

MINUTES
CITY OF MCDONOUGH
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY HALL – OCTOBER 18, 2010
7:00 PM

The regular City of McDonough Council Meeting was held on Monday, October 18, 2010, at 7:00 PM with the following members present:

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

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

Also present for this meeting was: City Administrator, Billy Beckett; City Clerk, Janis Price; City Attorney, Steve Fincher; Fire Chief, Steve Morgan; Police Chief, Preston Dorsey; Public Works Director, Lee Hearn; Executive Assistant to Mayor and Council, Leslie Balog.; and Media Specialist, Casey Case.

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

Councilmember Amis led the Pledge to the Flag and Councilmember Stewart gave the invocation.

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to approve the agenda with one modification- to defer item # 11 to the next workshop. Councilmember Stewart motioned and Mayor Pro Tem Vincent 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 October 4, 2010 meeting minutes. Councilmember Smith motioned and Councilmember Amis seconded. The vote was five in favor. (Councilmember Notti was not present for the vote.)

Community Development Items:

Zoning Condition Modification (ZMOD): Residential

Randy Hayes on behalf of Callaway Park, LLC (Callaway Park Subdivision – Bridges Road)

District 2 – Mayor Pro Tem Sandra Vincent

R-50 (SFR) w/ conditions & variances per Ord. #04-03-01008(Z)

Land Lot(s) 131 of the 7th District

29.954 +/- acres (Parent Tract)

PC Meetings (Workshop 07/13/10 and Public Review 08/31/10)

CC Meetings – **Public Hearing held 9-20-10, and the vote postponed**

PC Recommendation: Stanley H. > Motion for approval w/ staff recommendation. Eddie E. > Second. Vote: 4 (Yea)-1 (Nay) -1 (Abst.)

Staff Recommendation: Approval with stipulations as a means of “corrective action” for economic re-start + sustainability of the proposed development located within the Bridges Road corridor.

City Administrator, Mr. Billy Beckett, stated that the Applicant requested to postpone this item until the November 1, 2010 City Council Meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Vincent motioned per Applicant’s request for a postponement of Randy Hayes on behalf of Callaway Park, LLC until the November 1, 2010 meeting, and Councilmember Smith seconded. The vote was five in favor. (Councilmember Notti was not present for the vote.)

The Reverend Archie Norman, Pastor of Henry Baptist Church of McDonough, spoke to Mayor and Council during Public Comments regarding the Adult Entertainment Ordinance. Reverend Norman asked to improve the way that information is relayed to the public. Mayor Pro Tem Vincent commented on how important it is to communicate to the community.

The Public Works Director, Mr. Lee Hearn, presented to Mayor and Council three equipment bids, and from whom the equipment would be purchased from:

Mini Excavator – Kubota KX121-R1At3	\$41,980.50	Mason Tractor
Asphalt Roller- 2007 Stone WolfPac 4100 Dble Drum	\$17,000.00	Reynolds-Warren Eq.
Asphalt Distributor-2010 LeeBoy Model L250T	\$ 9,260.00	Reynolds-Warren Eq.

This equipment is for the Water and Street Department. Councilmember Smith motioned to support the recommendation from Mr. Hearn to purchase the three equipment items as presented with funds coming from the SPLOST III account and Councilmember Notti seconded. The vote was six in favor.

Councilmember Brown gave a brief history on how the existing Adult Entertainment Ordinance was adopted. Currently the ordinance only allows adult establishments to be located on the east side of Industrial Boulevard. Councilmember Brown would like to request a city initiated amendment to the Adult Entertainment Ordinance to provide for a change in the allowable location and to modify the zoning ordinance as required per the location change. Councilmember Notti spoke opposing a change in the location. Mayor Pro Tem Vincent did not support a location change at this time, but did support the Community Development Director looking for any other possible areas for adult entertainment, including areas outside the City limits. Councilmember Brown motioned to allow the Community Development Director to re-advertise to amend the ordinance to allow Adult Entertainment Establishments to begin at King Mill Road on the north side of Hwy 155 down to the city limits sign, and Councilmember Smith seconded.

The vote was 4 to 2. The motion carries. (Councilmembers Smith, Brown, Amis and Stewart voted in favor and Mayor Pro Tem Vincent and Councilmember Notti voted in opposition.)

Item #11 was omitted from this meeting and will be discussed at the next workshop.

Mayor Pro Tem Vincent requested that the City Attorney review the city's Leash Ordinance. The City Attorney, Mr. Steve Fincher, reviewed the Ordinance. In December of 2008 the city adopted a new Animal Control Ordinance at the request of Henry County. Regarding enforcement, all animal control was turned over to Henry County.

Police Chief, Mr. Preston Dorsey, presented two bids to Mayor and Council for purchases of new vehicles, and then requested that the following be purchased for Police and Fire Departments:

4	2011 Ford Expeditions plus equipment (For Police Department)	\$129,631.12
1	2011 Ford Expedition plus some equipment (For the Fire Department)	\$ 24,445.28

Councilmember Smith motioned to approve the recommendation from Police Chief Dorsey to purchase four (4) 2011 Ford Expeditions plus equipment and one (1) 2011 Ford Expedition plus equipment at the prices stated and Mayor Pro Tem Vincent seconded. The vote was six in favor.

There were no unscheduled comments.

Mayor Pro Tem Vincent requested that Council please give some thought on the issue of communicating with the Public.

Mayor Copeland reminded Council of the Job Fair on Friday, October 22nd beginning at 10:00 AM and closing at 2:00 PM. There will be approximately 27-28 companies present to speak with citizens regarding employment.

Having no further business Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Smith motioned and Councilmember Stewart seconded. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Janis E. Price
City Clerk