

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MINUTES

May 14, 2019

The Committee of the Whole was called to order by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mayor Robert Reichert
Commissioner Joe Allen
Commissioner Valerie Wynn
Commissioner Virgil Watkins
Commissioner Bert Bivins
Commissioner Mallory Jones
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger
Commissioner Elaine Lucas

OTHERS PRESENT:

Keith Moffett County Manager
Judd Drake, County Attorney
Crystal Jones, Sr. Assistant County Attorney
Michael McNeill, Assistant County Attorney
Chris Floore, Public Affairs
Janice Ross, Clerk of Commission
Brett Lavender, Director, Information Technology
Stephanie Miller, Clerk of Superior Court
Rob Ryals, Director, Facilities Maintenance

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Commissioner Scotty Shepherd
Mayor Pro Tem Al Tillman

GUESTS PRESENT

NEW MEDIA:

Eric Mock, WGXA
Abby Kousouris, 13WMAZ

1. Approval of minutes from the April 23, 2019 meeting

ACTION

On motion of Commission Allen, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the minutes of the March 26, 2019 meeting were approved.

2. Update on Subsequent Tax Sales

Discussion

Wade McCord, Macon-Bibb County Tax Commissioner, updated the Commission on the properties selected for auction.

3. Renaming of State Route 74 to Tobesofkee Parkway

- A. A Resolution requesting the Georgia General Assembly to adopt local legislation to rename and dedicate that portion of State Route 74 from Interstate 475 westward to the Bibb County-Monroe County Line as "Tobesofkee Parkway"

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the Resolution to request the renaming of State Route 74 to Tobesofkee Parkway was approved.

4. Hotel / Motel Exercise Tax

- A. An Ordinance to amend Article III of Chapter 26 of the Code to levy a Hotel/Motel Excise Tax in the amount of eight percent in accordance with 2019 H.B. 668 to provide for the allocation of proceeds from such tax

ACTON

On motion of Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the Ordinance was moved to the Operations and Finance Committee for action.

5. Closing of Macon-Bibb County Pension Plan to New Employees

- A. An Ordinance to amend Appendix I of the Charter relating to the Macon-Bibb County Pension Plan pursuant to the authority granted Macon-Bibb County under the Georgia Public Retirement Systems Standards Act and Article IX, Section II, Paragraph I of the Constitution of the State of Georgia so as to close the Plan to new hires and re-hires effective July 1, 2019

ACTON

On motion of Commissioner Lucas, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the Ordinance to close the Macon-Bibb County Pension Plan was approved.

6. Executive Session

ACTON

On motion of Commissioner Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the Committee went into Executive Session for consultation with the county attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against Macon-Bibb County or any officer or employee or in which the county or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1);

There being no further business and on motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

Janice S. Ross, CMC
Clerk of the Commission