

OFFICIALS PRESENT: Sam Couvillon, Juli Hayes, Barbara Brooks, Danny Dunagan, Zack Thompson
VACANT POSITION: Ward 4
STAFF PRESENT: Angela Sheppard, Abb Hayes, Denise Jordan, Alisa Grayson
STAFF ABSENT: Bryan Lackey

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

Council Member Barbara Brooks provided the invocation after which the Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

PRESENTATIONS / RECOGNITIONS:

Running 4 Heroes

Mayor Couvillon recognized and expressed appreciation to youth runner Andrew Collinson for his service and participation with the Running 4 Heroes organization in honor of fallen First Responders and K-9 lost in the line of duty. Andrew's grandfather commented on the mission noting it could not happen without the leadership of the Mayor, Fire Chief Brandon Ellis, Police Lieutenant Kevin Holbrook and Officer Chris Jones. Andrew presented Mayor Couvillon with challenge coins as a token of appreciation.

You're the Reason Scholarship Awards

Mayor Couvillon briefly shared information about the scholarship program before announcing the awards. He recognized the recipients and presented the awards to Abigail Jones - 8th Place (\$1,000), Cooper Reid - 7th Place (\$1,000), Brett Wiley - 6th Place (\$1,000), Tristan Buffington - 5th Place (\$1,000), Christian Perry - 4th Place (\$1,000), Joshua Pike - 3rd Place (\$1,000), Caroline Sheridan - 2nd Place (\$1,500), and Addy McCoy - 1st Place (\$2,000).

Gainesville Chicken Scholarship Awards

Mayor Couvillon recognized Mike Giles, President of the Georgia Poultry Federation and briefly shared information about the scholarship program before announcing the awards. He recognized and presented the scholarship awards to Kendall Sparks - 3rd Place (\$1,500), Graham Spires (absent) - 2nd Place (\$1,500), and Amelia Housely - 1st Place (\$2,000).

Proclamation: National Public Works Week

Mayor Couvillon read a proclamation declaring May 19 - 25, 2024 to be *National Public Works Week* and presented it to Public Works Director Chris Rotalsky. Mr. Rotalsky commented on it being an honor. He recognized Public Works staff and expressed appreciation to Council for their support. Council Members Thompson and Dunagan expressed appreciation to the Public Works staff for all they do.

COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Council Member Dunagan

Commented on the dedication for Abit Massey at the Rotary Club meeting on yesterday noting it was a very rewarding recognition with highly distinguished speakers.

Council Member Thompson

Commented on the dedication noting it was a fine presentation for a fine gentleman and was glad to be part of it.

Council Member Hayes

Echoed statements regarding Abit Massey and learned more about his contributions to the community/state. She wished him well and extended prayers to his family.

Mayor Couvillon

Commented on the speakers paying homage to Abit Massey in his absence due to an illness. It was a great day for Gainesville in recognizing one of the city's finest citizen.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes: May 2, 2024 Work Session

Minutes: May 7, 2024 Mayor/Council Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes accepting edits as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Thompson

Motion seconded by Council Member Hayes

Votes favoring the motion: Hayes, Brooks, Dunagan, Thompson

Vacant: Ward 4

Resolutions

- A. BR-2024-16 Accepting a Portion of Continental Drive as a City Street
- B. BR-2024-17 Adoption of the FY2023 Annual Update to the CIE
- C. BR-2024-18 Tax Allocation District (TAD) Funding for 108 Washington Square and City Alleyway
- D. BR-2024-19 Tax Allocation District (TAD) Funding for 104 Main Street SW - "Humo & Fuego"
- E. BR-2024-20 Upper Chattahoochee Basin Group Agreement
- F. BR-2024-21 Write-off of Delinquent Personal Property Tax
- G. BR-2024-22 Write-off of Delinquent Utilities Receivables
- H. GR-2024-03 FY2024 Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant (LMIG) Elachee Drive Resurfacing
- I. GR-2024-04 FY2024 Local Road Assistance (LRA) Administration Grant

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard provided a brief overview of the resolutions.

Motion to adopt the resolutions as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Brooks

Votes favoring the motion: Hayes, Brooks, Dunagan, Thompson

Vacant: Ward 4

CITY ATTORNEY ISSUES:

A. BR-2024-23 Property Acquisition from S.A. Peters, LLC

City Attorney Abb Hayes stated the proposed resolution authorizes the acquisition of 523 and 527 Main Street from S.A. Peters, LLC.

Motion to adopt the resolution as presented.

Motion made by Council Member Dunagan

Motion seconded by Council Member Hayes
Votes favoring the motion: Hayes, Brooks, Dunagan, Thompson
Vacant: Ward 4

CITY CLERK ISSUES:

Special Election

City Clerk Denise Jordan commented on today's special election and thanked Public Relations Manager Christina Santee for adding the election night results page to the website. She briefly commented on the reporting timeline noting she will be monitoring results throughout the evening.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:55 PM

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W. Samuel Couvillon, Mayor

Denise O. Jordan, City Clerk