



City of Hogansville
City Council
Regular Meeting Agenda
Monday, April 18, 2022

**Meeting will be held at Hogansville City Hall,
111 High Street, Hogansville, GA 30230**

Mayor: Jake Ayers	2025	City Manager: Jonathan H. Lynn
Council Post 1: Michael Taylor, Jr	2025	Assistant City Manager: Lisa E. Kelly
Council Post 2: Matthew Morgan	2025	City Attorney: Alex Dixon
Council Post 3: Mandy Neese*	2023	Chief of Police: Jeffrey Sheppard
Council Post 4: Mark Ayers	2023	
Council Post 5: Toni Striblin	2023	* Mayor Pro-Tem

Regular Meeting – 7:00 pm

1. Call to Order – Mayor Jake Ayers
2. Invocation & Pledge

Consent Agenda

All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be approved by one blanket motion.

1. Approval of Agenda: Regular Meeting April 18, 2022
2. Approval of Minutes: Work Session Meeting April 4, 2022

Presentation

1. Introduction of New City Employees

Citizen Appearance

1. Jason Miles to Discuss Concerns Regarding City Manager
2. Darrell Neese to Discuss Lighting on the Tower Trail

Executive Session

New Business

1. Ante Litem

Old Business

1. Board Appointment – Planning and Zoning Commission

City Manager's Report

Council Member Reports

1. Council Member Taylor
2. Council Member Morgan
3. Council Member Neese
4. Council Member Ayers
5. Council Member Striblin

Mayor's Report

Adjourn

Upcoming Dates & Events

- April 19, 2022 – 6:30 pm | Meeting of the Hogansville Historic Commission at Hogansville City Hall
- April 21, 2022 – 5:30 pm | Meeting of the Hogansville Planning & Zoning Commission at Hogansville City Hall
- April 23, 2022 – 10:00 am | City Wide Cleanup and Fair at Hogansville Public Library
- April 24, 2022 – April 30, 2022 | Georgia Cities Week
- April 26, 2022 – 6:30 pm | Meeting of the Downtown Development Authority at Hogansville City Hall
- April 30, 2022 – 10:00 am | Lake Jimmy Jackson Canoe Cleanup
- April 30, 2022 -10:00 am | Paper Shredding and Tire Collection at the Calvin Hipp Park at E. Main St and Lord St.
- April 30, 2022 – 5:00 pm | Annual HGVL 5K Race and Fun Run Benefit at the Hogansville Depot (Night Market afterwards)
- May 2, 2022 – 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm | Work Session of the Mayor and Council at Hogansville City Hall
- May 2, 2022 – 7:00 pm | Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council at Hogansville City Hall



April 4, 2022

Work Session Meeting

Meeting held at Hogansville City Hall, 111 High Street, Hogansville GA 30230

Call to Order: Mayor Jake Ayers called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Present were Council Member Michael Taylor, Jr., Council Member Matthew Morgan, Council Member Mandy Neese, Council Member Mark Ayers, and Council Member Toni Striblin. Also present were City Manager Jonathan Lynn, Assistant City Manager Lisa Kelly and City Attorney Alex Dixon.

Council Member Taylor gave an invocation and Mayor Ayers led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion: Council Member Morgan moved to amend the Consent Agenda to note the previous meeting was a Regular Meeting, not a Work Session Meeting, and adding item number 7 under New Business-Engineering Services Proposal for Annex Building. The motion was seconded by Council Member Striblin.

Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Yea), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (Yea).

Motion Passed 5-0

PRESENTATIONS

1. Hogansville Elementary School Academic Team. Members of the Academic Team were not present for tonight's meeting.
2. Troup County Parks & Recreation Basketball & Football. – Members of the Troup County Parks & Rec Basketball teams and coaches in the 9 & 10 year old boys' basketball and the 9 & 10 year old girls' basketball were recognized for winning the Troup County Championships. Also recognized were the 11–13 year old boys' basketball team and coach for making it to the final round of playoffs and the boy's 9 & 10 year old football team and coaches for winning the Textile Bowl.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

1. Ms. Daisy Rutledge of 202 Ware St. addressed the Mayor & Council stating there are many improvements that are needed. She feels the Council is acting on things that are not necessities and feels other things should take more precedence. There doesn't seem to be any focus on the West side of town. Water is standing in yards due to the runoff from the subdivision on Highway 29, ditches have not been cleaned in over 40 years, drains needs to be cleaned, tree branches are hanging on power lines and there are many houses where kudzu is overtaking the structure. She would like Council to do more and wants to know what is being done.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. *City Owned Property* – A listing of City owned property was provided to Council Members. In order to dispose of any property not being used by the City it must be surplus and put out to bid.

Striblin would like us to consider donating some of those properties to the DDA for them to generate some income. Mayor recommended the DDA bringing recommendations to the Council.

2. ***Enlarge Planning & Zoning Board*** – Morgan would like to hear the thought process behind the request of increasing the DDA from 5 members to 7 members. City Manager Jonathan Lynn noted the board would like to be more inclusive and create sub-committees. Community Development Director Lynne Miller added the UDO would be a consideration for a sub-committee. Other things would be research. Seven members is a common number for Planning & Zoning Board members. Striblin stated that a member is not necessary to create a committee; there could be appointed liaisons. Mayor Ayers stated we are spending the funds for a new UDO and it would be beneficial to hear from the board on those matters. Staff is working to get the boards in front of the Council on a quarterly basis. Any change to the board will require an amended ordinance.
3. ***Increase Planning & Zoning Boards Terms*** – Mr. Lynn stated the commission's terms should be increased to a 3-year term from a 2-year term. Many times work being done with a 2-year term cannot be completed before the term expires. Morgan stated he doesn't have an issue but would like communication to improve between the Council and all the boards.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resolution – MEAG Voting Delegates

Motion: Motion was made by Council Member Neese to authorize the Mayor & City Manager as the voting delegates for the City of Hogansville relating to MEAG decisions. The motion was seconded by Council Member Morgan.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Yea), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (Yea)

Motion passes 5-0

2. Resolution – ECG Voting Delegates

Motion: Motion was made by Council Member Striblin to authorize the Mayor & City Manager as the voting delegates for the City of Hogansville relating to ECG decisions. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neese.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Yea), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (Yea)

Motion passes 5-0

3. Resolution – MGAG Voting Delegates

Motion: Motion was made by Council Member Neese to authorize the Mayor & City Manager as the voting delegates for the City of Hogansville relating MGAG decisions. The motion was seconded by Council Member Taylor.

Discussion:

Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Yea), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (Yea)

Motion passes 5-0

4. Authorization to participate in Mutual Aid Agreement with LPD, TCSO, TCMO, and WWPD

Motion: Motion was made by Council Member Taylor to authorize the City to participate in the Mutual Aid Agreement with LaGrange Police Department, Troup County Sheriff's Office, Troup County Marshall's Office and West Point Police Department. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neese.

Discussion: Mr. Lynn explained this MOU allows all jurisdictions to provide assistance to each other in times of need and emergency.

Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Yea), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (Yea)

Motion passes 5-0

5. MEAG Year End Settlement

Motion: Motion was made by Council Member Neese to use a portion of the Year End Settlement with MEAG for a one-time credit to customer's utility bills and remainder be used to credit the City's MEAG bill over 10 months.. The motion was seconded by Council Member Morgan.

Discussion: Each year the City receives a settlement. In past years, the City uses the credit broken up into annual payments that credits toward our monthly MEAG bill. Staff would like to have \$100k credited to the City over 10 months and refund the remaining \$94,307 toward customer's bills with a one time credit during a summer month.

Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Yea), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (Yea)

Motion passes 5-0

6. Board Appointment – Planning & Zoning Board

Motion: A motion to table the Planning & Zoning Board Appointment was made by Council Member Morgan. Council Member Striblin seconded the motion.

Discussion: Existing members will remain in their seats until a decision is made.

Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Yea), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (Yea)

Motion Passes 5-0 – Item is tabled until future meeting.

7. Engineering Firm for Annex Building

Motion: Motion was made by Council Member Striblin to hire GMC to begin engineering work to get the annex building ready for use. The motion was seconded by Council Member Neese.

Discussion: Mr. Lynn explained GMC has provided a proposal for services to get the annex building remodeled and ready for use. The items will result in an \$18k expenditure, broken down into categories. The building will house court services, meeting space, and a future visitor's center.

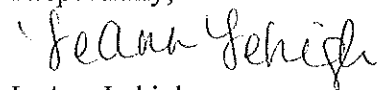
Roll Call Vote: Taylor (Yea), Morgan (Yea), Neese (Yea), Ayers (Yea), Striblin (Yea)

Motion Passes 5-0

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Council Member Striblin and duly seconded, Mayor Jake Ayers adjourned the meeting at 8:04pm.

Respectfully,



LeAnn Lehigh
Deputy City Clerk

CITY COUNCIL
Mayor Jake Ayers
Michael Taylor, Jr., Post 1
Mathew Morgan, Post 2
Mandy Neese, Post 3
Mark Ayers, Post 4
Toni Striblin, Post 5



Jonathan Lynn, City Manager
Lisa Kelly, Assistant City Manager
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COUNCIL ACTION FORM

MEETING DATE: April 18, 2022 **SUBMITTED BY:** Lynne Miller

AGENDA TITLE: Citizen Appointment to Hogansville Planning & Zoning Commission

CLASSIFICATION (City Attorney must approve all ordinances, resolutions and contracts as to form)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinance (No. ____) | <input type="checkbox"/> Contract | <input type="checkbox"/> Information Only | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Hearing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Resolution (No. ____) | <input type="checkbox"/> Ceremonial | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Discussion/Action | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |

BACKGROUND (Includes description, background, and justification)

At the City Council's last regular meeting (April 4, 2022), City Council considered 7 applications and 3 notes from additional interested parties for placement on the Hogansville Planning & Zoning Commission. One current member – Ellen Shellabarger – is up for replacement or renewal. Before making an appointment or reappointment, City Council expressed a need for additional information from the 10 applicants concerning their philosophies on development in Hogansville.

On April 5 and April 8, 2022, all 10 applicants were requested to submit statements concerning their philosophies on expansion, growth and development in Hogansville, by COB Wednesday, April 13, 2022. Statements were subsequently received from Stefano Canducci; Kane Hicks – who submitted an application with his development statement on p. 3; Andrew Smith; incumbent Ellen Shellabarger; Bill Stankiewicz and Chris Yarbrough. Those six development statements and their accompanying applications are attached. Applications from the remaining four (who didn't submit development statements) are at the end of the attachment.

BUDGETING & FINANCIAL IMPACT (Includes project costs and funding sources)

N/A

STAFF RECOMMENDATION (Include possible options for consideration)

Given the number of qualified and interested applicants, staff has no recommendation past requesting that an appointee be selected from the group of applicants to fill the expired term.