City Council Meeting
10 N. Public Square
March 6, 2014
6:00 P.M. – Work Session 7:00 P.M.

I. Opening Meeting

Invocation by Council Member McDaniel

Pledge of Allegiance led by Council Member Hodge

The City Council met in Regular Session with Matt Santini, Mayor presiding and the following present: Kari Hodge, Council Member Ward One; Jayce Stepp, Council Member Ward Two; Louis Tonsmeire, Sr., Council Member Ward Three; Lindsey McDaniel Council Member Ward Four; Dianne Tate, Council Member Ward Five; Lori Pruitt, Council Member Ward Six; Sam Grove, City Manager; Connie Keeling, City Clerk and David Archer, City Attorney.

II. Regular Agenda

A. Council Meeting Minutes

1. February 20, 2014

A motion to approve the February 20, 2014 City Council Meeting Minutes as presented was made by Council Member Tonsmeire and seconded by Council Member Tate. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 6-0

B. Appointments

1. Downtown Development Authority Board Appointments

Tara Currier, Downtown Development Authority Director stated that the following are recommended appointments. The first being the reappointment of Earline Burke who filled the unexpired term of Billy Archer in October 2012. The second is Bill Chandler to fill the unexpired term of Saunders Jones III who resigned in December 2013 and whose term expires February 18, 2016. The third is Jim Ballew to replace the expired term of Abbey Agan-Ross. Ms. Currier stated that all three appointees bring unique work experiences and skill sets which will be instrumental in the continued success of the DDA and Main Street Program and recommended approval.

A motion to approve the appointments as recommended was made by Council Member Tonsmeire and seconded by Council Member McDaniel. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 6-0

C. Resolutions

1. Time Change for Civic Youth Day April 3, 2014

Sam Grove, City Manager stated that this is an annual occurrence allowing the City Council to accommodate Civic Youth Day on April 3, 2014 by changing the time of the council meeting from 7 p.m. to 9 a.m. and recommended approval.

A motion to approve Resolution No. 04-14 was made by Council Member Tate and seconded by Council Member Tonsmeire. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 6-0

Resolution No. 04-04

WHEREAS, The Mayor and City Council has determined that it is in the best interest of the City of Cartersville and its inhabitants and their general health, safety and welfare to reschedule the below referenced meeting of the Mayor and City Council pursuant to the authority provided by the CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF CARTERSVILLE, GEORGIA; and

THEREFORE, NOW BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Cartersville that the meeting of the Mayor and City Council scheduled on the 3rd day of April, 2014 at 7 PM in pursuant to Section 2-17 of the City of Cartersville Code of Ordinances is hereby rescheduled to the 3rd day of April, 2014 at 9 AM.

NOW BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED.

ADOPTED this March 6, 2014

/s/ Matthew J. Santini
Matthew J. Santini
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ Connie Keeling
Connie Keeling
City Clerk

D. Contracts/Agreements

1. Change in Automated Fingerprint Service Provider
THIS ITEM WAS REMOVED FROM THE AGENDA

2. Utility Relocation Agreement – Georgia Power

Greg Anderson, Parks and Recreation Superintendent stated that this is an agreement with Georgia Power to relocate transmission line pole guy wires that will be in conflict with the proposed Leake Mound-Etowah RiverWalk Link at a cost of $15,061.00. Mr. Anderson stated that Georgia Power has agreed to move pole guy wires on the distribution line at no charge for this project and recommended approval.

A motion to approve this utility relocation agreement as presented was made by Council Member Tate and seconded by Council Member Tonsmeire. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 6-0

E. Bid Award/Purchases

1. Bartow – Cartersville Second Joint Development Authority Invoice

Tom Rhinehart, Finance Director stated that in 2011 the Bartow-Cartersville Second Joint Development Authority was created to act as a conduit for the land debt service on the industrial park. Operation funding for the Second JDA is joint with the City and County. The Council authorized a payment for the calendar year 2013 expenses and the calendar year 2014 expenses have begun to accrue. The Second JDA has sent an invoice for Operation Expenses in the amount of $7,000 and Mr. Rhinehart recommended approval to pay this invoice.

A motion to approve the payment for 2014 expenses was made by Council Member Tonsmeire and seconded by Council Member Stepp. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 6-0

2. Gas Department Backhoe

Michael Hill, Assistant Gas Superintendent stated that bids were requested for a new backhoe for his department while three bids were returned only one bid met the specifications. Mr. Hill recommended approval of the lowest best qualified bid from Flint Equipment Company in the amount of $68,716.41.

A motion to approve the bid from Flint Equipment Company was made by Council Member Tonsmeire and seconded by Council Member Hodge. Motion carried. Vote 4-1-1 with Council Member Stepp voting against motion and Council Member McDaniel abstaining.

F. Other

1. Memorandum of Understanding for Aquafil Expansion

Keith Lovell, Assistant City Attorney stated that the Economic Development Staff has been in discussions with Aquafil regarding them locating their next expansion in Cartersville. Aquafil plans on $25,000,000 in capital investment and 50 new jobs. Mr. Lovell recommended approval of the Memorandum of Understanding with the incentives offered as follows:

1. Ad valorem tax breaks on
   (a) Real property 10 years starting at 100% and decreasing by 10% per year until it expires
   (b) Equipment starting 5 years starting at 100% and decreasing by 20% per year until it expires.
   These ad valorem tax breaks are implemented by a bond issuance and lease by the Development Authority of Cartersville.

2. Additionally, the City is to provide assistance with an opportunity zone application. There is no financial obligation to the City.

A motion to approve the MOU as presented was made by Council Member Stepp and seconded by Council Member McDaniel. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 6-0

Mayor Santini stated that there were three items to be added to the agenda. A motion to add the items to the agenda was made by Council Member Stepp and seconded by Council Member Tonsmeire. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 6-0

G. Added Items

1. Sewer Line Claim at 206 North Gilmer Street

Dan Porta, Assistant City Manager stated that the Gas Department installed a service line in 1997 and must have hit a clay sewer line located on the property. The burst sewer line did not become a major problem until February 2014 when it caused damages totaling $7,910.00. Mr. Porta recommended payment of the claim.

A motion to approve payment in the amount of $7,910.00 was made by Council Member Pruitt and seconded by Council Member Tonsmeire. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 6-0

2. State Certification Contract Renewal

Tommy Culpepper, Police Chief stated that in light of recent changes in the State Certification Program the City's recertification has been moved up to 2014; which means that the city needs to have a signed contract on file to begin the process. Chief Culpepper stated that this is the fourth consecutive time his department has sought State Certification and recommended approval to authorize the Mayor to sign any and all documents associated with this contract so that an on-site evaluation can be scheduled.

A motion to approve the Mayors signature on the State Certification Contract Renewal was made by Council Member Stepp and seconded by Council Member McDaniel. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 6-0

3. Water Treatment Plant #2 High Service Pump Emergency Bearing Replacement.

Bob Jones, Water and Sewer Superintendent stated that the Number 2 high service pump at the water treatment plant began making noticeable noise on or about February 22, 2014. The pump was shut down for assessment and it appears that a bearing seal and/or bearing has failed on the pump. Mr. Jones stated that this is the primary treated water pump used at the plant and recommended approval of the repairs from the low bid of $6,187.50 from PMC-Cole Electric.

A motion to approve the low bid from PMC-Cole Electric was made by Council Member

Hodge and seconded by Council Member Stepp. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 6-0

H. Other

2. Visioning Session Summary

Sam Grove, City Manager stated that this is a recap from the facilitator, Chrissy Marlowe of the Council Visioning Retreat. Long and short-term goals are outlined, as well as the Council's Hot Topics and Wish List.

After announcements a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Council Member Stepp and needing no second. Motion carried unanimously. Vote 6-0

Meeting Adjourned

/s/ ___________________________
Matthew J. Santini
Mayor

ATTEST:

/s/ ______________________________
Connie Keeling
City Clerk