**KINGSTON CITY COUNCIL**

**KINGSTON, GEORGIA**

**COUNCIL MEETING**

**December 2, 2019**

The meeting began at 6:05 p.m. in attendance was Mayor Chuck Wise, Louise Young-Harris, and Louise Howell, Larry Posey, Payton Silvers, and City attorney Brandon Bowen. There were 8 attendees.

The meeting began with Roxie Pritchett leading the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

**SIGN IN PERMISSION TO SPEAK**

None

**APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Payton Silvers a motion to approve previous minutes. The motion was seconded by Louise Young-Harris. Motion was carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Larry Posey made a motion to amend the agenda to include Brent Bagby to the DDA. The motion was seconded by Louise Howell. Motion was carried unanimously. Louise Young-Harris made a motion to accept the amended agenda. The motion was seconded by Louise Howell. Motion was carried unanimously.

**APPOINTMENT OF BRENT BAGBY TO THE KINGSTON DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

Payton Silvers made a motion to accept the appointment of Brent Bagby to the Kingston Downtown Development Authority. The motion was seconded by Larry Posey. Motion was carried unanimously.

**USDA WATER IMPROVEMENT UPDATE-JAMES CAMPBELL**

James Campbell with Sweitzer Engineering spoke of the USDA Water Improvements stating the contractor is one quarter of completion of valve replacement and sleeves. Said the contractor is going at a good pace and is pleased with their progress.

**APPROVAL OF ANNEXATION AND ZONING APPLICATION**

No appeared speak for or against the Zoning application. Payton Silvers made a motion to approve the annexation and zoning application for Shirley Abernathy at 725 Kingston Hwy. 293. The motion was seconded by Louis Young-Harris. Motion was carried unanimously.

**APPROVAL TO SET DATE/TIME FOR BUDGET HEARING**

Payton Silvers made a motion to set November 21, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. for the budget hearing. The motion was seconded by Louise Howell. Motion was carried unanimously.

**DISCUSSION OF WATER SHUT OFF AND HOURS OF RECONNECT 8:30 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M.**

It was discussed to inform the citizens that when their water is shut off for non-payment; their water will not be paid until their bill payment has been met and turn on is only through working hours of Monday thru Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. No one should be requesting an employee to turn their water on after working hours.

**DISCUSSION OF EMPLOYEE BONUS**

It was requested from Mayor Wise to give each employee a $100 bonus for Christmas. Payton Silvers stated he saw no problem with the Mayor giving the employees a bonus, it was to his discretion. Mayor stated he wanted to inform Council.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mayor Wise asked John Sweitzer to speak regarding the pump station on Turner St. 20 psi is health department requirement and the only way to solve the problem on Turner St. is to put a booster-pump station on Turner St. to serve 6 to 10 homes between Turner St., MLK Jr. St., and Ron St.

Larry Posey Spoke regarding “Triple 11 Day” the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month was when the war ended. Several people from Kingston served in the war and he will be doing research on the matter.

Louise Young-Harris Thanked the Veterans and the Women’s History Center for all their work for the Veterans Day Celebration. Also, she thanked Kelly and Paula for keeping up with the City’s Facebook account.

Louise Howell and Mayor Wise Thanked everyone for attending the Council Meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Payton Silvers made a motion to adjourn at 7:06 p.m. Louise Howell seconded the motion. Motion was carried unanimously.

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