



The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Fort Valley was held Thursday, July 20, 2017, at 6:30pm at City Hall.

Mayor Barbara B. Williams presided.

Council Members in attendance: Duke Lane, Jr., Alonzo Allen, Jimmy Barnes, & Juanita Bryant. City Attorney, Billy Jerles was present. City Administrator Karin D. Vinson & Office Assistant Scakajawea Wright, served as recorders.

Invocation- Mayor Barbara Williams

Pledge of Allegiance

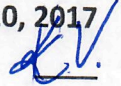
Approval of Minutes:

Councilwoman Bryant motioned to approve June 15, 2017 Meeting Minutes.
Councilman Lane 2nd the motion.

Announcements by the Mayor:

- Fort Valley Utility Commission hosted a Customer Appreciation Day July 18, 2017 at the Festival Park.
 - The theme was "A Day at the Beach"
- Chief Spurgeon was not present because he was supporting Sheriff Terry Des. He is being sworn in as president of the Sheriffs Association and will be presented with the Sheriff of the year award on July 20, 2017 at Lake Lanier.
- The month of September is Addiction Recovery & Family Literacy month.
 - Recovery Movement production will be presented by iHope Inc. & R2ise Recovery Association on September 22 from 1-3pm at the Austin Theatre.
 - Admission is Free
 - Donations are Accepted

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- Adult Literacy event is coming up
- Back 2 School Giveaway
 - Feed Center
 - Peach County Health Department
 - Churches
 - Major Anthony Brown & Masons (Byron/Tumor Ville)

Special Recognition:

Employees of the Month:

- Damion Jackson (Public Works)
- Justin Sayre (Public Safety)

New Business:

1. Resolution accepting bid and authorizing the transfer of surplus property on 537 Cliett St.
 - a. Councilwoman Bryant motioned to accept the bid on 537 Cliett St.
Councilman Allen 2nd the motion. All in Favor.
2. Resolution approving the amendment of Fort Valley Code of Ordinances sec. 22-199(a)
 - a. Councilman Lane motioned to adopt the approved amendment of Fort Valley Code of Ordinance Sec. 22-199(a)
Councilman Barnes 2nd the motion. All in Favor.
3. Resolution for City of Fort Valley to execute agreement to purchase property on behalf of Fort Valley Utility Commission.
 - a. Councilwoman Bryant motioned to accept the resolution for the City of Fort Valley to execute agreement to purchase property on behalf of Fort Valley Utility Commission.
Councilman Lane 2nd the motion. All in Favor.
 - b. The ground breaking of the previous property purchased will take place on August 2, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.
4. Resolution approving the amendment of Fort Valley Code of Ordinances Sec. 10-26(b)

- a. Councilman Allen motioned to adopt the resolution approving the amendment of Fort Valley Code of Ordinance Sec. 10-26(b).
Councilman Barnes 2nd the motion. All in Favor.
5. Resolution accepting the highest bids and authorizing the sale of surplus property of :
 1. 111 Charlevoix St
 2. 115 Jail House Alley
 3. 601 MLK Jr. Dr.
 4. 706 Courtland Ave.
- b. Councilwoman Bryant motioned to adopt the resolution to accept the highest bid and authorizing the sale of surplus property.
Councilman Lane 2nd the motion. All in Favor.
6. Resolution to purchase finance software.
 - a. Councilman Lane motioned to adopt the resolution to purchase finance software.
Councilman Allen 2nd the motion. All in Favor.
7. Resolution for City of Fort Valley to execute professional services agreement between City of Fort Valley and Ecological Planning Group, LLC.
 - a. Councilwoman Bryant motioned to adopt the resolution for City of Fort Valley to execute professional services agreement between City of Fort Valley and Ecological
Councilman Barnes 2nd the motion. All in Favor.
8. Resolution to update code of ordinances
 - a. Councilman Allen motioned to adopt the resolution to update the Code of Ordinance.
Councilman Lane 2nd the motion. All in Favor.

Committee Reports:

Public Safety Committee- Councilwoman Juanita Bryant reported on the number and classifications of calls the department received, training, and community activities. City Marshal has

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issued business license to four new businesses. The Fire Fighter of the year is Darius Hurdel and the Police Officer of the year was Alger Raines. Please see reports.

Personnel Committee- Councilman Duke Lane reported four police and someone for animal control had been hired. They have also advertised for a heavy equipment driver. He also reported the Veterans Memorial fountain is soon to come to the Festival Park. Bricks and installation will be sold for \$75. He also reported the cemetery plots will be available soon. Please see reports.

Public Works Committee- Councilman Jimmy Barnes reported on the amount for totaled collection. There was also report given by Director Ben Carpentar on the Sonny Nelson being the Employee of the year. Please see reports.

Economic Development Committee- Councilman Alonzo Allen reported that the Hotel/Motel conference Center had been discussed and that Kathy Lambert had put out a large thermometer to show they were raising money for the Freight Depot Warehouse. Please see reports.

Mayor Williams thanked Councilman Alonzo Allen for going to a DCA sponsored event that talked about the CHIP grant for refurbishing houses.

Motion by Councilwoman Juanita Bryant, 2nd by Councilman Alonzo Allen to adjourn. (7:12 p.m.)

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