MINUTES OF PRE-COMMISSION MEETING
MACON-BIBB COUNTY COMMISSION
February 20, 2018
Government Center
(Large Conference Room)

The Pre-Commission meeting of the Macon - Bibb County Commission was held on February 20, 2018 at 5:00 P.M. in the Large Conference Room at the Government Center.

Commission Members Present

Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert
Commissioner Mallory Jones, III
Commissioner Gary Bechtel
Commissioner Joe Allen
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioners Bert Bivins, III
Commissioner Virgil Watkins, Jr.
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger
Commissioner Al Tillman
Commissioner Scotty Shepherd

Commissioner Absent

Staff Present
Judd Drake – Interim County Manager
Crystal Jones – Interim County Attorney
Julie Moore – Budget & Strategic Planning
Janice Ross – Clerk of the Commission
Charles Coney – Assistant County Manager
Michael McNeill - Assistant County Attorney
Chris Floore – Public Affairs
David Fortson - Director, Engineering Department

News Media Present
Stanley Dunlap, The Telegraph
Mary Grace Shaw, WMAZ13

Visitors Present:
Patti Gibbs – Visit Macon
Gary Wheat – Visit Macon
Ron Shipman – Georgia Power
J. R. Olive – Macon Arts Alliance
Jan Beeland – Macon Arts Alliance
Rufus Holmes – Bibb County Retiree Association
Alex Morrison – Urban Development Authority
Clay Murphey – SPLOST Project Manager
Jim McClendon – Sports Hall of Fame
Stacy Moore – Cherry Blossom Festival

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1. Call To Order

2. Announcements
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REVIEW OF REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS

Mayor Reichert reviewed the items that will be presented at the 6:00 p.m. Commission meeting.

PRE-COMMISSION AGENDA ITEMS

CONSENT AGENDA:

A. New Alcoholic Beverage Application for ZJ's Package Store, Inc. d.b.a. Star Liquor located at 3076 Riverside Drive, Macon, Ga. 31210

B. New Alcoholic Beverage Application for Scoley's, LLC d.b.a. Texas Border Grill located at 5797 Houston Road, Macon, GA 31216

- *On motion of Commissioner Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Shepherd and carried unanimously, the new Alcoholic Beverage Licenses for Star Liquor and Texas Border Grill were approved and added to tonight's agenda for action.*

NEW BUSINESS

A. A. Resolution to express its intent to increase the Hotel-Motel Tax and Redistribute the proceeds; to request the adoption of a local act of the General Assembly concerning the expenditure of the taxes so collected; to repeal and replace Resolution Number R-09-0089 of the City of Macon, Georgia

- *On motion of Commission Bechtel, seconded by Commissioner Allen and carried Five to four with Commissioners Bechtel, Schlesinger, Jones, Allen, and Shepherd casting the affirmative votes and Commissioners Watkins, Tillman, Bivins and Lucas casting the dissenting votes , the above Resolution was tabled and removed from tonight's agenda..*

B. A Resolution appointing Joe Allen to the Macon-Bibb County Board of Health to complete the unexpired term of Bert Bivins, III

- *On motion of Commission Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the Resolution appointing Joe Allen to the Macon-Bibb County board of Health to complete the unexpired term of Bert Bivins, III was approved and added to tonight's agenda for action.*

C. A Resolution to authorize the use of $1,015,450 of the proceeds from the sale of the Ed DeFore Sports Complex for the completion of improvements to Henderson Stadium subject to the availability of said safe proceeds.

- *On motion of Commission Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried unanimously, the Resolution appointing Joe Allen to the Macon-Bibb County board of Health to complete the unexpired term of Bert Bivins, III was approved and added to tonight's agenda for action.*

D. An Ordinance to appropriate $15,000 from General Fund Balance to Human Resources Budget to pay for actuarial study on recommendations for adjustments to Pension Plans as Supplemental No. 5

- *On motion of Commission Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Jones and carried eight to one with Commissioners Bechtel, Schlesinger, Jones, Bivins, Allen, Schlesinger, Shepherd, Watkins and Tillman casting the affirmative votes and Commissioner Lucas casting the dissenting vote, the Ordinance to appropriate $15,000 from General Fund Balance to Human Resources was approved and added to tonight's agenda for action.*

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, and on motion of Commissioner Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Bechtel and carried unanimously, the Pre-Commission meeting was adjourned at 5:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:

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Janice S. Ross, CCC
Clerk of the Commission