

# City of Dublin

Pre-Council 5:00pm

Council 5:30pm

## Council Meetings

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### Council Meeting Schedule

- **January 04, 2018:** The agenda includes the following:
  1. **Approval of December 14, 2017 City Council Meeting Minutes.**
  2. **Approval of bills over \$3000.**
  3. **Approval of purchases over \$3,000**
  4. **Appointment of Municipal Court Judge.**
  5. **Administration of the Oath of Office to the Municipal Court Judge.**
  6. **Appointment of the City Attorney.**
  7. **Discussion and action on approval of a contract with the City Attorney.**
  8. **Discussion and action on a resolution appointing the Prosecuting Attorney of the Municipal Court.**
  9. **Administration of the Oath of Office to the City Attorney.**
  10. **Administration of the Oath of Office to At Large Council Members.**

- 11. Election of Mayor Pro-Tem.**
- 12. Election of Chairman of the Council.**
- 13. Appointment of the Official Gazette.**
- 14. Second reading and Public Hearing of an Ordinance of annex 7.88 acres of land located at Churchwell Road and Mace Cannon Road as R3 (Multi-Family Residential) Zone.**
- 15. Discussion and action on a Resolution reducing the speed limit on North Decatur Street between Mary Street and Tennessee Street to twenty-five (25) miles per hour.**
- 16. Discussion and action on a contract with Judicial Alternatives of Georgia (JAG).**
- 17. Discussion and action on adoption of a resolution to approve signing of a contract with the Georgia Department of Transportation for local management of the Springdale Signal Project.**
- 18. Discussion and action on Board appointments.**
- 19. Citizens Comments.**
- 20. Council Comments.**
- 21. Adjournment to Executive Session to discuss personnel matters.**

- **December 14, 2017: The agenda includes the following:**
  - 1. Approval of November 02, 2017 City Council Meeting Minutes.**
  - 2. Approval of November 13, 2017 Special Called City Council Meeting Minutes.**
  - 3. Approval of bills over \$3000.**
  - 4. Approval of purchases over \$3,000**
  - 5. First reading of an ordinance to annex 7.88 acres of land located at Churchwell Road and Mace Cannon Road as R3 (Multi-Family Residential) Zone.**
  - 6. Discussion and action on a contract with Jack Sapp Engineering for Central State Hospital Project.**
  - 7. Discussion and action on acceptance of 2017 COPS Hiring Program Grant award.**
  - 8. Discussion and action on approval of a Language Access Plan for the 2017 CDBG.**
  - 9. Discussion and action on Board appointments.**
  - 10. Citizen comments.**
  - 11. Council comments.**
  - 12. Adjournment to Executive Session to discuss real estate.**

**13. Discussion and action on exchange or trade of real property with Black's Seed Store, Inc. for the Jackson Street Plaza Project.**

**14. Adjournment.**

## **Minutes from the December 14, 2017 City Council**

### **Meeting**

**City Hall  
December 14, 2017  
Council Chamber**

**The regular meeting of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council Chambers of the Dublin City Hall on Thursday, December 14, 2017 at 5:30 P.M.**

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

**APPROVAL OF November 2nd CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.**

**A motion was made by Council member Johnson and seconded by Council member Davis to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.**

**APPROVAL OF November 13th SPECIAL CALLED CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES.**

**A motion was made by Council member Brown and seconded by Council member Jones to approve the minutes. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.**

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

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

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

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

## **FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO ANNEX 7.88 ACRES OF LAND LOCATED AT CHURCHWELL ROAD AND MACE CANNON ROAD AS R3 (MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL) ZONE.**

**Mayor Best stated to Council that the second reading of a proposed amendment, of an ordinance to annex 7.88 acres of land located at Churchwell Road and Mace Cannon Road as R3 (Multi-family residential) zone, will be on January 4,2018. City Manager Jones performed the first reading.**

## **DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON A CONTRACT WITH JACK SAPP ENGINEERING FOR CENTRAL STATE HOSPITAL PROJECT.**

**City Manager Jones informed Council that there has been discussion about partnership to run the gas system of the Central State Hospital complex in Milledgeville for several years. Central State Hospital Local Redevelopment Authority (CSHLRA), are overseeing the rehabilitation of this State-owned facility. The target to have this deal ready for you to vote on in the January City Council meeting. Information is included in the meeting packet to update you on the progress with this project.**

**Mayor Best asks Council if anyone has any questions. Council member Johnson asks, "how much money do we stand to make?" City Manager Jones answers "it is hard to say, we project during the first year not withstanding capital expenditure we could make in the \$100,000.00 range in profit. We anticipate higher gas sale than current projections indicate.**

**A motion was made by Council member Jones and was seconded by Council member Smith, to approve the contract with Jack Sapp**

**Engineering for Central State Hospital Project. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.**

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ACCEPTANCE OF 2017 COPS HIRING PROGRAM GRANT AWARD.**

**City Manager Jones states; The City of Dublin has been awarded a COPS grant in the amount of \$500,000. over a three-year period to hire four new police officers. This will take our total officer positions from fifty-four (54) to fifty-eight (58). During this three-year period, we will have a required minimum 25% match of \$192,644. Attached is a memo from Deborah Stanley, containing the awards documents and a full breakdown of the staff cost estimate.**

**A motion was made by Council member Brown and was seconded by Council member Edwards, to acceptance of the 2017 COPS Hiring Program Grant Award. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.**

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPROVAL OF A LANGUAGE ACCESS PLAN FOR THE 2017 CDBG GRANT.**

**City Manager Jones informs Council that it is a requirement of the 2017 Housing CDBG grant. The City of Dublin is required to implement a plan to provide CDBG grant information to non- english speaking and english language learners. Deborah Stanley is available to answer any questions Council may have.**

**A motion was made by Council member Smith and was seconded by Council member Griggs , to approve a language access plan for the 2017 CDBG. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.**

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON BOARD APPOINTMENTS.**

**Mayor Best made the following 2018 City of Dublin Board appointments.**

**Library Board: Bernice Myers  
Laura Irwin**

**Dublin Recreation Authority:  
Cynthia Green  
Louie Curry, Jr.**

**Planning & Zoning Board:**

**Jeff Davis  
David Milo Smith  
Jerome Pullen**

**Zoning Appeals Board:**

**Tim Lake  
Nelson Carswell III**

**Housing Authority:**

**Ann Ford**

**Ethics Committee:**

**Fred Williams**

**Dublin-Laurens Land Bank Authority:**

**Brenda Smith  
Marlow Harris**

**A motion was made by Council member Davis and was seconded by Council member Brown, to approve the Board Appointments. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.**

**Mayor Best tables items #10 and #11, asks Council if anyone needs to go into Executive Session. No one answers. Mayor Best proceeds with item #13.**

**DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON EXCHANGE OR TRADE OF REAL PROPERTY WITH BLACK'S SEED STORE, INC. FOR THE JACKSON STREET PLAZA PROJECT.**

**Attorney Josh Powell informed that during the process of ascertaining which properties the City owned for the Jackson Street Plaza Project, it became clear that the City did not own all property in the alley way behind the main buildings along Jackson Street. A strip of property behind Black's Seed Store needs to be included. The owner of Black's will deed, to the City, two parcels shown on the plats attached; the tracks are labeled "Tract B and Tract C." In turn we agree to deed to Black's Seed Store "Tract E." All tracts have been appraised by David Gay and are of equal value. Pursuant to O.C.G.A. 36-37-6(c) we propose to make transfer of**

**“Tract E” to Black’s Seed Store, from the City of Dublin for the transfer of “Tract B and Tract C” to the City of Dublin from Black’s Seed Store.**

**A motion was made by Council member Brown and was seconded by Council member Smith, to approve an exchange or trade of real property with Black’s Seed Store, Inc. for the Jackson Street Plaza Project. The motion carried unanimously 7/0.**

### **CITIZENS COMMENTS**

**Patsy Cofield of 318 Duncan Street, Dublin, GA. 31021. She states that she moved to Dublin in 1949 and moved on Duncan Street in 1968 “so Dublin is my home.” This has been a concern for a while and I must say something. A week before Thanksgiving I brought my little Shih Tzu dog home; in five minutes I heard a raucous noise out on my ramp. I opened my door I saw two solid white pit bulls, one was female (Mrs. Cofield could see her breasts) and the other was a male. Mrs. Cofield stated that she also had two cats (stray cats that stayed on the porch – she made pets of them.) The female pit bull had the black cat in her mouth “when I screamed the female pit bull dropped the cat” The dog ran over the side of the ramp. My son and I went around to see if we could find the dog to take him to the veterinarian. The next morning Mrs. Cofield found the black dead. Mrs. Cofield told her neighbor that this terrible attack could have happened to her or her little Shih Tzu. Last Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, she placed her little Shih Tzu on the ramp near the chair where she is sitting checking the Shih Tzu for ticks and two Doberman Pinchers in my neighbors’ yard, approaching my ramp. I am very scared to sit on my own ramp or have my little dog outside for any reason. I called Mr. Griggs and said I need to come here tonight to have something done about this. These wild dogs could attack a child; children play out in the park and everywhere.**

**Mrs. Cofield suggests that we register all dogs in the City and fine anyone with an unleashed dog. Mrs. Cofield goes on to say “you all can do something about this, I can only speak out and tell what is happening.”**

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

**Council member Edwards: Thank everyone for coming. Sorry for what has happened to Mrs. Cofield; will get the Police Dept. to take care of this. We can address problems when know what the problems are.**



**Council member Smith: Thanked everyone for coming out. We just got through Thanksgiving but it is always time to give thanks.**

**Council member Jones: Thanked everyone for coming out. Thank Mrs. Cofield for bringing to the Council your concerns. I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

**Council member Brown: Thank you for your concerns, certainly they will be addressed. This is a wonderful time of the year, treasure it and spend time your family and friends. Merry Christmas to all.**

**Council member Davis: Thanked everyone for coming out. Appreciate the complaint Mrs. Cofield is giving. I know we can find a solution. Thank you to all the employees; they are doing a fine job. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.**

**Council member Johnson: Thank everybody for coming. Thank the employees for their work. Tiffany thank you for your work. We had a good time with our National League of Cities. City of Dublin is looking good with somethings and I look forward to next year. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

**Council member Griggs: Thanked all for coming; Mrs. Cofield I am sorry you when through what you did; we will be working on that I am sure. Wish Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

**City Clerk Ann Smith – Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

**City Attorney Powell - Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.**

**City Manager Jones – Thanked everyone for coming.**

**There being no further business, Mayor Best adjourned the meeting at 6:05 P.M.**

