

**MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF AUSTELL
MONDAY, AUGUST 3, 2015**

Present: Mayor Joe Jerkins
Kirsten Anderson
Ollie Clemons
Randy Green
Scott Thomas
Suzanne Thomason

Absent: Virginia Reagan
Carolyn Duncan

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held on Monday, August 3, 2015 at 7:00 at City Hall.

Also present were: Scott Kimbrough, City Attorney; Sandra Farmer, Deputy City Clerk; Randy Bowens, Public Works Director; Jim Graham, Community Affairs Director; Pat Maxwell, Fire Chief; Denise Soesbee, Finance Director and Bob Starrett, Police Chief.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Jerkins called the meeting to order, Reverend Conner gave the Invocation and Mayor Jerkins led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Jerkins asked if anyone would like to add any items to the Agenda. Mr. Thomas stated he would like to add 12B. – Austell Threadmill Waterline S.P.L.O.S.T. project.

Ms. Anderson moved to follow the recommendation of Mayor Jerkins to add Item 12B. – Austell Threadmill Waterline S.P.L.O.S.T. project. Seconded by Mr. Green. 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 \$1,745.00
- C. Approve Minutes of Regular Council Meeting July 6, 2015
- D. Minutes- Public Hearing 07-15-15
- E. Minutes – Public Hearing & Special Called Meeting 07-22-15

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

4. EXCEPTION TO CONSENT AGENDA

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5. CITIZENS REPORT

Mayor Jerkins asked if anyone would like to speak to the Mayor and Council. No one spoke.

**6. GAS SYSTEM REPRESENTATIVE
JOE JERKINS**

Mr. Kimbrough attended the meeting and the gas rate was adopted applicable to this billing period. I also forgot to mention last week we adopted the budget for the upcoming year.

**7. FINANCE DEPARTMENT
VIRGINIA REAGAN, CHAIRPERSON
Denise Soesbee, Director**

A. Financial Report

B. 2014 – 15 Budget Revisions

Mayor Jerkins stated the purpose is to adjust the budget amounts to reflect actual financial activity for fiscal year 2014-15. In accordance with OCGA 36-81-2 “Any increase in appropriation at the legal level of control of the local government, whether accomplished through a change in anticipated revenues in any fund or through a transfer of appropriations among departments, shall require the approval of the governing authority”. Attached is a schedule of budget revisions needed in order to comply with OCGA 36-81-2.

It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee to approve the attached budget revisions for the 2014-15 Fiscal Year. (Please see attached sheets).

Ms. Anderson moved to follow the recommendation of Mayor Jerkins to approve the 2014-15 Budget Revisions. Seconded by Mr. Clemons. Motion passed (5-0).

C. **Information Only:**

1. Adopt 2015 Millage Rate – 3.060

Mayor Jerkins stated the Council and I met on July 22, 2015 for a Special Called Meeting to set and adopt the 2015 Millage Rate of 3.060

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2. Purchase of Property located at 5846 Love Street and 2787 Veterans Memorial Highway

Mayor Jerkins stated it was agreed to purchase 2 pieces of property located at 5846 Love Street and 2787 Veterans Memorial Highway for \$105,000 and to spend \$130,000 for remodeling of 3 buildings (one donated at 5850 Love Street) including a hip roof for the 2 buildings on Love Street. Council approved the total amount of \$235,000 to come from our Contingence Fund.

**8. GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE
KIRSTEN ANDERSON, CHAIRPERSON
Carolyn Duncan, Director**

A. No Report

**9. POLICE DEPARTMENT
VIRGINIA REAGAN, CHAIRPERSON
Bob Starrett, Police Chief**

- A. Police Report
- B. Code Enforcement Report

**10. FIRE DEPARTMENT
RANDY GREEN, CHAIRPERSON
Pat Maxwell, Fire Chief**

A. Fire Report

**11. PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
KIRSTEN ANDERSON, CHAIRPERSON
Randy Bowens, Director**

A. No Report

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**12. PARKS DEPARTMENT
SCOTT THOMAS, CHAIRPERSON
Jim Graham, Director**

- A. Naming of new neighborhood park located on Pine Grove Drive
Mr. Thomas stated the Parks Committee requests naming of the new neighborhood park located on Pine Grove Drive.

A recommendation was made to name the park as follows:

Pine Grove Park
Honoring the memory of Robert H. (Bobby) Causey
For his service to the City of Austell
July 1, 1985 – January 8, 2001

A second recommendation was made to name the park as follows:

Bobby's Park
Dedicated to the memory of Robert H. (Bobby) Causey
For his service at the City of Austell
July 1, 1985 – January 8, 2001

The park was constructed adjacent to Mr. Causey's home site.

Ms. Anderson asked if the name was already Pine Grove Park. Mr. Thomas stated yes it is Pine Grove Park. Mr. Graham stated it is a brand new park and we haven't named it.

Mr. Thomas moved to follow the recommendation of the Parks Committee to name the park Pine Grove Park and to dedicate a plaque honoring Robert H. (Bobby) Causey. Seconded by Mr. Clemons. Motion passed (5-0)

- B. Austell Threadmill Waterline S.P.L.O.S.T. project
Mr. Thomas stated an invitation to bid was sent out for the purpose of installing a new waterline at the Threadmill Complex to supply the building with water from the City of Austell Water Department at wholesale rates.

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The following bids were received, opened, and read publicly at the bid opening on July 24, 2015:

<u>Bidder:</u>	<u>Bid Amount:</u>
Strack, Inc.	\$245,822.28
Corley Contractors, Inc.	\$306,060.68
MVP Piping Co., Inc.	\$388,653.00
KM Davis	\$418,999.50
GS Contractor	\$463,931.50
Site Engineering, Inc.	\$479,342.00
Metals & Material Engineers	\$688,789.45

Mr. Thomas moved to follow the recommendation of the Parks Committee to award the contract to the lowest bidder, Strack, Inc., for \$245,822.28. The waterline is an approved S.P.L.O.S.T. project and will be funded from 325/6210/54.1200. A copy of the bid tabulation from Croy Engineering and the bid packet from Strack, Inc. is attached for your review. Seconded by Mr. Green. Motion passed (5-0).

**13. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
OLLIE CLEMONS, CHAIRPERSON
Jim Graham, Director**

A. Variance Board Appointments

Mr. Clemons stated the Community Affairs Committee recommends appointment of the following people:

<u>Variance Board</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiration Date</u>
Valerie Clemons	2 Year	May 31, 2016
Harry Rollins	2 Year	May 31, 2016
Quila N. Lee	2 Year	May 31, 2017

Mr. Clemons moved to follow the recommendation of the Community Affairs Committee to approve the Variance Board Appointments. Seconded by Ms. Anderson. Motion passed (5-0).

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14. ATTORNEY, DUPREE & KIMBROUGH

A. No Report

15. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. CMA MEETING
LOCATION:

TIME:

September 8, 2015
Hosted By Cobb Public Health Dept.
@ Cobb County Health Department
6:30 P.M.

16. ADJOURN

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