

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Danny Dunagan, Zack Thompson, George Wangemann, Sam Couvillon, Barbara Brooks, Juli Clay

STAFF PRESENT: Bryan Lackey, Angela Sheppard, Abb Hayes, Denise Jordan

Mayor Dunagan called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM and served as the presiding officer.

BUDGET PRESENTATIONS:

Keep Hall Beautiful (KHB)

Mayor Dunagan announced KHB's presentation was rescheduled to a future meeting.

Elachee Nature Science Center

Andrea Timpone and Jason Everett represented Elachee. They shared the mission statement and commented on the By-The-Numbers 2019 Annual Highlights. Some education program details were also shared. The FY2021 budget request is \$20,000.

Brenau University Business Incubator

Matt Thomas stated Brenau is still transitioning responsibilities associated with the Business Incubator. He shared the mission and vision of the Business Incubator at Brenau University (BIBU). He shared statistics about current clients and economic growth information directly related to BIBU. He indicated actions are underway to improve leadership at BIBU. The FY2021 budget request is \$40,000.

DEPARTMENT ISSUES:

Resolution: Georgia Emergency Management Agency Georgia Search and Rescue FY2019 Homeland Security K-9 Grant Award

Resolution: Georgia Emergency Management Agency Georgia Search and Rescue FY2019 Homeland Security Truck Grant Award

Division Chief Keith Smith requested acceptance of two GSAR grants on behalf of the Fire Department. The K-9 grant was for \$3,500 and the truck grant was for \$25,840. He commented on how funds would be used then extended appreciation to the Finance Department for its help managing the grants.

Placed both resolutions on the February 18, 2020 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

Resolution: Declaration of Surplus Property

Financial Services Manager Beverly Williams introduced Senior Accounting Manager Brenda Carpio who oversees capital assets. The proposed resolution authorized assets to be surplus and sold at auction to the highest bidder or disposed of with concurrence from the City Manager.

Placed on the February 18, 2020 Council Meeting Consent Agenda

CITY MANAGER ISSUES:

Main Street Program

City Manager Bryan Lackey announced the Main Street Program is in the process of being reaccredited.

MAYOR/COUNCIL ISSUES:

Several Council Members commented on the Infrastructure Retreat.

Council Member Wangemann

1. Provided a Georgia Mountains Regional Commission ex-officio report.
2. Shared he will be out of town February 20-25.

Mayor Dunagan

Provided nominations to the Ethics Committee and the Loan Review Committee. Both appointments were placed on the February 18, 2020 Council Meeting Consent Agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

City Manager Lackey requested an Executive Session to discuss real estate matters.

Motion to close the Work Session at 9:31 AM to enter an Executive Session to discuss real estate matters.

Motion made by Council Member Brooks
Motion seconded by Council Member Clay

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

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Motion to close the Executive Session at 10:00 AM.

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Motion seconded by Council Member Clay

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OTHER BUSINESS:

Chattahoochee Country Club Connection to Gainesville Sewer

City Manager Bryan Lackey summarized the details of a recent meeting with the Country Club and requested direction from the governing body in the upcoming months.

ADJOURNMENT: 10:34 AM

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C. Danny Dunagan, Jr., Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk