**KINGSTON CITY COUNCIL**

**KINGSTON, GEORGIA**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**AUGUST 7, 2017**

The meeting began at 6:00 p.m. In attendance was Mayor Elbert “Chuck” Wise, council members Harold Posey, Mike Abernathy, Payton Silvers and Louise Howell. There were 12 attendees.

The meeting began with Mike Abernathy leading the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

**SIGN IN PERMISSION TO SPEAK**

Billy Moore spoke to council regarding adding to the City water system. Mr. Moore was asked to wait until the USDA water grant funding was complete because the City does not have the funding at time.

Mrs. William also spoke to Council because daughter was wanting to add to City water. They were also asked to wait until the USDA water grant funding was complete.

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Harold Posey made a motion to approve previous minutes. The motion was seconded by Mike Abernathy. Motion was carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Louise Howell made a motion to approve agenda. The motion was seconded by Payton Silvers. Motion was carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF LETTER OF CONDITIONS FOR USDA LOAN FOR POLICE CAR**

Payton Silvers made a motion to approve the letter of conditions for the USDA loan for a new police car. The motion was seconded by Louise Howell. Motion was carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL TO REPAIR THE ARCH IN THE HISTORICAL PARK**

Mike Abernathy approved the repair of the Arch in the historical park out of SPLOST and not to exceed $5000 in the repair. The motion was seconded by Harold Posey. Motion was carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL TO AUTHORIZE SWEITZER ENGINEERING TO GET DESIGN AND PREPARE BID DOCUMENTS TO MAKE REYNOLDS BRIDGE RD./MAIN ST. INTERSECTION A THREE WAY STOP/TRUCK ROUTE TO TAKE TRAFFIC OFF DAWSON ST.**

Payton Silvers made a motion to approve Sweitzer to get the design and bids ready for the three way stop intersection. Mike Abernathy seconded the motion. Motion was carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL TO PURCHASE RUBBER CHIPS FOR PLAYGROUND AREA FROM SPLOST**

Payton Silvers made a motion to approve the purchase of new rubber chips for the playground area from SPLOST. Mike Abernathy seconded the motion. Motion was carried unanimously.

**DISCUSS RAILROAD CLEAN UP ISSUES**

Council discussed the vegetation growing around the railroad within the City. It was approved by CSX for the City to maintain the vegetation as long as they stayed 25 foot from the tracks. An agreement was presented to Council from CSX. Mike Abernathy made a motion to sing agreement and let the maintenance crew cut the vegetation and keep the city looking clean. Louise Howell seconded the motion. Motion was carried unanimously.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Louise Howell thanked everyone that came.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Louise Howell made a motion to adjourn at 7:08 p.m. Payton Silvers seconded the motion. Motion was carried unanimously.

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Mayor Elbert “Chuck” Wise, Jr. City Clerk, Kelly L. Ensley