

City of Jenkinsburg
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, June 13, 2016

With a quorum present, Mayor Eddie Ford called the City of Jenkinsburg's Council meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Attending were Council Members: Mayor Pro-Tem Richard Weaver, Kenneth Rooks, Joye England, Susan Barabas and Deputy City Clerk William Mullis. Council Member Jason Watts – absent.

Adopt Agenda. A motion was made by Richard Weaver to adopt the agenda as presented for the June 13, 2016 meeting. The motion was seconded by Kenneth Rooks. Council voted: Kenneth Rooks - yes, Richard Weaver - yes, Joye England - yes, Susan Barabas – yes, Jason Watts – absent. The motion passed.

Richard Weaver gave the invocation and Mayor Eddie Ford led the Pledge to the Flag.

Approve Minutes. A motion was made by Ken Rooks to approve the minutes as presented from the May 23, 2016 meeting. The motion was seconded by Richard Weaver. Council voted: Kenneth Rooks - yes, Richard Weaver - yes, Joye England - yes, Susan Barabas – yes, Jason Watts – absent. The motion passed.

Financial Report. A motion was made by Kenneth Rooks to accept the financial report as presented. The motion was seconded by Susan Barabas. Council voted: Kenneth Rooks – yes, Richard Weaver – yes, Joye England - yes, Susan Barabas – yes, Jason Watts – absent. The motion passed.

Staff Report: Mr. Mullis reported on the Flea Market/Yard Sale in Memorial Park on June 4th. Council Member Joye England was recognized for her much appreciated assistance in setting up the Vendors. A total of 20 Vendors participated in this first event and a number inquired about future events. As a result of this interest, a second Flea Market/Yard Sale in Memorial Park has been scheduled for Saturday, August 6th. Preparations for the planting of screening trees on the south property line at the City's "Westbury property" continue this week. Tree planting is tentatively scheduled to begin late this week.

Haisten and Johnston – 2015 Financial Audit – Mrs. Rae Johnston of the Haisten and Johnston firm presented a brief overview of the Financial Audit Report to be submitted electronically prior to the June 30th deadline. Mayor Ford expressed his appreciation for the work performed by Haisten and Johnston in support of both the City's reporting requirements and policy for full financial transparency to the public.

Ordinance JBGO# 16-01 – To Amend Article 3 of Chapter 20 of the City of Jenkinsburg, GA Zoning Ordinance: To Amend the Definition of "Building Setback Line." Mayor Eddie Ford gave a brief introduction of the ordinance explaining the slight differences between City and County definitions and the occasional discrepancies in public Right-of-Way widths leading to the City's desire to eliminate potential ambiguities. He then called for a motion to adopt. A motion was made by Kenneth Rooks to adopt JBGO# 16-01 as written. The motion was seconded by Richard Weaver. Council voted: Kenneth Rooks - yes, Richard Weaver - yes, Joye England - yes, Susan Barabas – yes, Jason Watts – absent. The motion passed.

Public Comments – City resident Roy Garald commented on "set back" requirements imposed on his property fence in a prior year and asked if the adopted Ordinance would have any effect on said fence location and further asked if there are plans for future roadway widening. Mayor Ford noted that there would be no effect and no future widening plans at this time – that the change in the Ordinance was simply to align the City requirements with those of the County with respect to the definition of the "Building setback line". Mayor Ford commented on historical ROW widths and concerns regarding obstructions. Mr. Garald asked about future public notices for local activities such as the yard sale. Mr. Mullis noted recent updates to the City's social media accounts to help reach the community and reminded all of the existing public bulletin board in front of City Hall. Mr. Garald thanked the Mayor for this information.

Mayor's Report – Council Member Kenneth Rooks noted that he will have a Hero Box update and a new Hero to work with by the next meeting. He stated that local business owners have expressed to him their appreciation for the job that city employees are doing in maintaining the local streets, highways and public properties and wished to add his own appreciation for a job well done.

Mayor adjourned the council meeting at 7:31 PM.

Recorded by: William Mullis – Deputy City Clerk