

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Danny Dunagan, Zack Thompson, George Wangemann, Sam Couvillon, Barbara Brooks, Juli Clay
STAFF PRESENT: Bryan Lackey, Angela Sheppard, Abb Hayes, Denise Jordan, Alisa Grayson

Mayor Dunagan called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM and served as the presiding officer.

Pastor Newlin Vargas, Basin Ministries, delivered the invocation after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council Member Brooks

Reported COVID-19 testing continues at the Allen Creek Soccer Complex, Monday – Friday from 8:30 AM to 5 PM. Weekend testing is available at the Habersham County Health Department on Saturday 8:00 AM to 3 PM and Sunday from 8:30 AM to 12 PM.

Mayor Dunagan

Wished everyone a happy and safe Memorial Day and to remember those that sacrificed so much for our freedom.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Appointments: Airport Advisory Committee – Appoint Allen Nivens to replace Jimmy Nivens and Reappoint Alvin Kemp

Appointments: Housing Authority – Reappoint Broughton Cochran

Motion to appoint Allen Nivens to replace Jimmy Nivens and reappoint Alvin Kemp to the Airport Advisory Committee; and to reappoint Broughton Cochran to the Housing Authority as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Clay

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Wangemann, Couvillon, Brooks, Clay

Minutes: March 20, 2020 Called Council Meeting

Minutes: March 23, 2020 Called Council Meeting

Minutes: March 27, 2020 Called Council Meeting

Minutes: April 1, 2020 Called Council Meeting

Minutes: April 3, 2020 Called Council Meeting

Minutes: April 21, 2020 Mayor/Council Meeting

Minutes: April 30, 2020 Work Session

Minutes: May 5, 2020 Mayor/Council Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes accepting edits as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Wangemann, Couvillon, Brooks, Clay

Resolution

- A. PR-2020-05 Bureau of Justice Assistance Coronavirus Emergency Supplemental Funding Program Grant

City Manager Bryan Lackey provided a brief overview of the resolution.

Motion to adopt the resolution as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Wangemann

Motion seconded by Council Member Thompson

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Wangemann, Couvillon, Brooks, Clay

GENERAL LEGISLATION:

Ordinance 2020-09

Amend Chapter 6-16 Entitled Licenses Permits and Business Requirements

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard stated the proposed ordinance (also known as the "Pawnbroker and Secondhand Dealer" ordinance) consists of housekeeping items. The three primary changes 1) replaces references to the "City Marshal" "City Manager or designee", 2) allows administrative approval of pawn shop applications, and 3) gives the Code Enforcement Division authorization to enforce provisions of this ordinance along with the Police Department.

Motion to approve the Ordinance 2020-09, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 6-16 ENTITLED LICENSES, PERMITS AND BUSINESS REQUIREMENTS OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE BY ELIMINATING IT IN ITS ENTIRETY AND SUBSTITUTING IN ITS PLACE THE LANGUAGE SET FORTH BELOW; TO PROVIDE FOR THE APPLICATION, APPROVAL AND ENFORCEMENT OF PAWNBROKERS AND SECOND HAND DEALER OPERATIONS; TO REPEAL CONFLICTING ORDINANCES; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; TO PROVIDE FOR CODIFICATION; TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Wangemann

Motion seconded by Council Member Brooks

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Wangemann, Couvillon, Brooks, Clay

CITY MANAGER ISSUES:

BR-2020-18 Approval of Exercising Power of Eminent Domain at 628 EE Butler Parkway

(Tabled at the April 21, 2020 Mayor/Council Meeting - Staff recommends tabling to the June 16, 2020 Mayor/Council Meeting)

City Manager Bryan Lackey shared information about the referenced item noting it was previously tabled at the April 21 Mayor/Council Meeting. Discussions with the property owner continue to be productive and are ongoing. Legal Counsel recommended tabling the item to the June 16, 2020 Mayor/Council Meeting.

Motion to table to the resolution to the June 16, 2020 Mayor/Council Meeting.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Brooks

Votes favoring the motion: Thompson, Wangemann, Couvillon, Brooks, Clay

COVID-19 Phase 1 Reopening Update

City Manager Bryan Lackey provided an update on the soft opening of several facilities noting there have been no issues. Currently on track to proceed with Phase 2 on June 1 provided there are no issues/concerns. He confirmed the current operating hours are from 10 AM to 4 PM.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:40 PM

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C. Danny Dunagan, Jr., Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk