

**MINUTES OF THE  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF AUSTELL  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2011**

Present: Mayor Joe Jerkins  
Kirsten Anderson  
Trudie Causey  
Randy Green  
Virginia Reagan  
Scott Thomas

Absent: M. Standard

The regular meeting of the Mayor and the City Council was held on Monday, September 12, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. at City Hall.

Also present were: Scott Kimbrough, City Attorney; Carolyn Duncan, City Clerk; Sandra Farmer, Deputy City Clerk, General Administration; Randy Bowens, Public Works Director; Jim Graham, Community Affairs Director; Bob Starrett, Police Chief; Tim Williams, Fire Chief.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jerkins called the meeting to order. Reverend David O'Dell gave the Invocation and Mayor Jerkins led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Jerkins asked if any Council Member would like to add items to the Agenda. Ms. Causey stated she would like to add 13A. - Proposals For Old Jail Façade Updates.

*Mr. Green moved to follow the recommendation of Mayor Jerkins to add Item 13A. Seconded by Ms. Reagan. Motion passed (5-0).*

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

(No Action Required by Council – See Specific Department Director before Meeting.)

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approve Bills
- B. Approve Legal Bills \$1,546.59
- C. Approve Minutes of Regular Council Meeting August 1, 2011

*Mr. Thomas moved to follow the recommendation of Mayor Jerkins to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Ms. Reagan. Motion passed (5-0).*

**4. EXCEPTION TO CONSENT AGENDA**

**5. CITIZENS REPORT**

**6. GAS SYSTEM REPRESENTATIVE  
JOE JERKINS**

Mr. Kimbrough stated he attended the meeting a couple of weeks ago and normal business was discussed and adopted the rate schedule for this billing period. For the

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Nineteenth month in a row we were the lowest provider for natural gas in the deregulated markets. They are doing a real good job.

**7. FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

**VIRGINIA REAGAN, CHAIRPERSON**

**Denise Soesbee, Director**

A. Financial Report

B. 2011 Budget Adjustments

Ms. Reagan stated the 2011 Fiscal Year Budget adjustments will be distributed on Wednesday, August 31, 2011. These adjustments are between departments and will not increase the budget overall.

*Ms. Reagan moved to follow the recommendation to approve the 2011 Budget Adjustments. Seconded by Mr. Thomas. Motion passed (5-0).*

**8. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION**

**KIRSTEN ANDERSON, CHAIRPERSON**

**Carolyn Duncan, Director**

A. No Report

**9. POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**VIRGINIA REAGAN, CHAIRPERSON**

**Bob Starlet, Police Chief**

A. Police Report

B. Code Enforcement Report

**10. FIRE DEPARTMENT**

**SCOTT THOMAS, CHAIRPERSON**

**Tim Williams, Fire Chief**

A. Fire Report

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**11. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT  
MARTIN STANDARD, CHAIRPERSON  
Randy Bowens, Director**

- A. No Report

**12. PARKS DEPARTMENT  
RANDY GREEN, CHAIRPERSON  
Jim Graham, Director**

- A. No Report

**13. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT  
TRUDIE CAUSEY, CHAIRPERSON  
Jim Graham, Director**

- A. Proposals For Old Jail Façade Updates

Ms. Causey stated the Community Affairs Department has received a bid of five thousand four hundred and twenty dollars (\$5,420.00) from DACO Stone to repair the stone façade of the Old Jail on Broad Street. This was a single bid project because of the scarcity of qualified companies.

The Community Affairs Department also received the following bids on decorative window and entrance canopies:

Designer Awnings & Canopies	\$2,000.00
ABC Awning Co.	\$2, 050.00
Peachtree Awnings	\$1,750.00

*Ms. Causey moved to follow the recommendation of the Community Affairs Committee to accept the moderate bid of \$2,000.00 from Designer Awnings because we have used them before, we know their work is top quality and they are a local business.*

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*Money for these two projects will come from the Parks Department 100/6210 line item 54/1200, site improvements. The final total will be \$7,420.00. Seconded by Ms. Reagan. Motion passed (5-0).*

**14. ATTORNEY – DUPREE & KIMBROUGH**

A. No Report

**15. MAYOR'S REPORT**

A. CMA MEETING

October 11, 2011 (No Sept. Mtg.)  
(See Memo from CMA)

TIME:

5:00 – 7:00 P.M.

LOCATION:

Hosted by Powder Springs  
Cobb County Commissioner's Office

B. A.A.C.I.C.

Mayor Jerkins stated he had a meeting with A.A.C.I.C. committee the other day. Before the meeting Ms. Causey had spoken with Dr. Harris at Garrett Middle School and they needed some uniforms. The A.A.C.I.C. Committee approved \$2,500.00 for the uniforms for Garrett Middle School and it certainly has made a difference to the school. The Committee also approved \$2,500.00 for the Truancy Board. I also discussed the property next to Legion Park. One piece of property is owned by the County and the other is owned by Bank of America. We do not know what the figure will be but the Committee agreed to approve it when we get all the information together. The Committee will meet again the first Tuesday in December.

*Ms. Reagan moved to follow the recommendation of Mayor Jerkins to approve the dollar amounts above for Garrett Middle School and the properties that were discussed. Seconded by Ms. Anderson. Motion passed (5-0).*

**16. ADJOURN**

*Mr. Thomas moved to follow the recommendation of Mayor Jerkins to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ms. Causey. Motion passed (5-0).*