

Mayor Millsaps called the regularly scheduled City Council meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with all Council Members present.

Mayor Millsaps called for the approval of the minutes of the July 6, 2009 Regularly scheduled meeting and the July 22, 2009 Special Call meeting and Executive Session. Ms. Beiser made a motion to approve the minutes as recorded. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clark. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Millsaps then asked that the Council delete Item #6 from the Consent Agenda and Item #2 under Council Business Meeting – New Business. The council agreed.

Mayor Millsaps informed those present that the September work session date is being changed from September 16, 2009 to September 23, 2009.

Mayor Millsaps presented the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the agreement between Lawrenceville and Bleakley Advisory Group, Inc. in the amount of \$10,000.00 for TADS and Opportunity Zone consulting services attached hereto as Exhibit "A".
2. Approval of Addendum V to the Agreement for Engineering Services between Lawrenceville and Precision Planning, Inc. in the amount of \$49,625.00 for implementation of design necessary for relocation of Lawrenceville's water department attached hereto as Exhibit "B".
3. Approval of the expenditure of \$18,000.00 for additional personnel for the Lawrenceville Visitor's Center for the remainder of 2009.
4. Approval of the streets listed on Exhibit "C" as the streets to be submitted for the 2010 Local Assistance Road Project.
5. Approval of the Culver Street Sidewalk Project under the SPLOST program.
6. ~~Approval of the lease agreement between Lawrenceville and The City of Lawrenceville Downtown Development Authority for the Oakes House located at 233 East Grogan Street attached hereto as Exhibit "D".~~
7. Approval of the Special Construction Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "E" between Lawrenceville and AT&T in the amount of \$21,088.83 for relocation of AT&T facilities located on Jackson Street for the construction of the new Lawrenceville Police Station.

Mr. Crow made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as amended. The motion was seconded by Ms. Beiser. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

PUBLIC HEARING - OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Leonard presented the second reading of the Zoning Ordinance amendments to sections 7.1, 7.7.1, O&I; 7.8, BN; 7.9, BG; 7.10, BGC; 7.11, HSB; 7.12, LM and 7.13, HM. Mr. Leonard stated that these ordinance amendments have been changed to combine all the components of the proposed amendments and into Section 8.7. Mr. Crow and Mr. Martin presented the following changes to Section 8.7:

Minimal Architectural Standards:

Front: LM/HM – Metal changed from ARB(b) to NO
Side: RM-6 – Hardiplank changed from 50% to YES
Side: RM-12 – Hardiplank changed from 50% to YES
Side: LM/HM – Metal changed from ARB(b) to 50% (b)
Rear: RM-6 – Hardiplank changed from 50% to YES
Rear: RM-12 - Hardiplank changed from 50% to YES
Rear: LM/HM – Concrete block changed from NO to YES

Other Requirements:

changed to read alteration from above standards may be heard by the City Council.

Add ## The airport property is exempt from these requirements.

“These requirements supercede any conflicting requirements within the RM zoning classifications.”

“Any appeals regarding application of these regulations shall be made to the Mayor and Council and no other appointed board of the City except as noted in the ordinance.”

After much discussion, Mr. Clark made a motion to approve Section 8.7 as amended. The motion was seconded by Mr. Martin. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

Mr. Leonard presented the second reading of the amendment to the Zoning Ordinance concerning signs. Mr. Crow made a motion to approve the ordinance with a change to allow for variances. The motion was seconded by Ms. Beiser. After much discussion, Ms. Beiser withdrew her second. Mr. Crow then withdrew his motion. Mr. Martin then made a motion to table this item until the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Crow. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

PUBLIC HEARING - NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Baroni informed the audience that the council is required to answer ethics questions

on zoning issues. For the following rezoning requests, all council members including the Mayor, answered "no" to all the ethics questions. Mr. Baroni stated that the council's affidavits are on file in the Planning and Zoning office.

Mayor Millsaps presented the first reading of a Special Use Permit for 3157 Sugarloaf Parkway. The applicant, Chris Metzler, is requesting permission to have an alcohol license at this location. Mr. Crow made a motion to approve the first reading. The motion was seconded by Mr. Martin. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING – OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Gussio presented an amendment to Chapter 44 of the Code of Ordinances pertaining to the Hotel/Motel Tax Rate. Mr. Gussio stated that currently the tax is at 5% and the ordinance as amended will raise the tax to 8% and change the quarterly collection to a monthly collection. Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the ordinance. The motion was seconded by Mr. Crow. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING – NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Gussio presented the election notice from the upcoming City election. This notice sets qualifying dates and various other dates pertaining to the election. Mr. Crow made a motion to approve the notice. The motion was seconded by Ms. Beiser. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

Mr. Gussio presented the bids for the Luckie Street/New Hope Road Waterline Project. The bids are as follows:

Strack, Inc.	\$ 883,287.30
John D. Stephens, Inc.	\$ 835,272.11
G.S. Construction, Inc.	\$1,102,681.90
Strickland & Sons Pipeline, Inc.	\$1,453,325.00
The Dickerson Group, Inc.	\$ 928,611.36
Kemi Construction Co., Inc.	\$1,132,600.00
Southeastern Contracting, LLC	\$ 729,981.00
PO Boys Plumbing, Inc.	\$ 942,626.00

Mr. Gussio stated that the low bidder is Southeastern Contracting, LLC at \$729,981.00. However, the City staff and our engineering consultant recommended that the City strike the low bidder due to lack of experience and improper bid and bond forms used for his bid. Mr. Gussio recommended then that the council select the second low bidder, John D. Stephens, Inc. at \$835,272.11. Mr. Crow made a motion to approve the bid of John D. Stephens, Inc. The motion was seconded by Ms. Beiser. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

Mr. Powell asked for approval of two resolutions for the condemnation of the Forester property at 118 Luckie Street and the Holcombe property at 205 S. Clayton Street. The Forester's attorney, Mr. Wilbur Brooks, was present and objected to the taking based on the amount offered and the reasons for the taking. Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the condemnation resolutions. The motion was seconded by Mr. Martin. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

Mr. Gussio explained two emergency nuisance complaints at 1581 Daniel Lane and 1455 Grayland Creek Place. Mr. Gussio stated that both properties have high weeds and trash in and around the yards. Mr. Crow made a motion to approve the nuisance complaints. The motion was seconded by Ms. Beiser. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

Mayor Millsaps presented the first reading of the amendment to Chapter 32-224 of the City Code of Ordinances. Mr. Clark made a motion to approve the first reading. The motion was seconded by Mr. Crow. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

Mayor Millsaps asked if there is a motion to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss one matter of litigation and one real estate issue. Mr. Crow made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session for discussion of those items. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clark. The motion carried unanimously.

After the Executive Session, Mr. Gussio explained that one real estate issue and one matter of litigation were discussed. No action was taken on either issue.

Mr. Crow then made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Clark. The motion carried unanimously.

Rex Millsaps, Mayor

Robert P. Baroni, City Clerk