

Minutes
Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council
City of Chattahoochee Hills, Georgia
December 12, 2017 / 6:30 p.m.

Call to Order

Mayor Reed called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Councilmembers in attendance were Richard Schmidt, Claire Williams, Faye Godwin, and Don Hayes. Councilmember James Stephens was absent. Also present was City Attorney Rick Lindsey.

Mayor Reed introduced Keionya Edwards, who was serving as honorary Mayor for the Day for winning first place in the Time Capsule Youth Essay Contest.

Honorary Mayor Keionya Edwards led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Review and Approval of Agenda

Mayor Reed requested that the agenda be amended as follows:

- 1. Add Mayor for the Day Keionya Edwards proclamation.*
- 2. Add Greatest Team Parents Keion D. Edwards Sr. and Felicia M. Knight proclamation*

Councilmember Schmidt made a motion to approve the agenda as amended.

Councilmember Godwin seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

- 1. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 14, 2017*

Councilmember Godwin made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 14, 2017. Councilmember Hayes seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Presentations/Proclamations

- 1. Mayor for the Day Keionya Edwards proclamation
Mayor Reed read a proclamation naming Keionya Edwards as the ceremonial Mayor for a Day for December 12, 2017.*
- 2. Greatest Team Parents Keion D. Edwards Sr. and Felicia M. Knight proclamation
Honorary Mayor Keionya Edwards read a proclamation recognizing her parents, Keion D. Edwards Sr. and Felicia M. Knight as the "Greatest TeamParents for the City of Chattahoochee Hills".*
- 3. Santa and Mrs. Claus proclamation
Mayor Reed read a proclamation recognizing Charles L. "Bud" Chaffin and Susan Chaffin for their service to the community as acting Santa and Mrs. Claus at the city's annual Christmas tree lighting for the past ten years.*
- 4. Poll Work Volunteers proclamation
Mayor Reed read a proclamation recognizing Ruby Foster, Anita McGinnis, Kerri*

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Adkins, Renee Prince, Danette Coscia, Lynn Dasher, and City Clerk Dana Wicher for their service as poll workers on election day.

Staff Reports

Financial Update: City Manager Robbie Rokovitz

Mr. Rokovitz said it has been a pleasure working for Councilmember Godwin as City Manager. He reported the city is 42 percent through the fiscal year as of November 30th and has collected 63 percent of revenues. Expenditures are 36.5 percent, not including capital expenditures.

Fire Department Report: Greg Brett

Chief Brett reported there have been 523 incidents to date for 2017. Free smoke detectors are available through "Operation Sav-A-Life. The LifePak 15 cardiac monitor has been received and placed into service. The Patient Transport Services request for proposal has been drafted by Fulton County. He also commented on his work with Public Works Director during the recent snowstorm. He expects the Transport Capable Medical Response Unit to be delivered after the first of the year.

Police Department Report: Stoney Mathis

Chief Mathis reported there were a significant number of investigations in the month of November – two identify fraud, one financial transaction card theft, one terroristic threats, one death, one runaway juvenile, one theft of services, and one criminal trespass investigation. The cradle point devices trial and evaluation period was completed and a communications tower at city hall should eliminate all connectivity issues. Other items to note include completion of an internal investigation, repairs performed on damaged weapons, and the purchase and installation of two new in-car laptops. Officer Digou attended training at GPSTC, and the department hosted a Radar Class taught by Officer Pearson. Other statistics for September were 165 citations, 151 warnings, 49 parking citations, 15 arrests, 186 dispatched calls, and 101 reports.

Public Works/Parks Report: Darold Wendlandt

Darold Wendlandt reported that grading on Hamilton Road was almost done and that weather had been an issue. He said staff is finding a great deal of trash along many of the roads. He will continue to run the right-of-way crew during the winter months. His staff went above and beyond to get Hutcheson Ferry Park ready for the 10-year anniversary celebration. There was a 10k/15k trail race at Cochran Mill Park in November, and he received many compliments about the park from the participants. He said the volunteers have done a great job in the park. He complimented Fire Chief Greg Brett on his help during the recent storm. Staff put out 432 pounds of salt and scraped all the major roads.

Community Development: Mike Morton

Mr. Morton reported there were two new house permits and eight permits overall issued in November. Three Certificates of Occupancy were issued, and 80 inspections

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conducted. A production event will be taking place on Sunday, December 17th. A portion of Cochran Mill Road will be closed during the filming. An application for annexation of land in Coweta County adjacent to Serenbe has been received.

Public Comment

Rodney Peek, 10685 Hutcheson Ferry Road – said he is proud of the city and the parks. He also thanked Public Safety for their response to a recent incident involving a family member. He also commented on Faye Godwin’s service as a councilmember. He said the city was like a blank piece of paper when it formed and it has come so far.

John Taylor, 9305 Wilkerson Mill Road – thanked the staff for their work. He also said he first met Faye Godwin when the city incorporated in December 2007. He said there are two kinds of people – there are players and there are fans. Faye Godwin is a player.

Renee Prince, 13015 Hamilton Road – thanked the public works staff for their work on Hamilton Road and thanked the Fire Department and Chief Brett for their help during a recent medical emergency that she had. She thanked the Mayor and Council and said Councilmember Godwin will be missed.

Jaqueline Canyon-Hall, 5075 River Road – thanked the police department for monitoring her street after suspicious activity was reported. She also asked if the city has equipment and road treatment chemicals stored for handling icy roads. Public Works Director answered that the motorgrader and salt are stored at city hall.

Public Hearings

City Attorney Rick Lindsey read the rules for the Public Hearings.

- 1. Item 17-923:** Public Hearing and Action to consider an application for a Full Pouring Alcohol Beverage License – Distilled Spirits, Wine, and Malt Beverages. The name in which the license is to be issued – Yumi Sushi, Inc. /Licensee – Mark Nelson. The location of the business – 9117 Selborne Lane, Chattahoochee Hills, GA.

Mayor Reed opened the Public Hearing.

City Clerk Dana Wicher presented the item. The applicant was granted a full pouring license in 2016 but never opened the business. He has applied again for a license to be effective January 1, 2018. The application has been reviewed and approved by staff. He has paid the administrative fees and has requested that the Council apply the license fee he paid in 2016 to apply to the new license.

Mark Nelson (applicant) spoke in favor of the application. He said the opening of the business was due to delays with the Fulton County Environmental Health Department and requested that the license fee paid in 2016 be applied to 2018.

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Mayor Reed closed the Public Hearing. Councilmember Godwin made a motion to approve Item No. 17-923 with the license fee paid in 2016 to be applied to the 2018 license. Councilmember Williams seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- 2. Item 17-924:** Public Hearing and Action to consider an application for a Full Pouring Alcohol Beverage License – Distilled Spirits, Wine, and Malt Beverages. The name in which the license is to be issued –The Hil at Serenbe, LLC /Licensee – Garnie Nygren. The location of the business – 9110 Selborne Lane, Suite 110, Chattahoochee Hills, GA. *Mayor Reed opened the Public Hearing.*

City Clerk Dana Wicher presented the item. The application is for an ownership change of an existing license effective January 1, 2018. The application has been reviewed and approved by staff. The applicant was present at the meeting and available to answer any questions.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Reed closed the Public Hearing. Councilmember Hayes made a motion to approve Item No. 17-924. Councilmember Williams seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business

- 1. Item 17-920:** Resolution authorizing the acceptance of the terms and conditions of the RTP Grant of \$100,000 from Georgia DNR for Cochran Mill Park.

Parks Commission Chair Diana Wilson presented the item. The item is for the 2015 Recreational Trails Program grant which includes placing a prefab bridge inside the existing bridge at Cochran Mill Park and improving Upper Wooten Road where it connects Cochran Mill Park and Rico Park. Councilmember Williams made a motion to approve Item No. 17-920. Councilmember Godwin seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business

- 1. Item 17-925:** Resolution naming the city park property around the Beavers House in old Campbellton.

Parks Commission Chair Diana Wilson presented the item. The top three names were compiled from community surveys and placed on a ballot. Campbellton Park received the most votes. The Parks Commission voted to recommend to the Council that the property be named Campbellton Park. Councilmember Godwin made a motion to approve Item No. 17-925. Councilmember Schmidt seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- 2. Item 17-926:** Resolution to submit an application to the Georgia Department of Natural Resources' Recreational Trails Program in order to develop a Water Trail and trailhead at Campbellton Park.

Parks Commission Chair Diana Wilson presented the item. The application is for a \$200,000 grant that would allow funds to be used for a non-motorized boat launch into the Chattahoochee River at Campbellton Park. There is a \$50,000 match that

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could be met with in-kind matching. Councilmember Godwin made a motion approve Item No. 17-926. Councilmember Williams seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Item 17-927: Resolution adopting the 2018 Meeting Schedule.
City Clerk Dana Wicher presented the item. There are several non-standard meeting dates do to holidays and other scheduling conflicts. Councilmember Williams made a motion to approve Item No. 17-927. Councilmember Schmidt seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor and Council Comments

Councilmember Schmidt said it has been an honor serving with Faye Godwin and that she has always carried herself with class.

Councilmember Williams said Faye Godwin has been a great Councilmember and she will be missed.

Councilmember Hayes said it has been a pleasure working with Faye Godwin since the beginning.

Mayor Reed said Faye Godwin has been on the Council since the start of the city, and he has enjoyed working with her. She has always been thoughtful in her decisions and has been great for the city.

Executive Session (None)

Adjourn Meeting

Councilmember Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Godwin seconded. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Approved this 6th day of February, 2018.

Dana Wicher, City Clerk

Tom Reed, Mayor