

**CITY OF METTER
CALLED MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2017
5:30 P.M.**

A called meeting was held at City Hall on Monday, October 23, 2017 at 5:30 p. m. in the Council Chambers.

Attending the meeting were the following officials:

Mayor Billy Trapnell
Mayor Pro tem Chyrileen Kilcrease
Councilman Gregory Thomas
Councilwoman Marsha Colson
Councilman Paul MacGregor
City Manager Mandi Cody
Finance Manager Cindy Collins
Public Works Director Cliff Hendrix
Chief of Police Mack Seckinger
Captain Robert Shore
HR/Purchasing Manager Missy Edenfield
Jerri Goodman, Metter Advertiser

Attending the meeting were the following guests:

Ed Boyd – Mayor Elect
Amy Harrelson – Candidate District 1 Seat 1
Brent Carter – City Attorney

CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Mayor Billy Trapnell called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilman MacGregor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Councilwoman Kilcrease gave the invocation.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to approve the agenda.
Councilman MacGregor seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

2017 City of Metter/Candler County Service Delivery Strategy

On October 16, 2017, Mandi Cody presented the County with the Forms and Intergovernmental Agreements comprising the City of Metter/Candler County Service Delivery Strategy's that were drafted in accordance with the negotiations held between the City and County Attorneys. These documents also included the Intergovernmental Agreements affecting the Sheriff and the Tax Commissioner. In a letter dated October 17, 2017, but received on Friday, October 20, 2017, Doug Eaves acknowledged receipt of these forms and agreements and stated that they were unacceptable to the County.

After some discussion about where Council would like to go from here the following motions were made and voted upon.

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Councilwoman Colson made a motion to appoint the law firm of Smith, Welch, Webb and White, LLC, as special counsel to employ expert witnesses to assist in the preparation and presentation of the City of Metter's Service Delivery Strategy negotiations and other legal issues. Councilwoman Kilcrease seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Thomas made a motion to extend the deadline until February 28, 2017 as recommended by the Regional Commission for the submission of an approved Service Delivery Strategy between the City of Metter and Candler County. Councilwoman Colson seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Councilman Thomas made a motion to approve the Service Delivery Strategy as presented in the Forms and Intergovernmental Agreements that were drafted in accordance with the negotiations held between the City and County Attorneys. Councilwoman Kilcrease seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion for approval for the City Attorney and Special Council to file a verified petition for mandatory mediation of the Service Delivery Strategy and to issue an injunction to prevent the County from levying and collecting property taxes based on property located inside the corporate limits of the City of Metter that is not authorized by law; and award attorney fees. Councilman Thomas seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to continue to provide Fire and Animal control services to the County during this time. Councilman MacGregor seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to go into closed session. Councilwoman Colson seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT

After no further discussion and no action taken, Councilwoman Kilcrease made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman MacGregor seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Cindy Collins, Finance Manager

William M. Trapnell, Mayor