

City of Dublin

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

Council Meeting Schedule

- **May 17, 2018**: The agenda includes the following:
 - 1. Adjournment to Executive Session for personnel matters.**
 - 2. Approval of May 03, 2018 City Council Meeting Minutes.**
 - 3. Approval of bills over \$3000.**
 - 4. Approval of purchases over \$3,000**
 - 5. Presentation by Ms. Patsy Baker, Executive Director of Keep Dublin Laurens Beautiful, Inc. on current activities.**
 - 6. Presentation by representatives of the International Committee updating Mayor and Council on current activities.**
 - 7. Presentation by Ms. Kesla Holder, Executive Director, Dublin-Laurens County Teen Court, updating Mayor and Council on current activities.**
 - 8. Presentation by the Youth Commission updating Mayor and Council on the Youth Council current activities.**
 - 9. First reading of the FY2018-2019 Budget.**

10. First reading of an ordinance amending Section 24-125 & 127(c) of Chapter 24 entitled residential, commercial and interruptible gas rates-generally.

11. Discussion and action on an Intergovernmental Agreement for the construction and maintenance and operation of a water park with Dublin-Laurens County Recreation Authority.

12. Discussion and action on a contract between the City of Dublin and Swim-Pro, Inc. for construction of Southern Pines Water Park.

13. Citizen comments.

14. Council comments.

15. Adjournment

- **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.**

Minutes from the May 03, 2018 City Council Meeting

**City Hall
Council Chamber
MAY 3, 2018**

The called meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Dublin City Hall on Thursday, May 3, 2018 at 5:30 P.M.

Mayor Best called the meeting to order. Council Members Bill Brown, Bennie Jones, Gerald Smith, Curtis Edwards, Paul Griggs, Gary Johnson and Jerry Davis were all present. City Manager Jones was absent and Assistant City Manager Artiffany Stanley sat in for him. Pastor Martin Brock gave the invocation that was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 19, 2018 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Jones and seconded by Councilman Davis to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS OVER \$3000

A motion was made by Councilman Johnson and was seconded by Councilman Edwards to approve the following bills. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.

APPROVAL OF PURCHASES OVER \$3,000

Assistant City Manager Stanley stated that there are no purchases for Council's consideration today.

PRESENTATION BY INTERIM DIRECTOR, BEVERLY BROWN, LAURENS COUNTY LIBRARY, ON CURRENT ACTIVITIES

Interim Director, Beverly Brown, thanked Mayor and Council for giving her the opportunity to come and give this presentation on the Laurens County Library activities for this last year. Ms. Brown went over the number of persons who visited and used the Library's facilities for a number of activities.

PRESENTATION BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE DUBLIN YOUTH COUNCIL ON CURRENT ACTIVITIES

Dublin Youth Council members, Jalicia McRae, Kamissha Miles, Davon Peacock, Sydney Price and Journie Guyton came forward to present to Mayor and Council the District 12 Champion award that they received at the 2017-2018 Secretary of State's Ambassador Award Program held in Atlanta on April 25th. They received this award for a number of activities that they participated in such as, Hugs for Houston Project, hosting Voting Rallies at Dublin High School and participating in the Mayor's Motorcade. Assistant City Manager Stanley commended the members of the Youth Council and also thanked Mayor and Council for their support of this program.

PRESENTATION BY MR. BENNIE BRIDGES AND OTHER LOCAL BUSINESS PEOPLE REGARDING COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Mr. Bennie Bridges, Curtis Whittington and Doug Ward expressed their concerns to Mayor and Council about recent break-ins at their businesses that are located on Marcus Street and Kellam Road area. Bennie Bridges who owns Bridges Electric, spoke on behalf of the business owners who have suffered due to an increase in burglaries in this area. Police Chief Chatman came to respond to these concerns and reported that they have a suspect that they are currently on the lookout for the recent burglaries. Mayor Best asked if there is a Business Watch, similar to the Neighborhood Watch, for this area and Chief Chatman said that there is a Business Watch available for any business owners. Mayor Best stated that along with Police Department and Chief Chatman, everything is being done and they will continue to fight burglaries and crimes in our community.

PRESENTATION BY MEMBERS OF THE NAACP

Mr. Kenny Walters, President of the local NAACP, came to express his concerns and commented on a recent event that was held at Theater Dublin last Thursday where a number of Confederate Flags were posted on the fence around Theater Dublin. A number of citizens were offended and stated that this is not the image we want to put out for the City of Dublin. He asked that Mayor and Council do anything they can to minimize that type of behavior. Mayor Best responded that this event was done under the Free Speech option and we will not allow anything to be hung on the fence in the future and the City doesn't agree with this type of activity and will do whatever can be done to prevent this type of activity in the future. Councilman Edwards stated that he didn't think anything was done under malicious intent, but it was bad judgement. Councilman Davis stated that this display was offensive to him personally and he hoped that a few people would not destroy the progress that has been made in our community.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

The Youth Council members, Sydney Price, Jاليا McRae, Kamissha Miles, Davon Peacock and Journie Guyton came forward to thank Mayor and Council and asked if it may be possible for the Youth Council to meet with Mayor and Council to discuss their support of the Youth Council program. Mayor Best asked Assistant City Manager Stanley to coordinate this meeting with the Youth Council.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Brown thanked everyone for coming and thanked everyone for their comments and wished everyone a wonderful weekend.

Councilman Davis thanked everyone for coming and thanked Ms. Beverly Brown, Mr. Bridges and the other businessmen and Kenny Walters and the NAACP for their presentations and comments.

Councilman Johnson thanked everyone for coming.

Councilman Griggs thanked everyone for coming and echoed all the other Councilmen's comments.

Councilman Edwards thanked everyone for coming and congratulated the Youth Council for the award they presented today and also thanked the business owners who came with their concerns.

Councilman Smith also echoed all the other comments and added congrats to the Youth Council and thanked everyone for coming.

Councilman Jones thanked everyone for coming and echoed all the previous comments, stated he is proud of the Youth Council and thanked Ms. Brown, the Business Owners and thanked Kenny Walters of the NAACP for his comments and thanked the community.

City Attorney Powell had no comments.

Wanda Carter, who was sitting in for Acting City Clerk Stanley, had no comments.

Assistant City Manager Stanley on behalf of Ms. Deborah Stanley invited everyone out to the Tire Amnesty Day on Saturday.

Councilman Jones added Happy Mother's Day.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Best adjourned the meeting at 6:14 P.M.