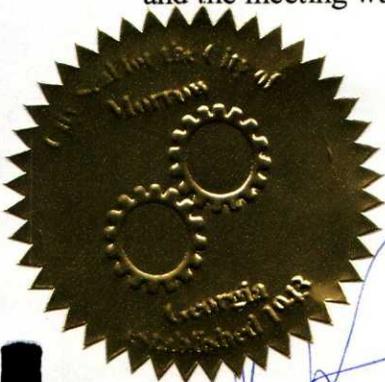
City Manager, Police Chief and Council comments:

City Manager Rom Few.
Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges.
Councilman Christopher Mills.
Councilman Larry Ferguson.
Mayor Pro Tem Hang Tran.
Police Chief Chris Leighty.

7. **ADJOURNMENT:**

1. Mayor Burke called for a motion to adjourn the Regular Council Meeting.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilwoman Jeanell Bridge made a motion to adjourn the Council Regular Meeting. Councilman Larry Ferguson seconded the motion, the motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.





Viet Tran, City Clerk
(Seal)



JB Burke, Mayor