

MINUTES  
CITY OF MCDONOUGH  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY HALL – MARCH 21, 2011  
7:00 PM

The City of McDonough Meeting was held on Monday, March 21, 2011 at 7:00 PM with the following members present:

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

(Councilmember Brown was not present at the meeting.)

Also present for this meeting were: City Administrator, Billy Beckett; City Clerk, Janis Price; Fire Chief, Steve Morgan; Police Chief, Preston Dorsey; Media Relations, Casey Case; and Special Projects Coordinator, Jestin Johnson.

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. Councilmember Smith motioned and Councilmember Notti seconded. The vote was five in favor. (Councilmember Brown was not present to vote.)

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

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to approve the March 7, 2011 meeting minutes and the February 25, 2010, April 1, 2010, April 29, 2010, October 28, 2010, and December 2, 2010 workshop minutes with the following amendments:

- February 25, 2010 Workshop, item #8 in the title, the word “grant” should be “agreement”
- October 28, 2010 Workshop, (1)summary paragraph under item #6, Ben Turnipseed Engineers should read Utility Asset Management; (2) Summary paragraph under item #8 the word “resistance” should be “resistant”
- December 2, 2010 Workshop, under Community Development item # 2 I – in the summary paragraph, line 3 the word “amount” should be deleted, line 5 and line 7-the word ‘zoning’ should be substituted with “land use”

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Councilmember Smith motioned to approve the minutes with the modifications and Councilmember Stewart seconded. The vote was five in favor. (Councilmember Brown was not present to vote.)

Special Projects Coordinator, Mr. Jestin Johnson discussed the National Citizen Survey with Mayor and Council. The City Administrator, Mr. Billy Beckett also discussed the survey. Discussion ensued. Mayor Pro Tem Vincent motioned to allow Mr. Johnson, the City Administrator, and any other designee to prepare the contractual arrangements for the National Citizen Survey and to include any recommended menu and Councilmember Notti seconded. The vote was five in favor. (Councilmember Brown was not present to vote.)

Mr. Ed Head spoke during the Unscheduled Public Comments. Mr. Head discussed his concerns about repairs on Phillips Drive. Mr. Beckett discussed issues concerning Phillips Drive. Councilmember Smith also commented on the repairs on Phillips Drive and suggested that the City will approach Georgia Department of Transportation regarding using transportation enhancement funds for improvements and will work with Henry County to do some engineering work. Mr. Beckett will have Public Works Director, Mr. Lee Hearn go out and check Phillips Drive.

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to go into Executive Session for real estate and legal matters. Councilmember Stewart motioned and Councilmember Smith seconded. The vote was five in favor. (Councilmember Brown was not present to vote.)

Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to go back into Regular Meeting Session. Councilmember Stewart motioned and Councilmember Amis seconded. The vote was four in favor. (Mayor Copeland, Mayor Pro Tem Vincent, Councilmembers Amis and Stewart voted in favor and Councilmembers Brown, Notti and Smith did not vote.)

There were no action items to report from Executive Session.

Mayor Pro Tem Vincent commented on a group of 40 children and 2 high school students from Huntsville, Alabama, coming to the Four Rivers Ministries on the previous Saturday and doing a garden project and singing at nursing homes in the area. Ms. Vincent took the group to the Welcome Center and showed them the Tourism's video so they could learn all about the City of McDonough.

Having no further business Mayor Copeland asked for a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Notti motioned and Councilmember Amis seconded. All stood in agreement. The meeting adjourned at 8:33 PM.

Janis E. Price  
City Clerk