

WORK SESSION

A Work Session of the Hogansville City Council was held on Monday, October 15, 2018. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stankiewicz at 5p.m.

Present were Mayor Bill Stankiewicz, Council Member Reginald Jackson, Council Member Marichal Price, Council Member Fred Higgins, Council Member George Bailey, Council Member Theresa Strickland. Also present were City Manager David Milliron, and City Clerk Lisa Kelly.

BUSINESS

- Discussion of City Financials. City Accountant, Annette Anderson presented the August 2018
 financials summarizing the position of each fund. Staff committed to reporting back on
 expenditures from the restricted account, how funding will be provided for the Elm Street bridge
 project, and report on expenditures coded "Hummingbird Festival Expenditures".
- 2. Cajun Rhodes / Troup County Parks & Recreation. Mr. Rhodes introduced new Active Life Center Director, Renea Fannin. Ms. Fannin spoke briefly expressing her excitement over her new position. Mr. Rhodes presented a slide show introducing plans for the parking area at Strozier Park that will cost an estimated \$33k to be paid from County Parks & Recreation SPLOST funds. He did express the need to have the light poles removed from the area that was the ball field.
- 3. Process for recording of Council minutes. Mayor Stankiewicz stated he has been considering the nature of recording of council minutes. He discussed the role of the city clerk in recording minutes as per the charter and how they should not be a verbatim account of everything during a meeting. The City could consider hiring a transcription service but the cost would need to be considered for budget purposes. Mayor would like to follow the charter and have minutes that comply with it. Recordings are available if requested. City Attorney, Jeff Todd stated the minutes are the legal record of meetings and the City charter coincides with the minimum. Both minutes and recordings can be used as evidence if brought into question. While minutes are permanent records, recordings should have a retention schedule. Mayor Stankiewicz instructed City Clerk, Lisa Kelly to follow the charter going forward in preparing meeting minutes.

- 4. Rules for Council meeting attendance. As discussed in prior meetings, Jeff Todd has looked at several codes and there is very little out there for attendance and requirements. He has contacted legal counsel at Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) and there is no regulation on what can and cannot be done. Charter states Council has the power to set rules and regulations for attendance. The only other example he offered was a pay-per-meeting option that could be considered.
- 5. Council chamber location. Mayor Stankiewicz sought input from the Council as to where council chamber would be located if City Hall moves. After brief discussion, the overall opinion was to house the chamber inside the new City Hall. The architect will be notified to make provisions in plans and specifications.
- 6. Council Member Bailey noted he is getting complaints regarding the condition of the cemetery and asked if the City can get it cut. Milliron explained we are working hard to get everything cut but right now we simply do not have the resources and all the crews are stretched to the limit. There are five new employees hired, three, of which, are seasonal and will be cutting.
- 7. Council Member Strickland asked if parking provisions are being made for downtown residents during the festival weekend? Milliron stated there is a parking plan that will take downtown residents and business owners into consideration.
- 8. Council Member Strickland asked about the success of the robo-call system during the last storm. Milliron gave some scenarios of notification and stated there were lot of compliments on the call.
- Council Member Strickland asked for an update on the grants for cameras at the basketball courts. Milliron explained there are three steps to complete the process and receive approval.
 He committed to communicating that information later this week.

The Work Session was adjourned 6:50pm.

Respectfully,

Lisa E. Kelly, CMC

City Clerk

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