

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF AUSTELL  
MONDAY JANUARY 8, 2018**

Present: Mayor Jerkins  
Scott Thomas  
Sandra Leverette  
Ollie Clemons  
Marlin Lamar  
Randy Green

Absent: Valerie Anderson

Also present were: Scott Kimbrough, City Attorney; Karen Fricke, City Clerk; Randy Bowens, Public Works Director; Jim Graham, Community Development Director; Pat Maxwell, Fire Chief; Bob Starrett, Police Chief, Denise Soesbee, Finance Director

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jerkins called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Reverend Joel Rodriguez of First United Methodist Church delivered the invocation. Mayor Jerkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. CONSENT AGENDA – INFORMATION AND UPDATE**

(No action required by council – See Specific Department director before a Meeting.)

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approve Bills
- B. Approve Legal Bills \$1140.00
- C. Approve Minutes of Regular Council Meeting December 4, 2017
- D. Approve Minutes of Special Called Meeting December 11, 2017

*Mayor Pro Tem Ollie Clemons made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Sandra Leverette seconded. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).*

**4. EXCEPTION TO CONSENT AGENDA**

**5. CITIZENS REPORT**

**6. GAS SYSTEM REPRESENTATIVE  
JOE JERKINS**

City Attorney Scott Kimbrough reported that the Board will be meeting the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month. As of the December meeting, the months of August through the first part of December show a marked increase in gas sales over the previous year.

A. Appoint Judy Starrett to Gas Board

\*This item was added during the work session prior to the meeting, due to the resignation of Ann Collins from the gas board.

*Scott Thomas made a motion to approve the appointment of Judy Starrett to the Gas Board to replace Ann Collins. Randy Green seconded. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).*

**7. FINANCE REPORT**

**OLLIE CLEMONS, CHAIRPERSON**

**Denise Soesbee, Director**

A. Financial Report

**8. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

**SANDRA LEVERETTE, CHAIRPERSON**

**Karen Fricke, Director**

A. No Report

**9. POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**RANDY GREEN, CHAIRPERSON**

**Bob Starrett, Police Chief**

A. Police Report

B. Privilege license renewals for 2018

Randy Green presented the list of businesses that will be renewing their privilege license for 2018.

*Randy Green made a motion to approve the renewal of privilege licenses for the listed businesses. Scott Thomas seconded. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).*

**10. FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**MARLIN LAMAR, CHAIRPERSON**

**Pat Maxwell, Fire Chief**

A. Fire Report

**11. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**VALERIE ANDERSON, CHAIRPERSON**

**Randy Bowens, Director**

A. Adoption of 2018 Water Conservation Rate Schedule

*Ollie Clemons made a motion to approve adoption of the 2018 Water Conservation Rate Schedule. Scott Thomas seconded. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).*

B. 2017 to 2028 Solid Waste Management Plan

*Scott Thomas made a motion to approve the 2017 to 2028 Solid Waste Management Plan. Randy Green seconded. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).*

**12. PARKS DEPARTMENT**

**SCOTT THOMAS, CHAIRPERSON**  
**Jim Graham, Director**

A. No Report

**13. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**OLLIE CLEMONS, CHAIRPERSON**  
**Jim Graham, Director**

- A. Code Enforcement Report
- B. 5055 Austell Rd. Annexation request

Mayor Pro Tem Ollie Clemons presented a request from GSA Plaza LLC/Gonzalo Marquez to annex the property located at 5055 Austell Road, in LL 1154, 1155, and 1214, parcel 33 of the 19<sup>th</sup> District, 2<sup>nd</sup> Section of Cobb County. The Planning and Zoning Board voted (4-0) in favor of the proposed annexation.

City Attorney Scott Kimbrough opened a public hearing on the matter. Rick Rodriguez spoke as a representative of the requestor. There was no one present to speak in opposition. Cobb County is not opposed to the annexation, and has informed the City through correspondence.

*Ollie Clemons made a motion to close the public hearing. Scott Thomas seconded. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).*

*Ollie Clemons made a motion to approve the annexation request. Marlin Lamar seconded. Motion carried unanimously (5-0).*

**14. ATTORNEY, DUPREE & KIMBROUGH**

A. No Report

**15. MAYOR'S REPORT**

A. CMA MEETING

TIME:

LOCATION:

6:30 P.M.

HOSTED BY

Mayor Jerkins announced that CMA does not have a meeting scheduled for January.

## **16. ADJOURN**

*Scott Thomas made a motion to adjourn. Randy Green seconded. Motion carried unanimously (5-0). Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.*