

CITY OF CHAMBLEE, GA
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 15, 2010 – 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Eric Clarkson called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Councilmembers present were: Mr. Tom Hogan, Ms. Leslie Robson, Mr. Scott Taylor, Mr. Mark Wedge, and Mr. Dan Zanger.

Staff members present were: Mr. Joe Fowler, City Attorney; Mr. Jim Gleason, City Manager; Mr. Tillman Hannon, Public Works Director; Ms. Angela Hudson, Finance Director; Mr. Joel Holmes, Recreation Director; Mr. Marc Johnson, Police Chief; Mr. Dan Schultz, Development Director; and Ms. Nancy Williams, City Clerk.

Public Hearing:

1) Proposed 2010 Milage Rate (7.95) – Hearing 3 of 3 - Mayor Clarkson read the rules for conducting the public hearing and then asked to hear comments from those who wished to speak about the proposed 2010 milage rate. Hearing no comments, Mayor Clarkson closed the public hearing.

Presentation and Announcements:

1) Chamblee 101 Certificates - Mayor Clarkson presented certificates of completion to citizens who attended a 5-week training session about Chamblee municipal government.

City Clerk:

1) Approval of Minutes – May 13, 2010 – Public Hearing and Work Session - Mr. Wedge made a motion to approve the minutes of the Public Hearing and Work Session held on May 13, 2010, as submitted. Ms. Robson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2) Approval of Minutes – May 18, 2010 – Regular Council Meeting - Ms. Robson made a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held on May 18, 2010, as submitted. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

City Manager:

1) Budget Transfer - \$2,500 from General Fund to Hotel-Motel Fund - This item was removed from the agenda.

2) Budget Amendment: Due to decrease in projected property tax revenue - Mr. Hogan made a motion to reduce the 2010 budget by \$87,500 due to a reduction in anticipated property tax revenue. Ms. Robson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3) 2010 Tax Millage Rate of 7.95 Mills - Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the 2010 Tax Rate of 7.95 mills. Ms. Robson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Development Director:

1) Zaxby's Appeal of Staff Decision - Mr. Taylor made a motion to instruct staff that upon receipt of payment of the filing fees, plans are allowed to be submitted to the development department and for the plans to be completely reviewed with a decision to be made based on the city's ordinances. Ms. Robson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2) Funding Request from Chamblee Antique Dealers' Association (CADA) for Brochures - Mr. Hogan made a motion to approve CADA's request for funding from hotel motel tax revenue, in an amount not to exceed \$4,536, to produce brochures for the purpose of promoting antiquing tourism, conventions and trade shows in the City of Chamblee. Mr. Zanger seconded the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Wedge voting in opposition.

Chief of Police:

1) Federal Grants - Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the Police Chief's recommendation to apply for grant funds for which the City of Chamblee is eligible to receive under the Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant Program and that the funds be used to upgrade and replace the security video system at the Police Department. This item will be placed on the July council agenda for the purposes of receiving public comment at the work session and final approval by the Council at the regular meeting scheduled for July 20, 2010. Mr. Zanger seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2) Approve Seizure Account and Authorization Signatures - Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the Police Chief's recommendation to establish a bank account at SunTrust Bank to deposit all cash that would otherwise be stored in the police evidence room, and that individuals occupying the following positions be designated as the only signatories on the account: Police Chief, CID Commander, CID Assistant Commander (Evidence Custodian), Uniform Division Commander. Mr. Wedge seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Finance:

1) Tax Anticipation Notes (TAN) Resolution - Mr. Wedge made a motion to approve a resolution to borrow \$1,800,000 in Tax Anticipation Notes with an interest rate of 2.63% from the Branch, Banking and Trust Company (BB&T) Bank to cover fiscal year 2010 operating costs. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2) GEMA Grant - Authorize receipt of grant and Budget Amendment - Public Works-Sanitation - Mr. Wedge made a motion to amend the fiscal year 2010 General Fund Budget by increasing the revenue and expenditures of the Public Works Department by \$19,516 and to approve the acceptance of GEMA Grant Funds in the amount of \$19,516. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Works:

1) Stormwater Project - Huntley Hills - Mr. Wedge made a motion to replace/repair the Huntley Hills Park storm water infrastructure and stream bank and to use the City's "County Banked Funds" to fund the project, as recommended by staff. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2) Stormwater Project - Curbs-Keswick Drive and Park Lane - Mr. Wedge made a motion to authorize the expenditure of \$58,000 from the storm water fund to contract with McLendon Monuments to raise all curbing along Keswick Drive, on both sides of the street (from Kim Lane to Donaldson Drive) and the corner of Park Lane to the required height of at least 6" (approximately 2,900 lf) to redirect storm water to the street inlets. Ms. Robson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3) Keswick Park Bench - Mr. Wedge made a motion to authorize staff to construct bench seating in Keswick Park. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

City Attorney:

1) 2nd Reading of Erosion and Sedimentation Control Ordinance - Mr. Zanger made a motion to allow the City Attorney to read only a summary of the proposed Erosion Sedimentation Control Ordinance. Mr. Wedge seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Mr. Taylor made a motion to approve the proposed ordinance. Mr. Wedge seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor-Council:

1) Tom Hogan:

A. Economic Development Advisory Committee - Mr. Hogan made a motion to approve nominations to the Economic Development Advisory Committee, as submitted:

Executive Committee: Mr. Alan Moise, Director of Chamblee Farmers Market; Danny Johnson of Georgia Power, Trevor Quander of Atlanta Gas Light, and Mary Finnegan of Chamblee Antique Dealers Association.

Board of Advisors: Mr. Elmer Smith, President of Interactive College of Technology

Ms. Robson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Farmer's Market Signs – Mr. Hogan made a motion to instruct staff to prepare an amendment to the ordinance concerning signage for Farmers' Markets and to have the first reading in July. Mr. Taylor seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Farmer's Market - Occupational Tax – Mr. Hogan made a motion to waive the occupational tax fees for vendors that are participants of the Chamblee Farmer's Market for the remainder of 2010. Ms. Robson seconded the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Wedge voting in opposition.

Public Comments:

Ms. Esther Bradford and Mr. Alan Moise thanked the City Council for their support of the Farmer's Market.

Mr. Roy Goldenburg, asked council to consider adopting a graffiti ordinance and asked the City to enforce the current ordinance that prohibits loitering.

Mr. Wedge made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting. Ms. Robson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Nancy Williams, City Clerk

Attest: _____
Eric Clarkson, Mayor