



CITY OF PORT WENTWORTH

CITY COUNCIL

JULY 27, 2017

Council Meeting Room

Regular Meeting

7:00 PM

305 SOUTH COASTAL HIGHWAY
PORT WENTWORTH, GA 31407

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order.

2. PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Bright led in prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL - CLERK OF COUNCIL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Glenn Jones	Mayor	Present	
Jud Bowers	Council Member	Present	
Bill Herrin	Council Member	Present	
Barbara Powers	Council Member	Present	
Debbie Johnson	Council Member	Present	
Thomas Barbee	Council Member	Present	
Paul Fox	Council Member	Present	
Phillip Claxton	City Administrator	Present	
Shanta Scarborough	Clerk of Council	Present	
Rebekah Reddish	Director of Administrative Services	Present	
Brian Harvey	Director of Development Services	Present	
Tiffany Lancaster	Director of Leisure Services	Present	
Jimmy Stewart	Wastewater Treatment Manager	Present	
Matt Libby	Director of Public Safety	Present	
Bradwick Sherrod	Public Safety	Present	
David Stahl	Fire Department	Present	
Elizabeth Pavlis	City Attorney	Present	

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Council Member Bill Herrin made a motion to approve the agenda with the following additions/deletions; move Item D under the Consent Agenda to Item C under New Business. Seconded by Council Member Jud Bowers. Vote was unanimous.

5. RECOGNITION OF SPECIAL GUESTS

Mayor Jones presented a plaque to Roger Fields to congratulate him on his retirement for 30 years of service. The Mayor stated that the wording "hardwork and dedication" as shown on the plaque was in fact true and that he would surely be missed. Brian Harvey, Director of Development Services, asked Mr. Fields if he was enjoying his retirement thus far and also stated that he would be missed.

Russell Bridges, of the Chatham County Board of Elections, detailed information regarding creating a 3rd precinct and polling location on the North end of Port Wentworth.

6. ELECTIONS & APPOINTMENTS

There were none to report.

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- A. City Council - Regular Meeting - Jun 22, 2017 7:00 PM

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Herrin, Council Member
SECONDER:	Paul Fox, Council Member
AYES:	Jones, Bowers, Herrin, Powers, Johnson, Barbee, Fox

- B. Executive Session - June 22, 2017

Council Member Bill Herrin made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2017 Executive Session. Seconded by Council Member Paul Fox. Vote was unanimous.

8. COMMUNICATIONS & PETITIONS

- A. Redina Thomas Book Project Presentation

Redina Thomas, 95 Lakeshore Blvd, addressed Mayor and Council to discuss her new book titled "Soul Source". Ms. Thomas stated that the book was written by her and twenty-two (22) other women. The particular chapter that she wrote, "Fear Don't Live Here Anymore!", discusses diligence, love and faith. Ms. Thomas went on to further say that the book was inspired by her limited education and bout with domestic violence. She feels that God is using her to fly above the storms of pain and hurt and that her final road is purpose. For more information, find her on Facebook-Redina Fort Thomas, or visit her webpage www.redinathornothomas.weebly.com.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Herrin, Council Member
SECONDER:	Jud Bowers, Council Member
AYES:	Jones, Bowers, Herrin, Powers, Johnson, Barbee, Fox

9. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Committee Reports

Council Member Bill Herrin made a motion to dispense with the reading of the Committee Reports and make them part of the minutes. Seconded by Council Member Jud Bowers. Vote was unanimous.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Herrin, Council Member
SECONDER:	Jud Bowers, Council Member
AYES:	Jones, Bowers, Herrin, Powers, Johnson, Barbee, Fox

10. CONSENT AGENDA

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Bill Herrin, Council Member
SECONDER:	Thomas Barbee, Council Member
AYES:	Jones, Bowers, Herrin, Powers, Johnson, Barbee, Fox

- A. Pay Request #2 from Griffin Contracting, Inc., in the Amount of \$95,926.01 for the Sandy Point Way Paving Project

- B. Change Order No. 1 from Griffin Contracting, Inc., in the Amount of \$-7,247.32 for the Sandy Point Way Paving Project.
- C. Influent Trough Coating Project Change Order

11. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There were none to report.

12. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Tams Entertainment Agreement for Stand Up For America Day 2018
Council Member Jud Bowers stated that the Tams performed in Richmond Hill, Georgia in July and that the group did a wonderful job.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Bill Herrin, Council Member
SECONDER: Jud Bowers, Council Member
AYES: Jones, Bowers, Herrin, Powers, Johnson, Barbee, Fox

- B. Fun Time Agreement for Stand Up For America Day 2018

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Bill Herrin, Council Member
SECONDER: Debbie Johnson, Council Member
AYES: Jones, Bowers, Herrin, Powers, Johnson, Barbee, Fox

- C. Site Plan Review Application submitted by Evar Bennett, Hussey, Gay, & Bell, on the behalf of P.H. Transfer Company for PIN #'s 7-0019-01-003 and 7-0019-01-004 (419 Grange Road) for a Specific Development Plan to allow a new office building at an existing truck transfer station development in a P-I-2 (Planned Industrial) Zoning District

CJ Chance, of Hussey Gay Bell, gave a brief explanation of the site changes by stating that the existing office building would be moved to the front and where the current office is situated would be more storage. Mr. Chance also stated that they are waiting on approval from the County Health Department regarding the water system. Council Member Jud Bowers asked if the office hours would change? Mr. Chance stated that he was not sure, but that they are still looking to open around 8:00 a.m.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jud Bowers, Council Member
SECONDER: Bill Herrin, Council Member
AYES: Jones, Bowers, Herrin, Powers, Johnson, Barbee, Fox

13. RESOLUTIONS/ORDINANCES/PROCLAMATIONS

- A. Resolution No. 17-04 Georgia Fund I - Authorize Investment

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Bill Herrin, Council Member
SECONDER: Barbara Powers, Council Member
AYES: Jones, Bowers, Herrin, Powers, Johnson, Barbee, Fox

- B. Ordinance No. 17-15, Budget Adjustment FY17, First Reading

Council Member Thomas Barbee called for a correction to the amount of \$40,000.00 to be changed to \$43,000.00 as shown on the Savannah Consumption Policy Paper.

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Bill Herrin, Council Member
SECONDER: Barbara Powers, Council Member
AYES: Jones, Bowers, Herrin, Powers, Johnson, Barbee, Fox

- C. Ordinance No. 17-15, Budget Adjustment FY17, Second Reading

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Bill Herrin, Council Member
SECONDER: Paul Fox, Council Member
AYES: Jones, Bowers, Herrin, Powers, Johnson, Barbee, Fox

- D. Ordinance No. 17-16, Budget Adjustment FY18, First Reading

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Bill Herrin, Council Member
SECONDER: Paul Fox, Council Member
AYES: Jones, Bowers, Herrin, Powers, Johnson, Barbee, Fox

- E. Ordinance No. 17-16, Budget Adjustment FY18, Second Reading

RESULT: **APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]**
MOVER: Bill Herrin, Council Member
SECONDER: Barbara Powers, Council Member
AYES: Jones, Bowers, Herrin, Powers, Johnson, Barbee, Fox

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council Member Paul Fox made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session for the purpose of pending litigation and property acquisition. Seconded by Council Member Bill Herrin. Vote was unanimous.

15. PUBLIC COMMENTS - REGISTERED SPEAKERS

Sharilyn Dyal, 20 Noble Jones Court, addressed Mayor and Council regarding problems with semi-trucks and solicitors. Ms. Dyal stated that although signs are posted which state "No Illegal Parking" this request is often being violated. As a result, she requested that more Police Officers patrol the area to help enforce this rule and to try and deter the door-to-door solicitation. City Administrator, Phillip Claxton, suggested that each resident post a "No Soliciting" sign by their front door. Mayor Jones recommended contacting the Police for all illegally parked vehicles and unwanted solicitation.

Doug Tomlinson, 222 Phillips Avenue, addressed Mayor and Council regarding the issue of the newly installed LED Lights not being bright enough and barely visible at night. Major Jones stated that the City is in discussion with Georgia Power regarding this matter and will continue to discuss the issue until a solution is reached.

Gary Cubbedge, 219 Aberfeldy Street, addressed Mayor and Council to thank the staff of City Hall staff and Public Services for the job well done addressing his concerns with a broken water meter and adjusting his water bill to reflect his typical usage.

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council Member Bill Herrin made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Paul Fox. Vote was unanimous.

Mayor G. Glenn Jones

The foregoing minutes are true and correct and approved by me on this _____ day of _____, 2017.

ATTEST:

Shanta M. Scarboro, Clerk of Council

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