

**CITY OF METTER
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, MAY 10, 2021
5:30 P.M.**

A regular meeting was held on Monday, May 10, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. in the Training Room at the Metter Police Department located at 805 E. Lillian St.

Attending the meeting were the following officials:

Mayor Edwin O. Boyd
Councilwoman Chyrileen Kilcrease
Councilwoman Rashida Taylor
Councilman James McKie
Councilman Brandon Sikes
City Manager Carter Crawford
City Clerk Angie Conner
Public Works Director Cliff Hendrix
Police Chief Robert Shore
Director of Tourism/Business Development Heidi Jeffers
Jerri Goodman – Metter Advertiser

Councilman MacGregor was absent from this meeting.

Attending the meeting were the following guests:

Bryan Aasheim – Candler County Administrator
Glynn Thrift, Chairman, Board of Commissioners of Candler County
Steve Waller – Candler County Historical Society
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Shanks
Mr. & Mrs. Rabun Wilson
Juan Taylor – Metter Fire Department

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Mayor Boyd called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman McKie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Councilman Sikes gave the invocation.

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APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to approve the agenda, deleting Item D. Councilman McKie seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Sikes made a motion to approve the following minutes:

- a) Regular Meeting, Monday, April 12, 2021, 5:30 p.m.
- b) Called Meeting, Monday, April 19, 2021, 5:30 p.m.
- c) Public Hearing, Tuesday, April 20, 2021, 5:00 p.m.

Councilwoman Kilcrease seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

PRESENTATIONS

Chief Rob Shore – Year-End Report

Chief Shore presented mayor and council with the year-end report for the Metter Police Department.

Heidi Jeffers, Director of Tourism/Business Development – Georgia Grown Innovation Center

Heidi Jeffers, Director of Tourism/Business Development gave an update on the Georgia Grown Innovation Center.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

NEW BUSINESS

First Reading of Ordinance - City Charter Amendment Regarding Budget Adoption

There was a first reading of an ordinance to amend the City Charter changing the adoption of the City's annual budget by ordinance to adoption by resolution of Council.

Special Event Alcohol Permit Application – Metter Chamber of Commerce

Councilwoman Kilcrease made motion to approve a Special Event Alcohol Permit Application applied for by the Metter Chamber of Commerce allowing alcohol in the downtown park during the Food Truck Festival scheduled for Saturday, June 5, 2021 if the requirements of City of Metter Municipal Code Chapter 5.008 200 (C) Special Event Permits are followed. Councilwoman Taylor seconded the motion. Councilwoman

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Kilcrease, Councilwoman Taylor, and Councilman Sikes voted in favor of the motion and Councilman McKie voted against. The vote was three in favor and one opposed. The motion carried.

Request to Close Alley

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to approve the recommendation by Public Works Director Cliff Hendrix not to close the alley that runs from W. Lee St. to W. Lillian St. since this alley can still be used for refuse collection and by the Fire Department. The vote was one in favor and three against the motion. Councilwoman Kilcrease, Councilwoman Taylor, and Councilman McKie voted against the motion and Councilman Sikes voted in favor. The motion failed.

Purchase of Tag Reader for Metter Police Department

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to approve a quote from Synergistic Software Inc. in the amount of \$17,150.00 for (1) 3-Camera Reaper HD Series Upgrade LPR System Ford SUV Interceptor Roof Mount tag reader. Councilwoman Taylor seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

EMC Engineering Services – 2021 GEFA Loan Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project

Councilman McKie made a motion to approve EMC Engineering Services for engineering services for the 2021 GEFA Loan Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation Project as recommended by Public Works Director Cliff Hendrix. Councilwoman Taylor seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

Bid Approval Davis Heating and Air

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to approve a bid from Davis Heating and Air in the amount of \$13,984.00 for the installation of an exhaust fan at the Georgia Grown Innovation Center as recommended by Public Works Director Cliff Hendrix. Councilman McKie seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

Resolution Reappointing Angela Mack

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to approve a resolution reappointing Angela Mack as Resident Member of the Metter Housing Authority for a one-year term beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022. Councilman Sikes seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

Request for Road Closure

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to approve a request to allow the Candler County Historical Society to close South College Street from West Vertia Street to the

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old canning plant on July 3, 2021 from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. for the Independence Day Festival. Councilwoman Taylor seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

FY 2020 Fire Budget Reimbursement to Candler County

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to approve the 2020 fire budget reimbursement to the Board of Commissioners of Candler County in the amount of \$36,202.50. Councilman Sikes seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

FY 2022 Budget

City Manager Carter Crawford presented the mayor and council with a copy of the FY 2022 budgets. He asked them to review it before the budget work session tomorrow night.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

Departmental written reports were placed in the agenda packet for council's review.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Crawford had no report.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Boyd reported on the following:

1. Larry Hanson with GMA reported that the rescue funds will be released soon. Candler County is getting more than 2 million dollars. This will be helpful to the city and county.
2. Work is being done by the attorneys on the shared services fire department agreement. It is forthcoming.

ADJOURNMENT

After no further discussion, Councilman McKie made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Councilwoman Taylor seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

Angie Conner, City Clerk