

**CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
August 14, 2012 – 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 Virlyn Slaton, Councilman C.R. Huie, and Councilman Larry Ferguson. 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 changes to the Meeting Agenda:

1. Add and Executive Session to discuss litigation at the end of the meeting after Comments.
2. Under the Consent Agenda, remove the Approval of an MOU between the City of Morrow and Clayton Archway Partnership.

**Mayor Burke** called for a motion and vote.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges moved to approve the meeting agenda. Councilman Virlyn Slaton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**City Clerk Evyonne Browning** read the following Consent Agenda Items:

1. Approval of the July 24, 2012 Regular and Work Session Minutes.
2. *(Removed by Motion and Vote)* Approval of a Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Morrow and Clayton Archway Partnership for the period July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.
3. Approval of Henderson & Hudley, PC Invoice #11216 for Professional Services for period 5/9/2012 to June 30, 2012 in the amount of \$8,228.85.

4. Approval of Fincher Denmark & Williams, LLC Invoice for Legal and Consulting Services Rendered for the Clayton County SDS/LOST Project through June 30, 2012 in the amount of \$7,248.91,

**Mayor Burke** called for a motion and vote.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Councilman Bob Huie moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS:**

1. Police Chief Chris Leighty awarded the Recognition of Investigative Excellence to Sergeant Larry Oglesby, Detective Philip Brooks and Detective Paul Wages for their work in the arrest of seven persons involved in an armed robbery at the Joe's Crab Shack in Morrow, Georgia. Presented. Chief Leighty also presented Captain Callaway with an award for leading his team in this effort.
2. Financial Update by Dan Defnall

**FIRST PRESENTATION:** None at this time

**OLD BUSINESS:** None at this time

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**City Clerk Evyonne Browning** read the following new business item.

1. Approval by the Mayor and Council to purchase a new custom pumper truck for the Morrow Fire Department as defined in the bid specifications which were posted on the City of Morrow and GMA websites, The Clayton News Daily, and the Atlanta Journal Constitution. After review and scoring 29 out of a possible 30 points, the 2012/13 Fire Apparatus Review Committee unanimously recommends the award go to Williams Fire Apparatus, representing SUTPHEN Manufacturing in the amount of \$423,439.00.

**Fire Chief Mark Herendeen** presented the item.

**Mayor Burke** called for a motion and second.

**MOTION AND SECOND:** Councilman Virlyn Slaton moved to approve the item. Councilman Bob Huie seconded the motion.

**Mayor Burke** asked if there was any discussion. After hearing none, he called for a vote.

**VOTE:** The motion passed unanimously.

**City Clerk Evyonne Browning** read the following new business item.

2. Approval of an agreement with Georgia Outdoor Advertising II, LLC with respect to location of billboards in the City of Morrow and in resolution of all outstanding claims by Georgia Outdoor against the City.

**City Attorney Laurel Henderson** presented the item.

**Mayor Burke** called for a motion and second.

**MOTION AND SECOND:** Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges moved to approve the item. Councilman Bob Huie seconded the motion.

**Mayor Burke** asked if there was any discussion. After hearing none, he called for a vote.

**VOTE:** The motion passed unanimously.

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS:**

**Mayor Burke** stated that Comments is a time for the citizens to make comments to the Mayor and Council and for them to listen to the concerns of the citizens. Citizens are to come to the podium if they wish to speak, stating your name and whether you are a citizen or business owner in the City. Comment cards will be provided by the City Clerk

**Mayor Burke** made the call to citizens for comments.

**Marvin Chisnell**, 6553 Peacock, asked if the City can help with the draining ditch issues he is having on the back of his property. Neighbors are throwing leaves and limbs into the ditch and it causes it to dam up.

**City Manager Jeff Eady** said he would look into this for him.

**Mayor Burke** asked if the City Manager had any comments.

**Jeff Eady** congratulated Chief Herendeen on the new fire truck and he also thanked for the PD for a good job on the Joe's Crab Shack issue.

**Mayor Burke** asked if the Council had any questions.

**Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges** thanked the Officers for their hard work and asked them to introduce their families who are present. She also congratulated Chief Herendeen about the fire truck.

**Police Chief Leighty** wanted everyone to know that the two new police cars are parked out in front of City Hall and asked everyone to come out and see them after the meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** (To discuss Litigation) *(Added by Motion and Vote)*

**Mayor Burke** called for a motion and second to adjourn into Executive Session.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges moved to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss litigation. Councilman Larry Ferguson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned into Executive Session at 8:05 pm.

**ADJURN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Mayor Burke** called for a motion and second to adjourn the Executive Session.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Councilman Larry Ferguson moved to adjourn the Executive Session. Councilman Virlyn Slaton seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the Executive Session was adjourned 8:26 pm.

**RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING**

**Mayor Burke** called for a motion and second to reconvene the regular meeting.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Councilman Virlyn Slaton moved to reconvene the regular meeting. Councilman Bob Huie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the regular meeting was reconvened at 8:27 pm.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**Mayor Burke** called for a motion and second to adjourn the Regular Meeting.

**MOTION AND VOTE:** Councilman Bob Huie moved to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:28 pm.

Approved this 28<sup>th</sup> day of August, 2012.

  
JB Burke, Mayor

Attest:

  
Evyonne Browning, City Clerk

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