



CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

Honorable Mayor Jason Lary, Sr.

Council Member Jimmy Clanton, Jr. – District 1

Council Member Rob Turner- District 2

Council Member Jazzmin Cobble – District 3

Council Member George Turner- District 4

Council Member Diane Adoma – District 5

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 11, 2019

7:00 p.m.

3120 Stonecrest Blvd. Suite 190

Stonecrest, Georgia

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Jason Lary
- II. **ROLL CALL:** All members were present
- III. **INVOCATION:** Dr. Jamal H. Bryant, Sr. Pastor, New Birth Baptist Church
- IV. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
- V. **ADOPTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL AGENDA:**

Councilman George Turner made a motion to accept the agenda with the following amendments:

- Adding to the agenda under New Business, Winston Denmark for consideration as a lobbyist for Stonecrest. Mayor Lary provided the second.
- George Turner made a motion to add Motel/Hotel tax to the agenda. Councilman Clanton provided the second.
- Councilman George Turner made a motion to add to the agenda the reapportionment of border properties. Councilman Clanton provided the second.
- Councilman George Turner made a motion to add to the agenda, the annexation of certain properties north of I-20. **The motions all carried unanimously.**

- VI. **MINUTES:** Deferred to the February 25th, 2019

Councilman George Turner made a motion to approve the deferral of the minutes to the February 25, 2019 meeting. Councilman Rob Turner provided the second. **The motion carried unanimously.**

- VII. PRESENTATION:** Mayor Lary presented Attorney Tom Kurrie with a plaque thanking him for his dedication and service to the City of Stonecrest.

Mayor Lary also acknowledged Darold Honore, former Mayor for the City of Lithonia; Joel Thibodaux, Internal Auditor; and Valerie and Glenn Morgan, publishers of the On Common Ground newspaper.

Dr. Barbara Lee and Ms. Vicky Turner asked for volunteer tutors as well as

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. Faye Coffield
2. Bernard Knight
3. Billie Gill Chestnut
4. Lynn Goodwin
5. Sharon Vincent
6. Erica Davis
7. Tammy Grimes
8. Cheryl Mathis

IX. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

1. 2019 Zoning Calendar
Michael Harris provided copies of both the Board of Appeals and Planning Commission 2019 calendars. Councilman Clanton motioned to approve the calendars. Councilman George Turner provided the second. **The motioned carried unanimously.**
2. Mauldin & Jenkins Agreement: Auditing Services
Councilwoman Adoma motioned to remove this item as a Consent Agenda. Councilman George Turner provided the second for the purpose of discussion. This item was moved from the Consent Agenda to Old Business.

Councilwoman Adoma requested a Roll Call Vote for the remainder of items.

X. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Purchasing Policy Amendment: 2nd Read –
Council Members Adoma, George Turner, Rob Turner and Cobble opposed Mayor Lary and Council Member Clanton voted to approve
The motioned failed.

2. Quicket Agreement
Mayor Lary motioned to defer to the February 25th meeting. Councilwoman Cobble provided the second. **The motion passed 5-1.** Councilwoman Adoma opposed.
3. SPLOST Committee
Councilman Clanton motioned to approve. Mayor Lary provided the second.
Mayor Lary added Councilman George Turner and Rob Turner to the committee.
George Turner stated that the Ex-Officio has been removed from the committee.
The motioned carried unanimously.
4. Arabia Mountain Overlay – 2nd Read
Councilman Clanton motioned to adopt Section 3.4.19. Councilwoman Cobble provided the second. **The motion carried unanimously.**
5. Short Term Vacation Rentals – 2nd Read
Nicole Dozier, Community Development Director presented the staff findings.
Councilman Rob Turner motioned to approve. Councilman George Turner provided the second. **The motion carried unanimously.**
6. Bates & Carter Agreement: Municipal Finance Services
Michael Harris, City Manager stated that this was discussed previously. Michael Harris stated that the agreement is a ten -month agreement at a fixed rate. Mr. Harris indicated that the Financial Director position would be appointed by Mayor and Council. Councilwoman Cobble stated that according to the Charter the Council would be responsible for appointing the Financial Director.
Mayor Lary motioned to approve. Councilman Rob Turner provided the second.
The motion carried 5-1. Councilwoman Adoma opposed.
7. SPLOST Program Management
8. Comprehensive Transportation Plan
Councilman George Turner combined the SPLOST Program Management and Comprehensive Transportation Plan for a motion. Councilman George Turner motioned to have legal counsel create a draft enforceable SPLOST Program Management service contract with Grice Consultant Inc. Councilwoman Adoma provided the second. **The motion carried 4-2. Mayor Lary and Councilman Clanton opposed.**
9. Mauldin & Jenkins Agreement: Auditing Services
Mayor Lary motioned to approve. Councilman George Turner provided the second.
The motion carried unanimously.

XI. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Chapter 7 – Building Code: 1st Read

Nicole Dozier presented the report stating that there was some language removed from the document.

Appointment of Winston Denmark as lobbyist for City of Stonecrest

2. Mayor Lary motioned to appoint Attorney Denmark as the lobbyist to represent the City of Stonecrest at the 2019 session. Councilman Rob Turner provided the second. **The motion carried unanimously.**

3. Hotel Motel Tax

Councilwoman Adoma motioned to have Attorney Denmark put together the legislative bill for the Hotel/Motel Tax. Councilman Rob Turner provided the second. **The motion carried unanimously.**

4. Parcel Correction

Councilman George Turner motioned to have Attorney Denmark prepare the legislative bill for the Parcel Correction. Councilwoman Adoma provided the second. **The motion carried unanimously.**

5. Annexation

Councilman George Turner motioned to have Attorney Denmark prepare the legislative bill for annexation. Councilwoman Adoma provided the second. **The motion carried unanimously.**

XII. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Michael Harris, City Manager – no comments

Attorney Denmark – Thanked the Mayor for having confidence in his work

Councilwoman Adoma thanked the citizens for their public comments

Councilman George Turner stated that there will be a Town Hall meeting District 4 at Big Miller Grove Baptist Church Fellowship Hall at 6:30 p.m. on February 21. The Center for Civil and Human Rights will be free of charge to the public until the end of the year. The DeKalb History Center will host a reception for the opening exhibit, “Deep Roots in DeKalb: The Flat Rock Story of Resilience,” on Thursday, Feb. 28, a reception will be held at 6 to 8 p.m. at the old courthouse in downtown Decatur.

Councilman Clanton – No comments

Councilman Rob Turner – No comments

Councilwoman Cobble – No comments

Mayor Lary – Expressed his disappointment with the Council members and their decision to approve Grice Consulting Inc.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Lary motioned to adjourn. Councilman Rob Turner provided the second. The meeting adjourned at 10 p.m.

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION: None requiredh

WHEN AN EXECUTIVE SESSION IS REQUIRED, ONE WILL BE CALLED FOR THE FOLLOWING ISSUES: 1) PERSONNEL, 2) LITIGATION, 3) REAL ESTATE