

**CITY OF CHAMBLEE, GA.
MINUTES
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 20, 2009**

PRESENT: Mayor Clarkson, Council members Wedge, Robson, Hogan, Zanger and Taylor

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes from the December 11, 2008 Work Session; December 16, 2008 Regular Council Meeting, and December 30, 2008 Budget Work Session was made by Councilmember Zanger, seconded by Councilmember Wedge and carried unanimously.

Approval of December 2008 Financial Statements and LGIP Report: At the request of staff, Councilmember Wedge made a motion to table this item until February to give time to close fiscal year 2008. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Robson, and carried unanimously.

City Planner / Development Director:

Request for Variances: Gary Gilmer, owner, applying for four zoning variances for two adjacent parcels at 5435 and 5437 Peachtree Road:

1. To allow sidewalk without required 5' landscape strip: Motion to deny variance per planner opinion made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Robson, and, after some discussion, carried unanimously.

2. To allow gravel parking: Motion to deny variance per planner opinion made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Robson, and, after some discussion, carried unanimously.

3. To allow metal building: Motion to approve variance for submission to the Architectural Review Board per planner opinion made by Councilmember Robson, seconded by Councilmember Wedge, and, after some discussion, carried unanimously.

4. To exceed signage square footage allowance & allow roof signage: Motion to deny variance per planner opinion made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Robson, and, after some discussion, carried unanimously.

City Manager's Report and Staff Recommendations:

A. Request for adoption of proposed operating budget for 2009: Motion to adopt Budget/Appropriations Resolution and E-911 Resolution (copies included with minutes) made by Councilmember Hogan, seconded by Councilmember Wedge and carried unanimously.

B. Request to set Qualifying Fees for 2009 Election: Motion to set qualifying fee for the office of Mayor at \$324.00 which is 3% of annual salary and qualify fee for City Council offices at \$216.00 which is 3% of annual salary made by Councilmember Hogan, seconded by Councilmember Taylor and carried unanimously. Fees will be published as required by State law.

C. Request for approval of Telecom Franchise Agreement with Adelpia Business Solutions: Motion to adopt resolution as submitted by GMA (copy included with minutes) consultant made by Councilmember Hogan, seconded by Councilmember Robson, and carried unanimously.

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Appointments: Motion to make the following appointments was made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Wedge and carried unanimously (inspector appointments are for 3 months only):

City Attorney	Joe Fowler
City Solicitor	Gary S. Vey
Public Defender	Lou Jenkins
Building Inspectors	Ray Chalfant & Ray Campbell, MBIS North
Plumbing Inspector	Ray Campbell, MBIS North
HVAC Inspector	Ray Campbell, MBIS North
Electrical Inspectors	Laverne Eller, Warren Waldrop & Bill Lee
City Auditor	Wilcox & Bivings, P.C.
Election Superintendent	City Clerk – Kathy Brannon
Assistant	Linda McDaniel
Pension Committee Secretary	City Clerk – Kathy Brannon
City Planner & Tree Consultant	Pond & Company
Mayor Pro-Tem	Scott Taylor
Personnel Committee	Tom Hogan, Dan Zanger & Mark Wedge

Motion to table the appointments of City Judges until February for submission of professional services agreements made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Wedge and carried unanimously.
Motion to table the appointments to the Recreational Advisory Committee until February for review of the by-laws for qualifications made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Wedge and carried unanimously:

Councilmember Hogan: Proclamation Recognizing Chamblee Business Association: Councilmember Hogan read the proclamation (copy included with minutes). Motion to adopt the proclamation as read made by Councilmember Hogan, seconded by Councilmember Taylor and carried unanimously.

City Attorney:

Second Reading of Ordinance regulating “Dealers in Precious Metals and Gems”: The ordinance was read by the City Attorney. Motion to adopt ordinance as read made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Robson, and carried unanimously.

First Reading of Ordinance regarding Hotel/Motel Excise tax increase: ordinance was read by the City Attorney.

First Reading of Ordinance to remove exemption from Sanitary Service Fee: ordinance was read by the City Attorney.

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Citizen Comment: No citizens chose to comment.

Meeting Adjourned: Motion to adjourn at 7:56 p.m. was made by Councilmember Taylor, seconded by Councilmember Robson, and carried unanimously.

Kathy Brannon – City Clerk

R. Eric Clarkson – Mayor