

COUNCIL PRESENT: Dunagan, Wangemann, Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner  
STAFF PRESENT: Padgett, Sheppard, Palmour, Jordan

Mayor Dunagan called the meeting to order.

**PUBLIC SAFETY ISSUES:**

**Project Resolution: U. S. Department of Justice Byrne Justice Assistance Grant Acceptance 2012**

Major Paul Sherman stated the proposed resolution authorized the acceptance of \$11,288 in grant funds to purchase a mobile video recording system. The grant did not require a cash match.

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**COMMUNICATION AND TOURISM ISSUE:**

**Georgia B.A.S.S. Federation Nation Tournament**

Tourism and Trade Manager Deb Gregson provide a report about the Georgia B.A.S.S. Federation Nation Tournament indicating there would be over 200 guest/fishermen in attendance. She shared details of the event to be held at Laurel Park.

**PUBLIC UTILITIES ISSUES:**

**Project Resolution: Grelove, LLC., Sanitary Sewer Extension Request**

Civil Engineer Nick Swafford stated the department was approached by a private developer to participate in a sanitary sewer extension along Athens Highway.

City Manager Kip Padgett confirmed the property was annexed into the city recently.

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**CITY MANAGER'S ISSUES:**

**Olympic Venue Meeting**

City Manager Padgett stated the meeting regarding the Olympic Venue went well. More information will be provided at a later date.

**Chicopee Woods Fencing Project**

City Manager Padgett reported receiving an email regarding the fencing project at Chicopee Woods indicating some residents in The Village don't want the fence.

**COUNCIL ISSUES:**

**Council Member Figueras**

1. Commented on the Fair Street School Construction Project.
2. Received a letter from Ed Rigel commending the Fire Department.
3. Reported The One Community Organization (TOCO) a/k/a Second Saturday Meeting attendees asked that Council Members from all wards consider attending future meetings.
4. Distributed information to the City Manager about the National League of Cities emphasizing the use of an emergency fund to assist people.
5. Asked Council to suggest locations for the Newtown Florist Club to hold the Annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration.

**Council Member Wangemann**

Expressed concern about the decreased number of jobs and felt local governments have responsibility for creation/retention of jobs within their community. He also expressed a desire to create a list of things that can be done to be friendlier to businesses.

**Council Member Hamrick**

Reported local talent would be performing at the Jingle Mingle event.

**Mayor Dunagan**

Asked Council to consider adding Veteran's Day as a scheduled holiday for city employees.

**CITY CLERK ISSUES:**

**Pawnshop Ordinance**

City Clerk Denise Jordan reported the proposed Pawnshop Ordinance was amended to include the following statement in Section 16-1-5: "It is not the intent of this Chapter to regulate second hand dealers of property where no pawn transaction occurs."

**Appointments**

City Clerk Denise Jordan reported appointments to be addressed on the Planning and Appeals Board and the Friends of the Parks Board.

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**ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER ISSUE:**

**Sponsoring Children for Christmas**

Assistant City Manager Angela Sheppard stated the Council sponsored children last year in lieu of a staff gift exchange. She asked if Council wanted to take the same approach this year indicating she had obtained some information from Gainesville Action Ministries.

Council agreed to sponsor children for Christmas.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

City Manager Kip Padgett requested an Executive Session to discuss litigation, personnel and real estate matters.

**Motion to close the Work Session to enter an Executive Session to discuss litigation, personnel and real estate matters at 9:31 AM.**

Motion made by Council Member Hamrick

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

**Votes favoring the motion: Dunagan, Wangemann, Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner**

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**Motion to close the Executive Session and adjourn the meeting at 11:52 AM.**

Motion made by Council Member Hamrick

Motion seconded by Council Member Wangemann

**Votes favoring the motion: Dunagan, Wangemann, Hamrick, Figueras, Bruner**

**ADJOURNMENT: 11:52 AM**

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