

**CITY OF HAHIRA**  
**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**JUNE 6, 2019**  
**6:00 P.M.**  
**COURTHOUSE**

The Mayor and Council met for a Council meeting at the Courthouse with Mayor Bruce Cain presiding.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Bruce Cain, Councils: Patrick Warren, Mason Barfield and Mayor Pro Tem Kenneth Davis. City Manager Jonathan Sumner, City Clerk Lisa Mashburn, Police Chief Terry Davis, PW Director Donnie Warren and Captain David Thompson. Councilman Terry Benjamin and Fire Chief Dwight Bennett were not present.

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Bruce Cain

**ESTABLISH QUORUM:** Mayor Bruce Cain

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Mayor Bruce Cain

**INVOCATION:** Pastor Mike Wells

**REVIEW/CORRECTIONS OF MEETING MINUTES:**

- A. APRIL 30, 2019 WORK SESSION**
- B. MAY 2, 2019 COUNCIL MEETING**

The Mayor asked if anyone had any questions or corrections regarding the minutes. None noted.

**Councilman Barfield made a motion to approve the minutes as presented which was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis. Councilman Barfield, Councilman Warren and Mayor Pro Tem Davis voted in favor of the motion.**

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

**A. FRANCHISE FEE FOR COLQUITEE EMC ORDINANCE-FIRST READING (CITY MANAGER)**

City Manager Sumner stated that this has been discussed at three different meetings and was postponed pending minor revisions. This is a franchise fee for the right of way for Colquitt EMC. These revisions have been reviewed and agreed upon by the City Attorney and it is now time for the City to adopt the ordinance. Does anyone have any questions? None noted. The Mayor asked if anyone wished to against this Ordinance. None noted. The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of the Ordinance. None noted. **A motion was made by Councilman Warren to approve the Ordinance which was seconded by Councilman Barfield. Councilman Warren, Councilman Barfield and Mayor Pro Tem Davis all voted in favor of the motion.**

**B. HAHIRA RECODIFICATION ADOPTION ORDINANCE-FIRST READING (CITY MANAGER)**

City Manager Sumner stated that the City Attorney has reviewed the recodification and has approved the document. The code is ready. The existing code adopted in 1985 was authorized for revision in 2004, these revisions were completed in 2005 with additions in 2009 but they were never adopted by the Council at that time. Now after 34 years it is ready for codification. The document can be assessable on line. Municode has been working on it for the past year. The Mayor asked if anyone had any questions. None noted. The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak against the Ordinance. None noted. The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of the Ordinance. None noted. **Mayor Pro Tem Davis made a motion to approve the Recodification adoption which was seconded by Councilman Warren. Mayor Pro Tem Davis, Councilman Warren and Councilman Barfield all voted in favor of the motion.**

**C. HA-2019-01 HAHIRA VETERINARY CLINIC BY JIMMY CONE, 600 GA HIGHWAY 122 WEST, REQUEST FOR VARIANCES TO THE HAHIRA GATEWAY CORRIDOR**

James Horton P & Z reviewed the proposed Variance request as stated at the Work Session on Tuesday night. The Planning Commission voted 7-0 to approve as stated at the Work Session. The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of the motion. None noted. The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak against the motion. None noted. Wilmon Stanley of 308 S Washington Street said he had a question about the 15-75 foot set back. The Mayor stated that this was built before the overlay district of 75 foot so the current set back is ok. The Mayor asked if anyone had any questions. None noted. **Councilman Barfield made a motion to approve Variance Request HA-2019-01 which was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis. Councilman Barfield, Councilman Warren and Mayor Pro Tem Davis all voted in favor of HA-2019-01.**

**D. HA-2019-02 JIMMY PATEL, 1311 GA HIGHWAY 122 WEST, REQUEST FOR VARIANCES TO THE HAHIRA GATEWAY CORRIDOR OVERLAY DISTRICT (PLANNING AND ZONING ADMINISTRATOR)**

Tracy Toliver reviewed the information on the zoning request that was discussed at Work Session. The request is to put up a 30 foot high sign that would be 175 square foot. The Planning Commission approved the request 7-0. There was also a formal request for the City of Hahira to review the Gateway Corridor Overlay at Exit 29. Councilman Warren asked if without this overlay they would need variance. She stated no. The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak against the request. None noted. The Mayor asked if anyone wished to speak in favor of the request. Ted Raker 724 Edgewater Place Hahira said he would like to speak in favor and stated that we are at a point of transition with the Construction at I-75. With I-75 and Morven Road changing this is not unreasonable, just like at the Winery there will be other Interstate business in the future. I think each case should be considered on each merit. The Council has control and I think they have done a good job, they have been fair and flexible. I support the variance request. Councilman Warren said that he thinks this is a changing district but thinks that Council should have ultimate control. **Mayor Pro Tem Davis made a motion to approve HA-2019-02 which was seconded by Councilman Warren. Councilman Barfield, Councilman Warren and Mayor Pro Tem Davis all voted in favor of the motion.**

**CITIZENS TO BE HEARD:**

None listed.

## REVIEW OF BILLS/BUDGET OVERAGES:

The Mayor asked if anyone had any questions or concerns regarding the bills. None noted. **Councilman Warren made a motion to pay the bills as presented which was seconded by Councilman Barfield. Councilman Warren, Councilman Barfield and Mayor Pro Tem Davis all voted in favor of the motion.**

## DISCUSSIONS:

### A. T-MOBILE LEASE FOR TILLMAN STREET WATER TOWER (CITY MANAGER)

Sumner stated this was discussed at the Work Session. Councilman Benjamin made a request to see what the tower would look like and the height. I did forward the pictures to Mayor and Council for review. There are pictures of several towers that stand roughly 10-15 feet on top of the tower. The Attorney survey will be done and have property legal description after authorization for the Mayor to sign. Does anyone have any questions? None noted. **A motion was made to approve by Councilman Barfield which was seconded by Councilman Warren. Councilman Barfield, Councilman Warren and Mayor Pro Tem Davis all voted in favor of the motion.**

### B. LOWNDES COUNTY REQUEST FOR WATER (CITY MANAGER)

This was discussed on Tuesday night at Work Session and it is unchanged. I have no new information for you. I did have a visit from Chairman Bill Slaughter today but with regret I have nothing to pass on, we have the letter and they will take appropriate steps after the response. The Mayor stated that we only have one area off of Union Road that uses City water with master meter but it is not intergovernmental entity. We have a few houses on Hagenbridge that are different but no large usage. **Councilman Warren made a motion not to accept the request for proposed development located on Brookridge which was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Davis. Councilman Warren, Councilman Barfield and Mayor Pro Tem Davis all voted in favor of the motion.**

## CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY FIREWORKS-\$2,500
- B. DUMP TRUCK AUTHORIZATION-\$40,000-SPLOST VII
- C. IT PROVIDER RENEWAL CONTRACT
- D. FY18 AUDIT

**A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Davis to approve the Consent agenda as presented which was seconded by Councilman Barfield. Councilman Barfield, Councilman Warren and Mayor Pro Tem Davis all voted in favor of the motion.**

## REPORTS:

Mayor Pro Tem Davis thanked everyone for coming tonight and thank you to staff for another good month.

Councilman Warren said he appreciates everyone coming out tonight and it is June 6, D Day. Please take the time to think about it, hear the stories, this is very important. When you look at the flag you need to realize all that died for us. We live in the great country in the world. I appreciate the opportunity to serve.

Councilman Barfield said amen to what has been said. I hope the developers will approach us and bring us something more favorable. I hope it will fall in our vision of the future. I thank you for being here and all those in the field for what you are doing. I have never seen the water level this extreme, up in February and now down in June. I thank you for the opportunity to serve and for being here tonight.

City Manager Sumner thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve and thank you to the department heads for the great work along with Victoria, Lisa and Carol in the Admin office. Thank you to Carol for the work on the Audit, we are again in the black and this another testament to the great work of the department heads. Just a reminder we will have the Farmers Market downtown again on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Mayor Cain said thank you to all staff for another great audit. Thank you to the department heads for working hard on the budget we did not go over so great job. Thank you for coming tonight.

**THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 6:40 P.M.**

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**MAYOR BRUCE CAIN**

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**CITY CLERK LISA MASHBURN**