

**CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
February 12, 2013 – 7:30 pm**

Note: These are summary minutes. For anyone who would like the full dialogue of the meeting, CDs are available in the City Clerk's office through the open records act.

Mayor Burke called the regular meeting of the Morrow City Council to order at 7:30 pm. The meeting took place in the Council Chambers of the Morrow Municipal Complex, 1500 Morrow Road, Morrow, GA, 30260.

City Clerk Evyonne Browning called the roll and those present were Mayor JB Burke, Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges, Councilman C.R. Huie, and Councilman Larry Ferguson. Councilman Virlyn Slaton was absent. She stated there was a quorum present.

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

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

City Clerk Evyonne Browning read the following change to the Agenda.

Under New Business, remove Item #5:

Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Morrow and the Morrow Downtown Development Authority (DDA) for the transfer of the property known as the "Chevron Site" located at 6459 Jonesboro Road, Morrow, Georgia, also known as Tax Parcel ID Number 12114CA006 and Tax Parcel ID Number 12114CA001.

Mayor Burke called for a motion.

MOTION AND VOTE: Mayor Pro Tem Larry Ferguson moved to approve the Meeting Agenda as amended. Councilman Bob Huie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA:

City Clerk Evyonne Browning read the following Consent Agenda Items:

1. Approval of the minutes from the January 22, 2013 Regular Council Meeting.
2. Approval of the FDW December 2012 Invoice for Clayton County SDS/LOST Legal Fees in the amount of \$8,746.39.
3. Approval of the FDW November, 2012 Invoice for Clayton County SDS/LOST Legal Fees in the amount of \$2,223.04.

4. Approval of the FDW January 28, 2013 Invoice for Charges and Fees regarding Brown Pelican Consulting LLC in connection with renegotiation of SDS and LOST in the amount of \$1,042.96
5. Approval of Henderson & Hundley, PC Invoice #11306 for the period 11/14/2012 to 12/31/2012 in the amount of \$14,387.43.

Mayor Burke called for a motion.

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilman Bob Huie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those in attendance.

REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

1. Dan Defnall gave the Financial Update

FIRST PRESENTATION: (None at this time)

NEW BUSINESS:

City Clerk Evyonne Browning read the following New Business item:

1. Approval of a Resolution to Amend the Policy Regarding a Reduced Rate Structure for the use of the Morrow Center Facility located in the City of Morrow in Limited Circumstances for Promotional Purposes.

Jeff Eady, City Manager presented the item.

Mayor Burke called for a motion

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Bob Huie moved to approve the item. Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those in attendance.

City Clerk Evyonne Browning read the following New Business item:

2. Approval to accept the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA) Citizens Police Corps Grant in the amount of \$6,190.

Police Captain Callaway presented the item.

Mayor Burke called for a motion

MOTION AND VOTE: Mayor Pro Tem Larry Ferguson moved to approve the item. Councilman Bob Huie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those in attendance.

City Clerk Evyonne Browning read the following New Business item:

3. Approval of the City of Morrow Public Meeting Participation Guidelines.

Jeff Eady, City Manager presented the item.

Mayor Burke called for a motion

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges moved to approve the item with the corrections stated by the City Clerk. Councilman Bob Huie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those in attendance.

City Clerk Evyonne Browning read the following New Business item:

4. Reappointment of Bob Huie as a member on the Morrow Business and Tourism Association (MBTA).

Jeff Eady, City Manager presented the item.

Mayor Burke called for a motion

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges moved to approve the item. Mayor Pro Tem Larry Ferguson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those in attendance.

City Clerk Evyonne Browning stated the following item was removed by motion and vote:

5. Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Morrow and the Morrow Downtown Development Authority (DDA) for the transfer of the property known as the "Chevron Site" located at 6459 Jonesboro Road, Morrow, Georgia, also known as Tax Parcel ID Number 12114CA006 and Tax Parcel ID Number 12114CA001. *(Removed by Motion and Vote)*

OLD BUSINESS:

City Clerk Evyonne Browning read the following New Business item and stated this was the second reading of this Ordinance:

1. Approval of an Ordinance of the Mayor and Council for the City of Morrow, Georgia to call a Referendum Election to submit to the Voters the Question of whether the Package Sale by Retailers of Malt Beverages and Wine on Sundays between the Hours of 12:30 pm and 11:30 pm shall be allowed; To notify the Election Superintendent for the City to Call such referendum Election to be held on the Tuesday after the First Monday in November, 2013; To Provide for Severability; To Repeal all Ordinances and Parts of Ordinances in Conflict herewith; To provide an Effective Date; and for other purposes.

Jeff Eady, City Manager presented the item.

Mayor Burke called for a motion

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges moved to approve the item. Councilman Bob Huie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those in attendance.

City Clerk Evyonne Browning read the following New Business item:

2. Appointment of Greg Hecht as the new City Attorney For the year 2013. The Firm Hecht Walker, Attorneys At Law agree to a \$170 hourly rate for the proposal tasks for the City of Morrow, Georgia. As stated in the proposal, bond financed transactions are paid on a transaction fee, non-hourly fee basis.

Jeff Eady, City Manager presented the item.

Mayor Burke called for a motion

MOTION AND VOTE: Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges moved to approve the appointment. Councilman Bob Huie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those in attendance.

GENERAL COMMENTS:

Mayor Burke made the call for Citizens comments.

Ray Aballo, 6451 Northridge Way, Morrow asked why after 18 years of using the Council Chambers for their homeowners meeting are they now being charged \$100 fee and a \$50 deposit. The Mayor and Council explained they passed these fees in November 27 of 2012 (confirmed by Councilman Huie's notes). It was implemented to be fair to all who desire to use the room.

Mayor Burke asked if the City Manager had any comments.

City Manager Jeff Eady – he had none.

Mayor Burke asked if the Council had any comments.

Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges introduced a student who is doing research in the City and she also announced there will be upcoming information on the City's 70th birthday celebration.

Councilman Bob Huie thanked Ray Aballo for being concerned about the changes and told the audience that if anyone has any questions on policies we (the council) need to address, please bring them to our attention.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferguson stated the Clayton State Homecoming Parade was a success.

Mayor Burke thanks Janice Lockhart and Mike Twomey for all their hard work on the parade.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor JB Burke called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

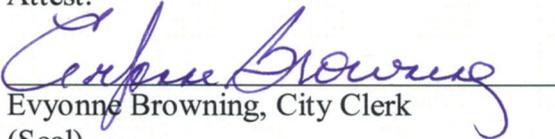
MOTION AND VOTE: Councilwoman Jeanell Bridges moved to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Larry Ferguson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by those in attendance and the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Approved this 26th day of February, 2013.



JB Burke, Mayor

Attest:



Evyonne Browning, City Clerk
(Seal)

