

MINUTES
CITY OF MCDONOUGH
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL – JUNE 21, 2010
7:00 PM

The regular City of McDonough Council Meeting was held on Monday, June 21, 2010, at 7:00 P.M. with the following members present:

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| Mayor: | Billy Copeland |
| Mayor Pro Tem: | Sandra Vincent |
| Councilmembers: | Rufus Amis |
| | Monta Brown |
| | Gail Notti |
| | Rufus Stewart |
| | Wayne Smith |

(Councilmember Notti arrived at the meeting shortly after it had begun.)

Also present for this meeting was: City Administrator, Billy Beckett; City Clerk, Janis Price; Police Chief, Preston Dorsey; Fire Chief, Steve Morgan; City Attorney, Winston Denmark; Community Development Director, Rodney Heard; Special Projects Coordinator, Jestin Johnson; Major Warren Langley, and Executive Assistant to Mayor and Council, Leslie Balog.

Mayor Copeland called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Pro Tem Vincent led the Pledge to the Flag and Councilmember Stewart gave the invocation.

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to approve tonight's agenda. Councilmember Brown motioned and Councilmember Stewart seconded. The vote was five in favor. (Councilmember Notti was not present for the vote.)

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Vincent motioned and Councilmember Stewart seconded. The vote was five in favor. (Councilmember Notti was not present for the vote.)

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the June 7, 2010 meeting. Councilmember Smith motioned and Councilmember Brown seconded. The vote was five in favor. (Councilmember Notti was not present for the vote.)

Community Development Items:

Specialty Item(s):

Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) – 2010 Community Choices Application

*Presentation > ARC award recipient > City of McDonough added to the 2010 roster for staff assistance in the evaluation of the 2010 “Active Living by Design” submittal.

Mrs. Kelli Brownlow and Mr. Stephen Causby, ARC staff

Mr. Stephen Causby with ARC spoke to Mayor and Council regarding the Community Choices Initiative. This is an agency wide initiative of the ARC to provide tools, resources and technical assistance to communities within ARC’s ten county area to help implement quality objectives and goals. Discussion ensued. This item will be discussed at the July 1, 2010 workshop.

Public Comments:

Attorney Alex Crumbley spoke to Mayor and Council regarding Mr. Paul Summers of Summers Furniture Restoration located at 47 Macon Street. Mr. Crumbley’s concerns were how to enforce the vagueness of the ordinance and the right to an appeal process by Mr. Summers. Mr. Crumbley asked that Council re-consider this issue. Councilmember Notti motioned to re-instate Mr. Summers’ ability to continue to work until this item has been discussed at the July 1 workshop. No one seconded the motion. The motion dies due to lack of a second. Mayor Copeland informed Mr. Crumbley that he will be contacted if he is able to be put on the agenda for the July 1, 2010 workshop.

Mr. Robbie Robinson, Chairman of City of McDonough’s Historic Preservation Commission, (HPC), spoke to Mayor and Council regarding the Resolution adopted by the HPC at the June 17, 2010 meeting. The HPC Chairman presented the Resolution to Mayor and Council. The Resolution recommends that the district boundaries of the McDonough Historic District and the Lawrenceville Street Historic District be modified to include additional properties in each district. Also in the Resolution is a recommendation that the City Council’s vote on the proposed historic districts be temporarily postponed so that notifications may be mailed and a new public hearing may be held. This item will be placed on the July 1, 2010 workshop agenda for discussion.

Police Chief Preston Dorsey recommended approval for alcohol licenses for the following:

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| 1. Guy A. Lee | ITZA A Taco | 1483 Highway 20 West |
| 2. Danielle C. Harris | 0Occasions Restaurant Bar & Lounge | 38 Macon Street |

Councilmember Stewart motioned to approve the alcohol licenses for the above as listed and Councilmember Smith seconded. The vote was six in favor.

There were no unscheduled public comments.

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for litigation and real estate matters. Councilmember Smith motioned and Councilmember Amis seconded. The vote was six in favor.

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to go back into Regular Session. Councilmember Smith motioned and Councilmember Amis seconded. The vote was six in favor.

There were no action items to report from Executive Session.

City Clerk reminded Mayor and Council that Campaign Contribution forms are due June 30, 2010 and Personal Financial Statements are due July 1, 2010.

Councilmember Brown commented that the City of McDonough is featured in the latest issue of the "Atlanta Magazine".

Councilmember Smith advised that he would be attending the Georgia Department of Transportation workshop on Tuesday, June 22, 2010, in Thomaston with Lee Hearn.

Mayor Copeland spoke about the District III Town Hall Meeting on June 29th from 6:30 pm-8:00 pm at the Henry County School Administration building. He also mentioned the ice cream social and patriotic program on the night of July 4th at the Square, and that the next workshop will be Thursday, July 1, 2010.

Having no further business Mayor Copeland adjourned the meeting and all stood in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Janis E. Price,
City Clerk