



Mayor and Council Meeting Business Session Minutes May 14, 2012 7:15 PM

The Riverdale Mayor and City Council met on May 14, 2012 at 7:15 PM for the purpose of conducting a regular Business Session. The meeting was held in the Council Chambers at City Hall located at 7200 Church Street, Riverdale, Georgia 30274.

Call to Order and Welcome

With a quorum present, Mayor Evelyn Wynn-Dixon called the meeting to order at 7:15PM.

ROLL CALL:

All members of the governing body were present at the meeting at 7:15PM

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Invocation & Pledge was led by Chief Patterson of the Riverdale Police Department.

OFFICER IN ARMS TO READ RULES OF CONDUCT:

Rules of Conduct read by Officer L. Stephenson.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH ANY ADDITIONS/DELETIONS:

The following amendments were made to the agenda:

Addition(s): None.

Deletion(s): Resolution 27-05-2012

Tabled: None.


Postponed: None.

Motion: Council Member Kenny Ruffin moved to approve the amended agenda with deletions. Council Member An'cel Davis offered the second.

PRESENTATION:

-  **Proclamation presented to Mo-Joe's World Famous Buffalo Style Wings 15 years in business by Council Member An'cel Davis Ward 2**

Council Member Davis read a proclamation on behalf of Mayor/Council, recognizing the owner of Mo-Joe's World Famous Buffalo Style Wings for 15 years of established business in the City of Riverdale. Each council member offered well wishes to the owners of the establishment.

 **Presentation of the Quarterly Financial Report by Lolita Grant, Finance Director**
SEE: Exhibit A: City of Riverdale 3rd Qtr. Financial Report

Ms. Lolita Grant, Director of Finance, gave a presentation reporting the City's financial standing in the third quarter, ending March 31, 2012. Ms. Grant reported the total revenues for the City's general fund. She further reported revenue in the following areas: general property tax, sales tax, business/intangible tax, as well as each respective cash balance. The report included the total debt of the City and the returns of its investment accounts.

Councilmember Stamps-Jones inquired about the fine structure of the City. Ms. Jessie explained the comparative analysis that the City undergoes to determine its fine structure.

Councilmembers Davis and Wallace had no comment.

Councilmember Ruffin and Ms. Grant discussed the budgets of some specific line items.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Adoption of the April 23, 2012 Mayor and Council Meeting Minutes.

Motion: Council Member Wanda Wallace moved to approve the consent agenda. Council Member Kenneth Ruffin moved to second the motion. The consent agenda was approved unanimously by a vote of 4/0.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Ms. Jewel Lewis, residing at 6995 Chimney Ridge Dr., Riverdale, GA 30296, went before Mayor/Council to announce the upcoming 12th Annual Run/Walk. She then issued event t-shirts to Mayor/Council.

RESOLUTION(S):

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT TO BARTOS BUILDING COMPANY/WARNER SUMMERS/TINDALL FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF RIVERDALE TOWN CENTER PARKING DECK; TO PROVIDE FOR SEVERABILITY; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

SEE: Exhibit B: New Parking Deck

Mr. Michael Syphoe, Executive Director of the Riverdale Downtown Development Authority, came before Mayor/Council to request approval to award Bartos/Tindell Building with the contract to commence the parking deck construction. Mr. Syphoe indicated that the RFP (Request for Proposal) had been circulated, and had received four

(4) respondents. He advised that Bartos/Tindell had scored the highest rating among panel.

Council Member Stamps-Jones inquired about protective pedestrian covering leading from the parking deck to the Town Center. Mr. Syphoe advised that there were no plans in the blueprint for that kind of addition to the structure.

Council Member Davis and Mr. Syphoe discussed provisions for handicapped accessible parking. Mr. Syphoe advised that there would be double the number of spaces originally designated.

Council Member Wallace inquired about the negotiation process.

Motion: Council Member Wanda Wallace moved to adopt Resolution 28-05-2012. Council Member Kenny Ruffin offered the second. Resolution 28-05-2012 was adopted unanimously by a vote of 4/0.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF RIVERDALE, GEORGIA, DECLARING ITEMS OF CITY PROPERTY AS SURPLUS AND GRANTING PERMISSION TO DISPOSE OF SAME; AND TO PROVIDE FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Chief Patterson presented Resolution No. 29-05.2012. He asked for permission to declare two (2) vehicles as surplus: 1999 Ford F-150 and 1994 Chevrolet S10 pickup. He reported both vehicles as inoperable and the cost of repair exceeds the value of the vehicle. He requested further permission to sell one of the vehicles to the highest bidder on Government Deals.com or the next public auction at Tara Wrecker Auto Auction, located on Turner Road.

There were no comments made by Mayor/Council.

Motion: Council Member Wanda Wallace moved to adopt Resolution 29-05-2012. Council Member Kenneth Ruffin offered the second. Resolution 29-05-2012 was adopted unanimously by a vote of 4/0.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENT(S):

Council Member Cynthia Stamps-Jones

Council Member Cynthia Stamps-Jones thanked everyone in attendance for coming and congratulated the owners of Moe Joe's and Jewel Lewis.

Council Member Davis

Council Member Davis thanked everyone for attending and encouraged more people to return.

Council Member Wanda Wallace

Council Member Wanda Wallace thanked everyone for attending.

Council Member Kenny Ruffin

Council Member Kenny Ruffin thanked Ms. Jessie for applying for the Kaboom grant which enables cities to receive grants for playground construction. He also announced the launching of the basketball camp in June, as well as the football camp which will follow.

Mayor Evelyn Wynn Dixon

Mayor Dixon announced the success of the pro football youth camp. She also announced that the City was entering arbitration regarding the Service Delivery Agreement. She also lauded the success of Bill Gates Scholars at Riverdale High School and the CRCT performance of Church Street Elementary.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, Council Member Kenny Ruffin made a motion to adjourn the meeting, the second was offered by Council Member Wanda Wallace. With a unanimous vote, the meeting adjourned at 8:04PM.