

Council Minutes
City of Gordon
March 5, 2018

The Council of the City of Gordon held a meeting on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at the Gordon City Hall located at 115 College Street. Members present were Mayor Kenneth Turner and Council Members Bruce Daniel, Freddie Densley, Terry Eady, Rose Lawrence, Phyllis Payne, and George Wynn.

Mayor Turner called the meeting to order and welcomed all present.

Mayor Turner suggested adding liner for water holding tanks, fencing, and Resolution to Amend Budget for 2016 - 2017 to the agenda.

A motion was made by Councilman Eady, seconded by Wynn to add the three items to the agenda. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

Mayor Turner then asked if anyone had any urgent business and would like to be added to the agenda.

Toni Ellison, Rodney Evans, and Alfred Smith were added to the agenda to discuss the Heavy Truck Ordinance.

A motion was made by Councilman Wynn and seconded by Councilman Densley to accept the February 19, 2018 Work Shop Minutes as presented. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Lawrence and seconded by Council Member Payne to accept the February 19, 2018 Council Minutes as presented. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

Mayor held second reading of Ordinance No. 2018 - 003 to regulate and restrict heavy motor vehicles from certain roadways within the city limits. (Copy of Ordinance No. 2018-003 attached.) A motion was made by Councilman Daniel and seconded by Councilman Densley to adopt Ordinance No. 2018 - 003 as presented.

Toni Ellison, on behalf of her husband Alfred Smith, explained that her husband is a truck driver but he doesn't actually run anywhere inside the city of Gordon. He drives for a company out of Savannah and he is responsible for whatever is on the trailer. He needs to be able to park the truck and trailer in their yard on Green Street for security purposes. After discussion, Attorney Green said he saw no issue with this. Mr. Smith will not be held to the new Heavy Truck Ordinance.

Rodney Evans stated that he drives a truck and parks the truck with no trailer on his property on College Street. Attorney Green had no issue with this. Mr. Evans will not be held to the new Heavy Truck Ordinance.

The Gordon Police Department will allow a 30 day grace period beginning the day the "No Thru Trucks" signs are erected. Anyone violating the ordinance will be warned the first time during this grace period and ticketed on the second offense.

Local truck companies are to be given a copy of the new Heavy Truck Ordinance.

Supt. Lawrence reported that he ordered fifteen "No Thru Truck" signs today and hope to have the signs by early next week.

Voting for the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-003 were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

Chief Hall asked if the locals who live here start bringing heavy trailers through would they need to get permission from Council to do so. Mayor instructed Chief Hall to enforce the ordinance as written.

Mayor gave update on water testing for lead and copper back in September as is normal and required by EPD. He explained sampling procedures. Six of the ten samples tested resulted in high lead and copper. Former Mayor Lue received a notice in November that it was high. Mayor Turner and Supt. Lawrence were first acknowledged of it being high on January 22, 2018 when EPD called and inquired what was being done about the violation that happened in September 2017. Mayor and Supt. Lawrence got an extension until the end of February to take corrective action. One of the requirements is to notify all customers that there has been a violation of the lead and copper limits. He reported on corrective actions taken.

Supt. Lawrence and Councilman Wynn explained water sampling procedures which require ten test sites and how the sites are chosen.

Council Member Lawrence stressed that the current administration is trying to address a situation that the prior Council should have addressed because those water collections were taken under the last administration. The current administration did not know that a plan of action was needed to be taken because the last administration failed to transfer the documents to the necessary people so that a plan of action could be developed. Now that the new administration is aware of the needed action, a plan of action is now in place.

Mayor presented proposals for fencing from Garrett Industries and AA Action Fence Company for fencing needed in different areas around the city as described in the proposals. AA Action Fence Company - \$31,450.00, Garrett Industries Fence Co. - \$34,125.00. (Copy of proposals from Garrett Industries and AA Action Fence Company attached.) A motion was made by Councilman Eady and seconded by Council Member Lawrence to accept the low bid presented by AA Action Fence Company for \$31,450.00. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried. Fencing is to be paid out of SPLOST Funds.

Mayor reported on information he received from Georgia Power wanting to install LED lighting in the street lights in Gordon. (Copy of information received from Georgia Power is attached.) No price quote has been received.

Water Leak Adjustment Request Form from Randall Lyles was presented. (Copy of request attached.) A motion was made by Councilman Eady and seconded by Council Member Lawrence to grant the once per ten year water bill adjustment by averaging as is normal procedure. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

Mayor reported on the need for a new ordinance involving testing of sewerage for the service to Zschimmer & Schwarz. Attorney Green is in the process of preparing the new ordinance.

Another piece involved with this is the FIRST AMENDMENT TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT between the City of Gordon and the City of Ivey. (Copy of the agreement attached.)

Mayor presented quote from Fab-Seal Industrial Liners, Inc. in the amount of \$13,614.45 for a new liner and installation for the water holding tank. A 40% down payment will be required. (Copy of quote attached.) A motion was made by Councilman Wynn and seconded by Councilman Eady to accept the bid, but to make sure that himself or Melvin, Terry, Spence or somebody is there with them to make sure the liner is properly installed and all inlets and outlets are properly sealed. Liner and installation is to be paid out of SPLOST. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

Mayor presented the RESOLUTION TO AMEND 2016-2017 GENERAL FUND BUDGET. (Copy of resolution attached.) A motion was made by Councilman Eady and seconded by Councilman Densley to accept the Resolution as presented. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

Mayor expressed his desire to attend the GMA Convention. After discussion, no opposition was

posed.

A motion was made by Council Member Payne and seconded by Councilman Wynn to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

March 19, 2018
Approved & Adopted

Kenneth L. Furman
Mayor

Jawana Brown
City Clerk