

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MINUTES

January 23, 2018

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

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mayor Robert Reichert
Commissioner Mallory Jones
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Virgil Watkins
Commissioner Scotty Shepherd
Commissioner Gary Bechtel
Commissioner Joe Allen
Commissioner Al Tillman

OTHERS PRESENT:

Judd Drake, Interim County Manager
Crystal Jones, Interim County Attorney
Michael McNeill, Assistant County Attorney
Julie Moore, Assistant to the County Manager
Chris Floore, Assistant to the County Manager
Janice Ross, Clerk of the Commission
Rob Ryals, Director, Facilities Management

NEWS MEDIA:

Stanley Dunlap, The Telegraph
Mary Grace Shaw, 13WMAZ

VISITORS:

Clay Murphey, SPLOST Projects Manager
Mike Austin – Exec. Director, Macon Housing Authority
Ron Shipman – Greater Macon Chamber of Commerce
Albert Abrahams – Eisenhower Business Improvement District
George Greet – Greater Macon Chamber of Commerce
Jamie Arnold – Eisenhower Business Improvement District
Wimberly Treadwell – W. T. Designs
Chaise Stephens

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1. Approval of minutes from the January 9, 2018 meeting

ACTION

On motion of Commission Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Shepherd and carried unanimously, the minutes of the January 9, 2018 meeting were approved.

2. Greater Macon Chamber of Commerce

George Greer, President, Macon Chamber of Commerce, gave an update on the accomplishments from 2017 and the plans for 2018.

3. Eisenhower Business Improvement District

Jaime Cochran, Executive Director, Eisenhower Business Improvement District, gave an update on the improvements made on Eisenhower and the plans for the future.

4. Ed Defore Sports Complex

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Bechtel, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger and carried eight to one with Commissioners Bechtel, Bivins, Jones, Lucas, Schlesinger, Shepherd, Tillman and Watkins casting the affirmative votes and Commissioner Allen casting the dissenting vote, the Resolution to authorize the sale of the ed Defore Sports Complex and proceed with the legal process required for the sale of the Ed Defore Sports Complex to the Bibb County Board of Education which requires a public hearing and to authorize the issuance of a Design-Build RFP for improvements to Henderson Stadium using the funds from the sale of the Ed Defore Sports Complex was approved.

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

Respectfully Submitted:

Janice S. Ross
Clerk of the Commission