

# **City of Dublin**

**Pre-Council 5:00pm**  
**Council 5:30pm**  
**Council Meetings**

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## **Council Meeting Schedule**

- **May 03, 2018**: The agenda includes the following:
  1. **Approval of April 19, 2018 City Council Meeting Minutes.**
  2. **Approval of bills over \$3000.**
  3. **Approval of purchases over \$3,000**
  4. **Presentation by Interim Director Beverly Brown, Laurens County Library, on current events.**
  5. **Presentations by representatives of the Dublin Youth Council on current activities.**
  6. **Presentation by Mr. Bennie Bridges and other local business people regarding community concerns.**
  7. **Presentation by the NAACP.**
  8. **Citizen comments.**
  9. **Council comments.**
  10. **Adjournment.**
  
- **April 19, 2018**: The agenda includes the following:
  1. **Approval of April 05, 2018 City Council Meeting Minutes.**

- 2. Approval of bills over \$3000.**
- 3. Approval of purchases over \$3,000**
- 4. Presentation by the Downtown Development Authority updating Mayor and Council on downtown Dublin.**
- 5. Presentation of the FY17 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report.**
- 6. Discussion and action on an agreement with L&L Utilities for the installation of gas valve vaults at five locations along Highway 441 North.**
- 7. Discussion and action on award of design-build contact to Swim Pro Inc. for the construction of the Southern Pines Waterpark.**
- 8. Discussion and action on Board appointments.**
- 9. Citizen comments.**
- 10. Council comments.**
- 11. Adjournment**

## **Minutes from the April 19, 2018 City Council Meeting**

**City Hall  
Council Chamber  
APRIL 19, 2018**

**The called meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Dublin City Hall on Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 5:30 P.M.**

**Mayor Best called the meeting to order. Council Members Bill Brown, Bennie Jones, Gerald Smith, Curtis Edwards and Jerry Davis were present with Council Member Gary Johnson present by phone. Council Member Paul Griggs was absent. Council Member Bill Brown gave the invocation that was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.**

#### **APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 5, 2018 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**A motion was made by Councilman Davis and seconded by Councilman Jones to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously 6/0.**

#### **APPROVAL OF BILLS OVER \$3000**

**A motion was made by Councilman Edwards and was seconded by Councilman Brown to approve the following bills. The motion carried unanimously 6/0.**

#### **APPROVAL OF PURCHASES OVER \$3,000**

**City Manager Jones stated that there are no purchases for Council's consideration today.**

#### **PRESENTATION BY THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY UPDATING MAYOR AND COUNCIL ON DOWNTOWN DUBLIN**

**Mrs. Tara Bradshaw updated Mayor and Council on Downtown Development Authority's activities. Mrs. Bradshaw thanked Mayor and Council for their support of the DDA revitalization of Downtown Dublin and gave a snapshot of 2017 accomplishments that included 5.5 million dollars of investments in Downtown Dublin which netted seven new businesses and 37 jobs and also hosted just over 50,000 visitors who were visiting our Theater, Farmers Market or any Downtown events. After her presentation for 2017, Tara gave an update on the ongoing projects such as The Jackson Plaza and Parking which has spurred development of the majority of buildings in that area of downtown. Six new condos have been added in the downtown area. The Corker and the Henry Buildings are being rehabilitated. Several buildings on Jefferson Street are being transformed with renovations. The Railroad warehouse which had suffered severe damage is now looking to house two businesses in that building. DDA has partnered with the City to resurface and restripe parking lots, which should have addressed parking needs for downtown. The revival of the Martin Movie House**

at Theater Dublin for showing movies and has been successful and has had rave reviews. Tara recognized Elizabeth Coleman as Program Coordinator. For future plans, Tara wants to prepare and focus on business retention for attracting more shopping and dining and entertaining and visiting in downtown. Co-working will be a focus in the Henry Building. Some future plans are to make Downtown Dublin a destination with things such as tree lighting, benches, pedestrian signage, pole banners and etc. Should have fourteen commercial spaces available to be filled over the next twelve to eighteen months. Tara went over DDA funding and asked Mayor and Council to take a look at DDA and the City partnering and setting priorities. Mayor Best thanked Tara for her presentation and the job being done in downtown.

## **PRESENTATION OF THE FY17 COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT**

Greg Chapman, representing Nichols, Cauley & Associates, LLC presented the FY17 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Mr. Chapman reported that the 2016 report was awarded the Certificate of Achievement in Reporting and thanked the Finance Department and Department Heads for their assistance and also thanked Mayor and Council for all their support and cooperation. Mayor Best thanked Greg, Tim and Nichols, Cauley & Associates for all the hard work done and the advice given by all the staff. After Mr. Chapman completed his report, Councilman Smith made the motion to accept the FY17 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and Councilman Jones seconded the motion that carried unanimously 5/0.

## **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON AN AGREEMENT WITH L&L UTILITIES FOR THE INSTALLATION OF GAS VALVE VAULTS AT FIVE LOCATIONS ALONG HIGHWAY 441 NORTH**

City Manager Jones explained that the City's Gas system is located on Highway 441 North all the way to Milledgeville and these gas valve vaults are needing to be installed to help maintain and operate the gas system. Bids were taken and we received low bid of \$ 25,200.00 from L & L Utilities and staff recommendation is to accept the low bid from L & L Utilities. Councilman Edwards made the motion to approve the agreement with L&L Utilities for the installation of gas valve vaults at five locations along Highway 441 North and Councilman Davis seconded the motion that carried 5/0.

## **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON AWARD OF DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACT TO SWIM PRO INC. FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SOUTHERN PINES WATERPARK**

Assistant City Manager Stanley reported that the Pool Bid Evaluation Committee met to review the proposals for the design and build contracts and recommends that the design and construction of the Southern Pines Waterpark be awarded to Swim Pro Inc. for the proposed cost of \$1,593,781.00 with a final completion date of March 31, 2019. This does not include the purchase price of the slide units which will be approximately \$300,000, depending on the final design. Councilman Davis made the motion to accept this recommendation to award to Swim Pro Inc. for the proposed cost and Councilman Smith seconded the motion that carried 5/0.

## **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Best asked Council to consider approving Ms. Janet Mair to fill the unexpired term of Mrs. Karen Core on the Board of Health. Dr. Joe Carruth, who serves as Chairman of this board, has requested this appointment be considered. Councilman Brown made the motion to appoint Ms. Janet Mair to fill the unexpired term and Councilman Smith seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous 5/0.

## **CITIZENS COMMENTS**

There were no citizen comments.

## **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Brown thanked Greg for his presentation and thanked Tara Bradshaw for her presentation and everything she does on a daily basis to promote and help make our downtown area grow and thanked everybody else for being here.

Councilman Davis thanked Nichols, Cauley & Associates and Greg for the presentation and commended Mrs. Tara Bradshaw for the wonderful job she does and thanked everyone for coming.

Councilman Edwards thanked everyone for coming and thanked Greg for the Financial Report and thanked Tara for everything she and her board does and for her presentation.

Councilman Smith thanked everyone for coming and thanked Tara for her presentation and all the progress that she has been a part of in the Downtown area and thanked Greg for his presentation. Councilman Smith stated that Janet Mair is a great person and will be a good person to serve on this Board and also stated Karen Core has served well over the years. He thanked Danny Jones and wished him well with the Pool Project and will complete a vision that was created a long time ago.

Councilman Jones thanked everyone for coming out and echoed all the comments that have been made and thanked Ms. Bradshaw and thanked Greg for his presentation and thanked the Pool Committee, looking forward to completion of the pool. He added that the Youth Council went to Atlanta to receive an award and as applications are being taken, it looks like representation for next year on the Youth Council will have representation from all the area schools.

City Attorney Powell asked for Mayor to have Council consider taking a vote on accepting the FY17 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. At this time, Mayor Best asked for council to take a vote on the Presentation of the FY17 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report. Councilman Smith made the motion to accept the report and Councilman Jones seconded the motion that carried unanimously 5/0.

Acting City Clerk Stanley updated Council on the search for the Finance Officer/City Clerk. Ms. Stanley stated that The Mercer Group has put out a recruitment brochure state wide, regionally and nationally and has received a few applications and the deadline is May 14<sup>th</sup> and we are expecting to have some great applicants for this position. She added that City Employees will be having a Yard Sale and Bake Sale from 7AM to 12 Noon to raise funds for the Relay for Life on Saturday (21<sup>st</sup>). Also, she stated that we will be having a Customer Appreciation Day on Tuesday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, serving from 11AM to 1PM and next week is GMA's Georgia Cities Week and some of the City Employees will be highlighted during the week

City Manager Jones had no comments.

Mayor Best recognized Ms. Julie Driger, who serves as County Commissioner, who was present at tonight's meeting.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**There being no further business, Mayor Best adjourned the meeting at 6:20 P.M.**