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COUNCIL MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

Holt-Bishop Justice Center, Municipal Courtroom, 101 Main Street
Tuesday, October 3, 2017 | 6:00 pm

Meeting Call to Order (Mayor Jeff Reese)

Mayor Jeff Reese called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Present: Mayor Jeff Reese, Mayor Pro Tem Leslie McPherson, Verland Best, Danny Carter, Gil McDougal, City Manager Tom Barber, City Attorney David Mecklin, City Clerk Alisa Doyal, Parks & Recreation Director Vicki Coleman, Chief Michael Mansour. Councilwoman Shirley Marchman was absent.

Invocation (Councilman Leslie McPherson)

Councilwoman Leslie McPherson led the Invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance (Mayor Jeff Reese)

Mayor Jeff Reese led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Ceremonial Presentations (Mayor & Council)

The following city employees were recognized:

- Robert Francis – 5 Years of Service
- Shelly Frost – 20 Years of Service
- Doyle Bolden – 20 Years of Service
- Erin Sims – Class 1 Water Operator License

Adoption of the Agenda (Mayor Jeff Reese)

Mayor Jeff Reese requested the Council to approve the addition of the Old Head Start as Item #A2.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Verland Best, Councilman
SECONDER:	Danny Carter, Councilman
AYES:	Best, Carter, McDougal, McPherson,

Council Updates (Subjects of General Interest and Concern)

Councilwoman Leslie McPherson expressed her concern of the weekly Farmer's Market and how better turnout is needed to support the vendors. Mayor Jeff Reese reminded everyone that the Senior Tax Exemption is on the ballot for the Council Election on November 8, 2017.

Public Comment (We ask that you sign in for Public Comment before the meeting begins. Please state your Name and Address for the record and limit your comments to three minutes)

Five citizens came forward to make a public comment.

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda is a single item that encompasses all things the City Council would normally approve with little comment. Each of these items were discussed at the Thursday, September 28, 2017 Council Work Session, and it was the unanimous consensus of the Governing Body to place the following items on the Consent Agenda.

1. ADD NEW POSITION FOR IT COORDINATOR: Approval to add an IT Coordinator position to the City's payroll.
2. ADD NEW POSITION FOR BUILDING INSPECTOR: Approval to add a Building Inspector position to the City's payroll.
3. EMERGENCY PURCHASES OVER \$10,000: Replace two (2) failed lift station pumps to avoid spills and loss of customer service.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Danny Carter, Councilman
SECONDER:	Gil McDougal, Councilman
AYES:	Carter, McDougal, Best, McPherson

A. Governing Body (Mayor Jeff Reese)

1. MEETING MINUTES: Review of meeting minutes
 - a. Monthly Meeting of September 5, 2017
 - b. Special Called Meeting of September 22, 2017

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Leslie McPherson, Councilwoman
SECONDER:	Danny Carter, Councilman
AYES:	McPherson, Carter, McDougal, Best

2. HEAD START BUILDING: Discussion of the Head Start Building
This was a discussion item only. No action was required.

C. Community Development (Tom Barber)

1. VA-04-17: VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEAN P. SHEA, D.R. HORTON, INC: Request from Sean P. Shea, D.R. Horton, Inc. for the approval of a variance for the purpose of reducing buffer requirements for Lot Nos 36, 37, and 38 in Northwoods at Mirror Lake. No Public Hearing was required.
2. VA-05-17: VARIANCE REQUEST FROM SEAN P. SHEA, D.R. HORTON, INC: Request from Sean P. Shea, D.R. Horton, Inc. for approval of a variance for the purpose of reducing buffer requirements for Lot Nos 26, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, and 37 within Southwoods Mirror Lake.

Items C1 & C2 were removed from the agenda because the legal determination made by City Attorney David Mecklin was that they already had vested rights to follow the 2004 approval of the final plat. The city ordinance establishing the buffer requirements changed in 2006 after the property was platted which created a grandfathered condition. Therefore, the applicant has the right to do their requests.

3. ABL-06-17: ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE FOR LUTHER'S BISTRO: Approval to allow applicant to pour wine and malt beverages at Luther's Bistro, 901 S. Carroll Road, Suite 101, Villa Rica, Georgia. Public Hearing: No one came forward to speak for or against.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Gil McDougal, Councilman
SECONDER:	Verland Best, Councilman
AYES:	McDougal, Best, Carter, McPherson

D. Police (Chief Michael Mansour)

1. PURCHASE OF VEHICLES FOR POLICE DETECTIVES: Approval for the purchase of vehicles for the Police Department Detectives.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Danny Carter, Councilman
SECONDER:	Leslie McPherson, Councilwoman
AYES:	Carter, McPherson, Best, McDougal

E. Parks, Recreation & Leisure Services (Vicki Coleman, Director)

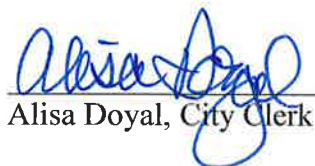
1. NUGGET DROP FIREWORKS DISPLAY CONTRACTOR RECOMMENDATION: Approval of J & M Displays as the fireworks contractor for the Nugget Drop on December 31, 2017.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Gil McDougal, Councilman
SECONDER:	Danny Carter, Councilman
AYES:	McDougal, Carter, Best, McPherson

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

RESULT:	ADOPTED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER:	Danny Carter, Councilman
SECONDER:	Gil McDougal, Councilman
AYES:	Carter, McDougal, Best, McPherson


Jeff Reese, Mayor


Alisa Doyal, City Clerk