

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MINUTES

November 26, 2019

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

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert
Commissioner Bert Bivins
Commissioner Valerie Wynn
Commissioner Virgil Watkins
Commissioner Mallory Jones
Commissioner Elaine Lucas
Commissioner Larry Schlesinger
Commissioner Scotty Shepherd
Mayor Pro Tem Al Tillman

OTHERS PRESENT:

Duke Groover, Interim County Attorney
Michael McNeill, Sr. Assistant County Attorney
Chris Floore, Public Affairs
Janice Ross, Clerk of Commission
Ben Hubbard, Director, Human Resources
Sheriff David Davis, Bibb County Sheriff's Office
Rob Ryals, Director, Facilities Management
Brett Lavender, Director, Information Technology
Joe Nabhan, Information Technology
David Cromer, James Bates
Joel Callins, Assistant County Attorney

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Commissioner Joe Allen

NEW MEDIA:

Tanya Modersitzki, WMGT
Tiffany Thompson, WGXA
Liz Jarvis, Center for Collaborative Journalism

GUESTS PRESENT

Lester Miller, President, Board of Education
Miller Heath, Central City Commons
Tim Thornton, Central City Commons
Bill Howell
Wade McCord, Tax Commissioner
Tom Cherry, Tax Commissioners Office
Kevin Brown, Attorney, Industrial Authority
Robbie Fountain, Chairman Industrial Authority

1. Approval of minutes from the November 12, 2019 meeting

ACTION

On motion of Commission Allen, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the minutes of the November 12, 2019 meeting were approved.

2. Subsequent Tax Sale

Wade McCord gave an update on the Alternative Judicial In REM Sale Process. The Commission was in consensus that this would be another tool to help alleviate blight. Mayor Reichert asked the attorney's office to draft a Resolution for approval at the December 10, 2019 meeting.

3. Macon-Bibb County Industrial Authority

- A. A Resolution authorizing Macon-Bibb County to execute an amendment to the intergovernmental Agreement Relating to the Distribution of Payments in Lieu of Taxes Related to Project Bengal" in support of the planned expansion of the Irving Consumer Products, Inc. Facilities in Macon-Bibb County (Sponsored by Mayor Robert A. B. Reichert)

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Lucas and carried unanimously, the Resolution authorizing the amendment to the IGA related to Project Bengal was approved.

4. Pay Study

- A. A Resolution requesting the issuance of a Request for Proposals in order to retain the services of an entity to conduct a study of salaries, benefits, and job classification for Macon-Bibb County (Sponsored by Mayor Robert A B Reichert)

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Lucas, seconded by Commissioner Schlesinger the above Resolution was removed from the table.

ACTION

On motion of Commissioner Schlesinger, seconded by Commissioner Wynn and carried unanimously, the Resolution requesting the issuance of a Request for Proposals in order to retain the services of an entity to conduct a study of salaries, benefits, and job classification for Macon-Bibb County was approved.

5. ESCO

Rob Ryals, Director of Facilities Management, discussed the need to move forward to repair the aging infra structure of the Macon-Bibb County buildings. He continued that items could break and/or need to be replaced and the repairs would have to come from fund balance.

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