

PRE-COMMISSION ACTING AS COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MINUTES

May 3, 2022

The Pre-Commission meeting acting as a 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 Mallory Jones
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Raymond Wilder
Commissioner Bill Howell
Commissioner Virgil Watkins
Commissioner Al Tillman

OTHERS PRESENT:

Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney
Michael McNeill, Sr. Assistant County Attorney
Adrianna Beavers, Assistant County Attorney
Frank Howard, Assistant County Attorney
Sara Davis, Assistant County Attorney
Keith Moffett, County Manager
Janice Ross, Clerk of Commission
Dr. Henry Ficklin
Chris Floore, Public Affairs
Wanzina Jackson, Director, ECD
Olivia Walter, Communications
Edna Ruiz, Communications
Andrianna Beavers, Asst. County Attorney

GUESTS:

Carlton Williams, EOC
Ivey Hall, Exec. Director, Habitat for Humanity
Erin Kellere, Chief of Staff, NewTown Macon

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- A. Minutes of the Pre – Commission acting as Committee of the Whole from March 15, 2022

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Bronson and carried unanimously, the minutes of March 15, 2022 was approved.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

3. APPOINTMENTS / REAPPOINTMENTS TO AUTHORITIES, BOARD, COMMITTEES

- A. A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission Appointing Mayor Lester Miller to the Central Georgia Joint Development Authority (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Howell, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried unanimously, the appointment of Mayor Lester Miller to the Central Georgia Joint Development Authority was approved.

- B. A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission Reappointing Jean Hagood to the Macon-Bibb County Board of Tax Assessors (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried unanimously, the reappointment of Jean Hagood to the Board of Tax Assessors was approved.

- C. A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission Reappointing Dwight Jones to the Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority; and for other lawful purposes (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, Dwight Jones reappointment to the Industrial Authority was approved.

4. CONTRACTS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OR RENEWAL

- A. A Resolution to authorize the Mayor to execute an independent contractor agreement with Reeves Construction Company in the amount of \$2,264,569.00 for deep patch asphalt resurfacing projects, to be paid from LMIG/GDOT Grant Funds Roadwork Line Item and 2018 SPLOST Funds – Road Work – Property Line Item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

Commissioner Virgil Watkins arrived at this time.

Commissioner Mallory Jones arrived at this time.

Commissioner Al Tillman arrived at this time.

On motion of Commissioner Jones, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the agreement with Reeves Construction Company was approved.

- B. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Agreement with Macon-Bibb County Economic Opportunity Council granting a community development block grant – Coronavirus Grant in the amount of \$104,632.00 for the provision of hotel/motel stays for displaced individuals and families (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Lucas and carried unanimously, the grant to EOC for provision of hotel/motel stays was approved.

- C. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an independent contractor agreement with Macon Area Habitat for Humanity, Inc. in the amount of \$453,533 to be paid from Home Investment Partnership Program Funds for construction of three new detached single-family residential homes (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Bronson and carried unanimously, the agreement with Macon Area Habit for Humanity for construction of three new detached single family homes was approved.

- D. A Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Memorandum of Understanding with NewTown BID Management, LLC for the installation and donation of a downtown lighting system (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller and Commissioner Valerie Wynn)

On motion of Commissioner Wynn, seconded by Commissioner Bronson and carried unanimously, the MOU with NewTown BID Management for the installation of downtown lighting was approved.

- E. A Resolution of the Macon-Bibb County Commission to authorize the Mayor to execute a purchase and sale agreement with GHC Mechanical Services, Inc. in the amount of \$154,728.72 for the purchase and installation of a replacement HVAC system for the Macon-Bibb County Government Center, to be paid from the Capital Improvement Fund, Facilities Management - Building and Building Improvements line item (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Howell and carried unanimously, the agreement to purchase and install a replacement HVAC system was approved

5. ORDINANCES

- A. An Ordinance of the Macon-Bibb County Commission to authorize a budget transfer within the Information Technology Department's budget, from various line items as stated herein. (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Mayor Miller, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the budget transfer for IT was approved.

- B. An Ordinance of the Macon-Bibb County Commission to amend the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinances to remove redundant provisions of the code in Chapter 6; to distinguish between the offense of litter and more detrimental violation of the code cause by nuisance debris and other matter described herein on real property; to provide in rem remedies for nuisances occurring on real property (Sponsored by Mayor Lester M. Miller, Commissioner Bill Howell, Commissioners Wilder)

On motion of Mayor Pro Tem Clark, seconded by Commissioner Wilder and carried unanimously, the Ordinance to distinguish between the offense of litter and more detrimental violations of the code was approved.

- C. An Ordinance of the Macon-Bibb County Commission to amend chapters 15 and 28 of the Macon-Bibb County Code of Ordinance to expressly allow the Mayor to enter into an inter-governmental agreement with the Bibb County Sheriff's Office to coordinate the identification and removal of abandoned vehicles (Sponsored by Lester M. Miller)

On motion of Commissioner Bronson, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried eight to one with Commissioners Wynn, Bronson, Lucas, Jones, Clark, Wilder Howell and Watkins casting the affirmative votes and Commissioner Tillman casting the dissenting vote, the Ordinance to enter into the agreement with the Sheriff's Office to coordinate the identification and abandoned vehicles was approved.

6. 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);

The Executive Session was moved to the 6:00 p.m. meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Janice S. Ross, CMC
Clerk of the Macon-Bibb County Commission