

City of Dublin

Pre-Council 5:00pm

Council 5:30pm

Council Meetings

Council Meeting Schedule

- **December 13, 2018:** The agenda includes the following:
 1. **Approval of November 15, 2018 City Council Meeting Minutes.**
 2. **Approval of bills over \$3000.**
 3. **Approval of purchases over \$3,000**
 4. **Second reading and Public Hearing of an ordinance to amend section 8.6 “Development Standards for R-5” of Appendix A “Zoning” of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Dublin to provide certain variances to the minimum area requirements for R-5, to impose additional conditions, and for other purposes.**
 5. **Second reading and Public Hearing of an ordinance to annex and incorporate into the municipality of The City of Dublin, Georgia .24 acres of land located at 2736 Highway 257, Land Lot 90 in the 1st land district of the 342nd G.M. District of Laurens County, Georgia, as B-2 (Highway Oriented Business) Zone.**
 6. **Second reading and Public Hearing of an ordinance to rezone 134.12 acres of land behind the 300 block of Parker Dairy Road known as Land Lot 258 and Land Lot 259 (Tracts 1, 2, and 3),**

Dublin, Georgia from R-4 (Multi-Family Residential) Zone to M-2 (General Industrial District) Zone.

- 7. Discussion and action on a contract for Courtware.**
- 8. Discussion and action on a contract with Tyler Technologies.**
- 9. Discussion and action on a resolution authorizing the execution of certain easements to the Georgia Power Company for the Jackson Street Plaza Project.**
- 10. Discussion and action on Board Appointments.**
- 11. Citizen comments.**
- 12. Council comments.**
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- 6. Discussion and action on a resolution approving the exercise of eminent domain concerning property for the River Walk Project.**
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- 8. Discussion and action on a resolution to establish a special Revenue Fund as “Police Other Programs Fund” ; to commit the funds of the K-9 Unit and miscellaneous checking account to the Police Other Programs Fund; and for other lawful purposes.**
- 9. Discussion and action on award of bid to Moye Electric Company for the SR19/US 80 at Springdale Road Signal Plan.**
- 10. Citizens comments.**
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Minutes from the November 15, 2018 City Council Meeting

**City Hall
Council Chamber
November 15, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Dublin City Hall on Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 6:15 P.M.

Mayor Phil Best called the meeting to order. Council members Bill Brown, Bennie Jones, Gerald Smith, Curtis Edwards, Paul Griggs, Garry Johnson, and Jerry Davis were present. Councilman Davis gave the invocation that was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

Council presented 10-year service pins to Tim Habersham of the Water Construction Department, Sgt. Michael Daniel of the Fire Department, Cpl. Allen Harris of the Police Department and Sgt. Brian Scott of the Police Department. Mayor Best and council thanked the employees for their service and dedication to the City of Dublin.

APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 1, 2018 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

A motion was made by Councilman Johnson and seconded by Councilman Brown to approve the minutes. The motion carried 7/0.

APPROVAL OF BILLS OVER \$3000

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

APPROVAL OF PURCHASES OVER \$3,000

There was one item for purchase:

Staff's recommendation was to purchase the SCBA, cylinders and face pieces from American Safety & Fire House for a total purchase price of \$130,000 for 20 SCBA harnesses, 40 cylinders and 34 face pieces. The Fire department received a grant from Department of Homeland Security in the amount of \$126,667 to assist with the purchase. The City's match will be \$3,333.00. Councilman Edwards made a

motion to approve the purchase and seconded by Councilman Davis. The motion carried 7/0.

SECOND READING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF AN ORDINANCE TO REZONE 134.12 ACRES OF LAND BEHIND THE 300 BLOCK OF PARKER DAIRY ROAD KNOWN AS LAND LOT 258 AND LAND LOT 259 (TRACTS 1, 2, AND 3), DUBLIN, GEORGIA FROM R-4 (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) ZONE TO M-2(GENERAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT) ZONE.

Mayor Best closed the council meeting and opened the public hearing. Will Curry on behalf of Oconee Holding Company requested that Council table the rezone request so that he, Councilman Jones, and Councilman Davis could reach out to the residents in the neighborhood. Libby Johnson spoke in opposition of the rezone. When she purchased her home in the neighborhood she was told that her lot would be a corner lot. She stated that the grass is not maintained and that if adding the solar panels to the area was going to raise her property taxes, she couldn't afford that. Karen Clayton also spoke in opposition, she is currently renting a home on Parker Dairy Rd. and wanted to know why her Councilman was the only one to inform her of the rezone. She also stated that she doesn't want additional traffic in that area. Bill George spoke with Mr. Curry about his concerns of flooding in the area if the landscaping is removed for the solar panels. Mr. Curry explained that the area was mostly planted pines that were previously cut down. The 20 acres for the solar panel array is on the Southeastern side on the property. With no further discussion Mayor Best closed the public hearing and opened the council meeting. A motion was made by Councilman Smith to table the rezone request until December 13, 2018. City Clerk Daniels called the role and the motion carried 7/0.

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 8.6 "DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR R-5" OF APPENDIX A "ZONING" OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DUBLIN TO PROVIDE FOR CERTAIN VARIANCES TO THE MINIMUM AREA REQUIREMENTS FOR R-5, TO IMPOSE ADDITIONAL CONDITIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

City Manager Jones read the ordinance and Mayor Best state that the second reading and public hearing will be held on December 13, 2018.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE EXERCISE OF EMINENT DOMAIN CONCERNING PROPERTY FOR THE RIVER WALK PROJECT.

City Manager Jones read the resolution and Mayor Best explained that typically this type of resolution doesn't require a public hearing, however Council gave the

owners an opportunity to speak. Chris Smith, son of Eugene Smith, stated that he had talked with several Roche Home and Garden employees and they stated that the River walk is never used, so why is the City wanting to take our property. The property has been in their family for more than 20 years. He stated that he feels the property was being judged from accidents that have previously occurred there. Smith also thanked the police department for working events.

Property owner, Eugene Smith, addressed Council about the urgency to take the property. He asked why the resolution didn't call for a first or second reading. He requested that Council table the resolution and allow the family to set down and negotiate. City Attorney Powell explained that the resolution was the first step to use eminent domain, and that it doesn't start a legal action. Councilman Davis stated that if Mr. Curry was allowed to table his second reading Council should be able to table this resolution. Councilman Jones expressed that the family should be able to set down and negotiate without the use of eminent domain. He also stated that the City didn't want bad PR, keep the issue in house and settle it. Councilman Jones made a motion to table the resolution to exercise eminent domain until 2019 and seconded by Councilman Davis. The motion carried 6/1 to table the resolution.

FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX AND INCORPORATE INTO THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE CITY OF DUBLIN, GEORGIA .24 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED AT 2736 HIGHWAY 257, LAND KOT 90 IN THE 1ST LAND DISTRICT OF THE 342TH G. M. DISTRICT OF LAURENS COUNTY, GEORGIA, AS B-2 (HIGHWAY ORIENTED BUSINESS) ZONE.

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DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH A SPECIAL REVENUE FUND DESCRIBED AS "POLICE OTHER PROGRAMS FUND"; TO COMMIT THE FUNDS OF THE K-9 UNIT AND MISCELLANEOUS CHECKING ACCOUNT TO THE POLICE OTHER PROGRAMS FUND; AND FOR OTHER LAWFUL PURPOSES.

City Manager Jones explained that the resolution will allow the City Clerk to establish a special revenue fund known as "Police Other Programs Fund" to commit the miscellaneous checking account and K-9 Unit of the police department. Councilman Brown made a motion to approve the resolution and seconded by Councilman Jones. The motion carried 7/0.

DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON AWARD OF BID TO MOYE ELECTRIC COMPANY FOR THE SR19/US80 AT SPRINGDALE ROAD SIGNAL PLAN.

City Manager Jones stated that two bids met the specification for the construction of a traffic signal at the intersection of US 80 and Springdale. The low bid, by

\$701.50 was Moye Electric Company, Inc. of Dublin, Ga. in the amount of \$184,687.50. This will be paid from T-Splost money. Staff's recommendation was to award the low bidder, Moye Electric. Councilman Brown made a motion to award Moye Electric the bid and seconded by Councilman Davis. The motion carried 7/0.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

City Manager Jones asked Bob Johnson of T. Lake Environmental to address Council on work that needs to be done downtown after Hurricane Michael came through. There were two trees damaged beyond saving and both trees are in area where irrigation and utilities are going to slow down the replacement process. The trees are located in front of the Exchange and the College. City Manager Jones stated that all trees in the downtown area need to be evaluated after the storm. Councilman Johnson asked if the replacement of the trees would qualify for the hurricane relief. City Manager Jones stated that the City would definitely put in for the assistance. Mayor Best asked if the trees have been surveyed in the last 10 years. The trees lasted until the Hurricane came through.

Georgia Military College thanked council for their support with the 2nd Annual Veterans Day parade. Thanked Councilman Jones for getting the National Guard to carry the American Flag and Councilman Smith for his presence at the parade.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Davis thanked everyone for coming. Thanked all the employees that received their service awards. Thanked all the citizens for coming out and voicing their concerns for what's going on in the City.

Councilman Johnson gave a report on the Dublin-Laurens Recreation Board recent hiring decision. As a member of the board we should take care of the best interest of the citizens of Dublin-Laurens County. A meeting will be held Friday, November 17, 2018 at 9:00 A.M. to allow citizens to voice their concerns of the recent hiring decision.

Councilman Griggs thanked everyone for coming and those that took part in voicing their opinions. Thanked the employees that received their service awards. Wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilman Edwards thanked everyone for coming. Congratulated the employees that received awards and thanked each of them for their dedication and hours of service to the City of Dublin. Thanked the citizens for coming out to voice their opinions. Also stated that he had much respect for Mr. Eugene Smith and his family and thanked them for coming to the meeting to voice their concerns.

Thanked the Police department for all they do and for the security. Congratulated the Fire department on the grant received.

Councilman Smith thanked everyone for coming and let's be thankful that everyone can gather together and discuss concerning issues. Reminded everyone to remember all the things to be thankful for.

Councilman Jones congratulated the employees that received their 10 years of service awards. Thanked the Georgia Military College for putting on the 2nd Annual Veterans Day Parade. Thanked the citizens for coming out and expressing their opinions. He encouraged all citizens to come out if they don't like something that is going on.

Councilman Brown thanked everyone for coming and congratulated the employees recognized for their service to the City.

City Attorney Powell no comments.

City Clerk Daniels had no comments.

City Manager Jones had no comments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Best adjourned the regular meeting at 7:16 P.M.