

**Minutes of Regular Meeting
Mayor and Council
City of Fitzgerald, Georgia
September 12, 2017
6:00 pm**

Mayor and Council of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia, met in a **Regular** meeting in the City Hall Council Chambers, located at 302 East Central Avenue, with Mayor Masee presiding and with Council members Coney, Griffin, Holt, Jefferson, Jones, Tillman, Webb and Williams being present.

Minutes of August 14, 2017, Regular Council meeting were read. Mayor Masee entertained a motion for approval. Council Person Williams made a motion to approve minutes, seconded by Council Person Coney. Having a motion and a second, Mayor Masee asked if there were any other additions or corrections. With none being heard, called for a **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee opened with appreciation for those in attendance. Mayor Masee noted that this was a better day than the day before and thanked everyone who responded during the storm.

Under Reports of City Officers, Mayor Masee invited everyone to review the Administrative Report. With there being no questions or comments in regards to the administrative report, moved to reports of standing committees.

Reports of standing committees were given by their respective chairperson.

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Ordinance 17-1504** an ordinance levying a tax to meet the ordinary current and extraordinary expenses of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia, for the Year 2017 and other purposes. Council Person Coney motioned to approve **Ordinance 17-1504**, seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented a **Caption on Ordinance** to correct certain errors in ordinance No. 17-1501, approved July 10, 2017.

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented a **Caption on Ordinance** to grant a special exception with respect to the property at 102 East Central Avenue, Fitzgerald, Georgia.

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Resolution R17-006** a resolution for the adoption of policies and procedures and program design for the community home investment program (CHIP) grant for the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with the full reading of the resolution, seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee asked for approval of **Resolution R17-006**. Council Person Holt motioned to approve **Resolution R17-006**, seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Masee asked if there

was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Resolution R17-007** a resolution for the adoption of CHIP grant homeowner's eligibility requirements for community home investment program (CHIP) grant for the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with the full reading of the resolution, seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee asked for approval of **Resolution R17-007**. Council Person Holt motioned to approve **Resolution R17-007**, seconded by Council Person Coney. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Resolution R17-008** a resolution for the adoption of section three (3) policies and procedures for the community home investment program (CHIP) grant for the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with the full reading of the resolution, seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee asked for approval of **Resolution R17-008**. Council Person Webb motioned to approve **Resolution R17-008**, seconded by Council Person Coney. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Resolution R17-009** a resolution for the adoption of a language access plan (LAP) for Georgia Department of Community Affairs and United State Department of Housing and Urban Development funded grants and programs for the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with the full reading of the resolution, seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee asked for approval of **Resolution R17-009**. Council Person Coney motioned to approve **Resolution R17-009**, seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Resolution R17-010** a resolution to call a special election to fill the unexpired term of the office of Alderman-At-Large Eastern-And-Western District of Fitzgerald, Georgia, vacated by the resignation of Hon. Brandy Elrod. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with the full reading of the resolution, seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee asked for approval of **Resolution R17-010**. Mayor Masee took a moment to note the official date of resignation will be September 12, not 11 as written in the resolution. Council Person Holt clarified that once this resolution is accepted the council accepts Mrs. Elrod's resignation. Council Person Coney noted her exemplary service as a council member. Council Person Coney motioned to approve **Resolution R17-010**, seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

City Attorney, Kyle Cook, presented **Resolution R17-011** a resolution to authorize the conveyance of the property at 116 North Johnston Street, Fitzgerald, Ga, 31750, and all improvements located thereon for the public purposes, to the Downtown Development Authority of the City of Fitzgerald, Georgia (DDA) and to lease back said property on terms that will service the debt that DDA will incur to Colony Bank to complete the renovation, repair and restoration of the improvements located thereon, of Fitzgerald, Georgia. Council Person Coney motioned to dispense with the full reading of the resolution, seconded by Council Person Webb. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee asked for approval of **Resolution R17-011**. Council Person Webb motioned to approve **Resolution R17-011**, seconded by Council Person Coney. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no further discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved.**

Mayor Masee recommended the reappointment of Jay Paulk to the Fitzgerald Housing Authority for another 5 year term. This was based upon the recommendation of administration and Mr. Paulk's willingness to serve. Council Person Holt motioned to accept this appointment, seconded by Council person Griffin. Mayor Masee asked if there was any discussion. With no discussion, called for **Roll Call Vote: 8 Yes, 0 No. All in favor, motion approved**

Mayor Masee took a moment to show his appreciation to the city staff for their role during the storm emergency as well as the community as a whole for their involvement. There remains much work to be done regarding clean-up efforts. Mayor Masee is proud of the city and the community team.

With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED:

(SEAL)

MAYOR

ATTEST: _____

CITY CLERK

