

**MINUTES
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
CITY OF DOUGLAS, GEORGIA
FEBRUARY 27, 2017**

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was held on Monday, February 27, 2017, at 7:25 P.M. in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Tony L. Paulk presiding and Mayor Pro Tem Bob Moore, Commissioners Olivia Pearson, Mike Gowen, Kentaiwon Durham, Johnnie Lee Roper Sr. and Cindy McNeill.

CALLED TO ORDER

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Commission was called to order by Mayor Tony L. Paulk.

INVOCATION

Pastor Christian Colson, Eastside Baptist Church provided the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lieutenant Jr. Grade Morales, Lieutenant Commander Ortiz with the Coffee County School NJROTC.

APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

The Commission approved the order of the Agenda as printed. A **MOTION** to approve the order of the Agenda was made by Mayor Pro Tem Bob Moore and seconded by Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper Sr. The motion **carried (6-0)**.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 13, 2017**
- **APPROVAL OF THE WATER/WASTEWATER SUPPLY BID 2-13-17 (WAREHOUSE STOCK)**
- **APPROVAL OF THE ANNUAL BASEBALL/SOFTBALL EQUIPMENT BID (2-13-17) (PARKS AND RECREATION DEPT.)**
- **APPROVAL OF THE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE APPLICATION FOR KRISHU ALISHU, INC.**
- **APPROVAL OF THE STREET SWEEPER REPAIRS FOR REPAIRS**

A **MOTION** to approve all **Consent Agenda Items** listed above as discussed in the Work Session was made by Commissioner Olivia Pearson and seconded by Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham. The motion **carried (6-0)**.

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Commissioner Cindy McNeill stated that she had a conflict of interest and removed herself from this item. (CDBG Application)

APPROVAL OF THE 2017 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION (6-A)

Community Development Director Dale Batten recommended that the Commission authorized the Southern Georgia Regional Commission to prepare the 2017 Community Development Block Grant Water/Sewer Application, commit up to \$132,190 as matching funds, (\$128,148 to be included in the FY'18 Water & Sewer Budget and \$4,042 from Community Development Escrow 2), approve Statewide Engineering Company as project engineers with their fees being paid from the cash match, and authorize the Southern Georgia Regional Commission to administer the project for the administration fees in the grant.

A **MOTION** for approval was made by Commissioner Oliva Pearson, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bob Moore with Commissioners Mike Gowen, Kentaiwon Durham, and Johnnie Lee Roper **voting for** the motion. Commissioner McNeill did not participate in discussion or vote on this matter. The motion **carried (5-0)**.

APPROVAL OF THE 2017 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION (6-B)

Commissioner Olivia Pearson made a **MOTION** that because we are not able to proceed with the Homeless Shelter/One Stop Shop Facility because of time restraints, the Commission would like to stipulate that the next CDBG application (2018) will be for a Homeless Shelter. Pastor Dawn Jones will be a key priority, and the key player with getting this application applied for administered and implemented. The next CDBG application (2019) would be for the housing issues discussed for the rehabilitation with Douglas. The **MOTION** was seconded by Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper with Mayor Pro Tem Bob Moore and Commissioners Mike Gowen, Kentaiwon Durham, and Cindy McNeill **voting for** the motion. The motion **carried (6 - 0)**.

STAFF COMMENTS

Georgia Henderson, Public Information Director, appeared before the Commission to give an update on events for the City of Douglas.

MAYOR AND COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Johnnie Lee Roper Sr. presented a check for the Miracle Field from Gaines Chapel AME Church.

Comments were made by the Mayor and Commission.

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ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss in the Regular Meeting, a **MOTION** was made to adjourn by Commissioner Kentaiwon Durham and seconded by Commissioner Olivia Pearson. The meeting was adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:15 p.m.

/s/ _____
Tony L. Paulk, Mayor

/s/ _____
Wynetta J. Bolder, Certified Municipal Clerk