COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MINUTES

May 11, 2021

The Committee of the Whole was called to order by Mayor Lester M. Miller.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:
Mayor Lester M. Miller
Mayor Pro Tem Seth Clark
Commissioner Valerie Wynn
Commissioner Paul Bronson
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Mallory Jones
Commissioner Raymond Wilder
Commissioner Bill Howell
Commissioner Virgil Watkins
Commissioner Al Tillman

VISITORS PRESENT:
David Hollingsworth

OTHERS PRESENT:
Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney
Joel Callins, Assistant County Attorney
Frank Howard, Assistant County Attorney
Keith Moffett, County Manager
Chris Floore, Public Affairs
Janice Ross, Clerk of Commission
Wanzina Jackson, ECD
Shane Edwards, Fire Department
Cory Bloodworth, IT
Michael Glisson, Parks & Beautification
Edna Ruiz, Communications
Olivia Walter, Communications
Interim Chief Shane Edwards

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1. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Miller asked that the Resolution to accept a Memorial Tree Donation at Henry Burns Park, in memory of Don Moore, and allow for the installation of a Memorial Plaque be added to the Agenda. (Sponsored by Commissioner Al Tillman and Mayor Pro Tem Clark).

On motion of Commissioner Clark, seconded by Commissioner Watkins and Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously the item was added to the agenda.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE APRIL 27, 2021 MEETING

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the minutes were approved.

3. NEW ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE

A. New Alcohol Beverage License for Chevron Food Mart located at 1106 Rocky Creek Rd, Macon, GA 31210 (Tabled at the February 16, 2021 and March 9, 2021 Meeting)

Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney, gave the background of the applications for licensure. Mr. Hollingsworth stated that it is the intent of the current owner and operator that they are not going to apply for the Coin Operated Machines and there are now none in the establishment.

Commissioner Watkins moved to deny the license based on 4-36, seconded by Commissioner Bronson.

Commissioner Lucas offered a substitute motion to allow them to operate for six months with the stipulation that they be reviewed in six months to assure that there are no machines in the establishment. Mr. Groover clarified the motion to state that as long as the owner held an alcohol *license that they would not have any coin operated machines. Mr. Hollingsworth confirmed that there were no plans to apply for a Lottery License. Mr. Groover stated that should they choose to receive a Lottery License that their license for alcohol would be revoked. Mr. Hollingsworth stated that he looked at the approval of the license as a conditional license. Commissioner Howell seconded the motion.*

Commissioner Watkins withdrew his motion.

On motion of Commissioner Lucas, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried by a vote of seven to one with Commissioners Wynn, Bronson, Lucas, Jones, Wilder, Howell and Watkins casting the affirmative votes and Mayor Pro Tem Clark casting the dissenting vote the license was approved.

B. New Alcohol Beverage License for Kitchen Pride Food Store located at 3101 Columbus Road, Macon, GA 31204

After attempts to locate the applicant were unsuccessful, Mayor Pro Tem Clark moved to deny license, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the license was denied.

4 APPOINTMENTS / REAPPOINTMENTS TO AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, COMMITTEES

A. A Resolution to appoint Otis Redding III to the Macon-Bibb County Transit Authority (sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Lucas and carried unanimously, the appointment of Otis Redding to the Macon Transit Authority was approved.

B. A Resolution reappointing Elaine Lucas to the Central Georgia Joint Development Authority (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the reappointment of Commissioner Lucas to the Central Georgia Joint Development Authority was approved.

C. A Resolution appointing Ember Bishop Bentley to the Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by commissioner Lucas and carried unanimously, the appointment of Ember Bishop Bentley to the Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority was approved.

5. PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENTS

A. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Wade Ford, Inc in the amount of $102,879 for the purchase of three Ford Explorers RWD Vehicles with funds to be paid from the District Attorney's Capital Improvement Fund and General Fund (sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the agreement was approved.

B. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Williams Communications, Inc. in the amount of $69,490.45 for the purchase of Radio Communication Equipment to be paid from the General Fund, Sheriff, Patrol, Repairs and Maintenance, communications equipment (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried unanimously, the agreement with Williams was approved.

C. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Williams Communications, Inc. in the amount of $166,628.60 for the purchase of 60 Harris XL-150 Radios, with funds to be paid from the Information Technology Department, IT-Radio Systems, Computers & Hardware Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

The item will be presented at the May 18th meeting since the vendor has misquoted the price.

D. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Bergkamp, Inc. in the amount of $203,503 for the purchase of a truck mounted FP5 Flameless Pothole Patcher with funds to be paid from the Capital Improvement Fund, Public Works, Vehicles Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Bronson and carried unanimously, the agreement with Bergkamp was approved.

E. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Inclusion Solutions, LLC in the amount of $84,265 for the purchase of voting booths and related equipment to be paid from Out of the Board of Elections Grant Funds - Small Equipment and Improvements Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Lucas and carried unanimously, the agreement with Inclusion Solutions was approved.

F. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Inclusion Solutions, LLC in the amount of $82,765 for the purchase of voting booths and related equipment to be paid from Out of the Board of Elections Grant Funds - Small Equipment and Improvements Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Lucas and carried unanimously, the agreement with Inclusion Solutions was approved.

G. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement with Prologic ITS LLC in the amount of $181,749 for the purchase of 50 Panasonic Toughpad FZ_G1 Tablets and Equipment for Mobile Data Terminals, with funds to be paid from the SPLOST 2018 Fund, Public Safety, I. T. Upgrade, Property Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller and Commissioners Wynn, Bronson, Lucas and Jones.

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Lucas and carried unanimously, the Agreement with Prologic for toughpad tablets was approved.

H. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Purchase and Sale Agreement with LSC Environmental Products, LLC in the amount of $110,685 for the purchase of a Posi-Shell Applicator and Hose with funds to be paid from the SPLOST 2018 Fund, Landfill Closure, Solid Waste, Machinery & Equipment Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the agreement with LSC was approved.

6. CONTRACTS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OR RENEWAL

A. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to approve a Right of Way Spraying Contract with Naturchem, Inc in the amount of $57,540.22 to be paid from General Fund (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Bronson and carried unanimously, the agreement with Naturchem was approved.

B. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Geiger Lynch Macbain Campbell Engineers, P. C. to provide professional engineering consulting services for the structural support needed for the New Center Hung Scoreboard at the Macon Centreplex Coliseum in the amount of $13,200 to be paid from SPLOST Funds

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the agreement with Geiger Lynch Machain Campbell was approved.

C. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with W. T. Designs in an amount not to exceed $5,000 for the preparation of a Landscape Plan for five interstate interchanges to be paid by the Capital Improvement Fund (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the agreement with W. T. Design was approved.

7. BUDGET TRANSFERS AND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION

A. An Ordinance to authorize a Budget Transfer within the Vehicle Maintenance Department Budget, from the Salary and Wages - Overtime - OT Line Item to the Salary and Wages - Additional Regular Line Item in the amount of $35,000 to provide for wages for Mechanics in the Vehicle Maintenance Department (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the transfer of funds in the Vehicle Maintenance Department was approved.

B. An Ordinance to authorize a Supplemental Appropriation from Fund Balance to the Superior Court Clerk's Budget - Professional Services - Other Line Item in the amount of $36,600 to provide funds for the purpose of hiring an outside contractor to assist with Real Estate Indexing Services (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried unanimously, the supplemental in the Superior Court Clerk’s Budget was approved.

8. OTHER ITEMS

A. A Resolution to provide $426,000 to Hawthorne Commons Limited Partnership, to be paid out of Economic and Community Development - Home Grant Funds, upon receipt of an allocation of Housing Tax Credits from the Georgia Department of Community Affairs for the Hawthorne Commons Development Project.

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the Hawthorne Commons Limited Partnership Grant Funds was approved.

B. A Resolution to accept a Memorial Tree Donation at Henry Burns Park, in memory of Don Moore, and allow for the installation of a Memorial Plaque (Sponsored by Commissioner Al Tillman)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Tillman and carried unanimously, the Donation of a tree at Henry Burns Park was approved.

9. FOR INFORMATION ONLY

A. A Resolution establishing New Fees for the Lake Tobesofkee Recreation Area (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. 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); Entering into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease property as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(b)(1)(E); and Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a county officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. §50-14-3(b)(2);

11. SITE VISIT

A. Site Visit to John Deere and Yancey Brothers

Respectfully submitted:

Janice S. Ross, CMC