

**City of Tifton**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**July 1, 2013**  
**5:00 PM**  
**Municipal Courtroom**

**ATTENDEES**

J.G. "Jamie" Cater, Jr. Mayor  
Johnny Terrell, Vice Mayor  
Marianna Keesee, Council Member  
Chris Parrott, Council Member  
Julie Smith, Council Member

Larry Riner, City Manager  
Rona Martin, City Clerk  
Rob Wilmot, City Attorney

**PUBLIC HEARING FOR BLANKET REZONING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CURRENT LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE (ZA13-000-003)**

Rob Wilmot, City Attorney, mentioned the Public Hearing was being held to receive public input for the proposed map amendments and rezoning in conjunction with the Land Development Code. Bert Crowe mentioned the city developed and approved the new Land Development Code in 2012. Bert mentioned because of the changes in the Land Development Code some areas of the city needed to be rezoned to classify the properties in the correct zone for their use. Bert mentioned this would be the second blanket rezone since the Land Development Code was adopted and the proposed map amendments were approved unanimously by the Planning and Zoning Board. Rob Wilmot opened the hearing up for the public to speak on the map amendments. No one spoke. Public hearing was closed.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Cater called the meeting to order at approximately 5: 04 pm

**PRAYER AND PLEDGE**

Mayor Cater led the prayer and pledge

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Council Member Parrott made the first motion for approval of the agenda, seconded by Council Member Terrell, and unanimously carried by all members present.

**BILL MARSH OF COLONY BANK REGARDING PROJECT AT 2<sup>ND</sup> & CENTRAL**

Bill Marsh, President of Colony Bank in Tifton came before the council to ask for support of their project to build a new branch office on the property where the old ice house currently stands, at the corner of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street and Central Avenue. Mayor Cater mentioned Mr. Marsh had received a letter from the Department of Natural Resources – Historical Preservation Commission denying their plans to demo the current building because it is listed on the National Historic Register. Mr. Marsh mentioned that there is an appeal process they have to go through because their plans have been determined to have an adverse affect on the property and building. Mr. Marsh mentioned he did not feel tearing down the structure would have an adverse affect on the property. He mentioned if the project doesn't move forward the property will remain in its current condition and vacant. Mr. Marsh stated the appeal process requires a letter or resolution from the governing body in support of the project and plans for the property. Council Member Julie Smith made the first motion to adopt a resolution supporting Colony Bank's plans for the Ice House Property in consideration of the HPC's approval of their COA. Council Member Parrott seconded the motion, and unanimously carried by all members present.

## **EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH PRESENTATION – JUDY DORMINEY**

Mayor Cater and Bert Crowe, Environmental Management Director, presented Judy Dorminey with a certificate honoring her as Employee of the Month for June 2013. Bert Crowe mentioned Judy was very instrumental in getting his department up and going, which started from scratch just over a year ago. Bert also stated that Ms. Judy Dorminey is a very dedicated employee, works great with the public as well as co-workers, and is an asset to his department.

## **CITIZEN INPUT**

Hayward Fowler: Mr. Fowler commended the council for their recent teamwork in coming together to adopt the budget and millage rate. Mr. Fowler stated he knew it was a tough decision, but he felt the council made the right decision. Mr. Fowler mentioned he was very proud of all the council members and wanted to give them a pat on the back for a job well done.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Approval of the minutes from: June 3<sup>rd</sup> Regular Meeting, June 13<sup>th</sup> Budget Presentation, June 19<sup>th</sup> Workshop, June 20<sup>th</sup> Noon Public Hearing, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 pm Public Hearing, Regular Workshop and 6:30 pm Public Hearing, and the June 26<sup>th</sup> Called Workshop. Council Member Smith made the first motion for approval of the minutes as presented, seconded by Council Member Keesee, and unanimously carried by all members present.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Council Member Keesee moved, seconded by Council Member Parrott, and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda as follows:

2. Award of Bid for Myon Rehabilitation Project to Anderson Construction Company
3. Resolution providing for Policies & Procedures for CDBG Property Easement Acquisition
4. Resolution providing for Notice of Election
5. Resolution providing for Alcoholic Beverage License for A-1 Food Mart located at 1005 E. 12<sup>th</sup> Street
6. Resolution providing for Alcoholic Beverage License for Taqueria “Del Sol” Restaurant located at 728 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Street
7. Resolution providing for Alcoholic Beverage License for Sam’s Grocery & Grill located at 1405 Hwy 41 North
8. Resolution providing for Alcoholic Beverage License for Verona’s Italian Restaurant & Pizzeria located at 212 Main Street
9. Ordinance providing for use of Motorized Carts

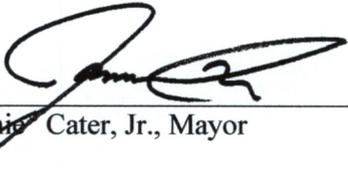
## **ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING POLICIES & PROCEDURES FOR UNSAFE DWELLINGS, BUILDINGS, STRUCTURES, OR PROPERTIES**

City Attorney Rob Wilmot mentioned that the proposed ordinance is updating the procedures for hearings and establishment of tax liens on properties which are considered unsafe or unsanitary. Mr. Wilmot stated the new procedural hearing will be heard by the Municipal Court Judge instead of the City Manager. He further mentioned that the state law has changed since the previous ordinance was adopted and this ordinance brings our code up to date with state law. Council Member Keesee made the first motion to adopt the ordinance, Council Member Parrott second, motion passed unanimously by all members present.

**ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR MAP AMENDMENTS IN KEEPING WITH THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE**

Council Member Marianna Keesee made the first motion to adopt the ordinance, seconded by Council Member Parrott, and unanimously carried by all members present.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting was adjourned.



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J.G. "Jamie" Cater, Jr., Mayor



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Jessica Jones, Deputy Clerk