

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA**  
**REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2009 AT 6:30 P.M.**  
**OLD CITY HALL**  
**1229 NEWCASTLE STREET, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR**

**PRESENT:** Honorable Mayor Bryan Thompson, Mayor Pro-Tem Cornell Harvey, Commissioner James H. Brooks, Sr., Commissioner Mark Spaulding and Commissioner Jonathan Williams

**CALL TO ORDER:** Honorable Mayor Bryan Thompson

**INVOCATION:** Commissioner James H. Brooks, Sr.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Recited by all in attendance.

**RECOGNITION(S), PRESENTATION(S) & AWARD(S)**

1. Appointment of Mayor Pro-Tem.

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Mayor Pro-Tem Harvey seconded the motion appointing Commissioner Mark Spaulding as Mayor Pro-Tem for a term of one (1) year until January 2010. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

**ITEM(S) TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL**

2. Minutes of the December 17, 2008 Work Session and Regular Scheduled Meeting. (N. Atkinson)

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Mayor Pro-Tem Harvey seconded the motion approving the above-referenced work session minutes. The motion passed by a vote of 4 to 0 with Commissioner Spaulding abstaining as he was not in attendance.

Commissioner Spaulding made a motion and Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion approving the above-referenced regular scheduled meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

3. Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Joint Application.(E. Van Otteren)

Eric Van Otteren, Director of Community Development, gave a brief overview of the above-referenced application.

Mayor Pro-Tem made a motion and Commissioner Spaulding seconded the motion approving the above-referenced application. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

4. Renewal/New Alcohol Beverage License(s). (E. Johnson)

<u>Name of Business</u>	<u>Owner/Mgr.</u>	<u>Location of Business</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Orlando's Mexican Restaurant	Orlando Tosar (Owner)	3384 Cypress Mill Road	License renewal- sell beer, wine and distilled spirits; Sunday sales, consumption on premises.
El Cheapo Store	Jackie M. Sommers (Owner)	25 Torras Drive	License renewal- sell beer and wine; no Sunday sales, no consumption on premises
Downtown Grocery- UMA Grocery of Brunswick, Inc.	Jashbhai B. Patel (Owner)	1300 Gloucester Street	License renewal- sell beer and wine; no Sunday sales, no consumption on premises.
The Fountain Package Store	Parul Shah Patel (Owner)	2300 Norwich Street	License renewal- sell beer, wine and distilled spirits; no Sunday sales, no consumption on premises.
Eagle's Lounge	Michael McDuffie (Owner)	1621 Albany Street	New Sunday sales license - sell beer, wine and distilled spirits; Sunday sales, consumption on premises.

Chief Edna Johnson, Police Department, requested approval for the above-referenced alcohol licenses; with the exception of Eagle's Lounge; she stated that her department presently does not have enough information from Eagle's Lounge to make a recommendation at this time. She also reported that Eagle's Lounge would be placed on the agenda for consideration at the January 21<sup>st</sup> 2009 commission meeting.

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Commissioner Spaulding seconded the motion to approve the above-referenced new/renewal licenses; with the exception of Eagle's Lounge which will be placed on January 21<sup>st</sup> 2009 agenda. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

5. Approval to apply for the Gang Resistance Education and Training (G.R.E.A.T.) grant. (C. Haney)

Cathy Haney, Planning and Research Specialist, requested approval to apply for the above-referenced grant.

Commissioner Spaulding made a motion and Mayor Pro-Tem Harvey seconded the motion authorizing approval for Ms. Haney to apply for the above-referenced grant. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

6. Financial reports as of November 30, 2008 (M. Hendley)

Martha Hendley, Finance Director, gave a brief overview of the above-referenced reports.

Following discussion, Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Commissioner Spaulding seconded the motion approving the above-referenced reports. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

**CITY ATTORNEY'S ITEM(S)**

7. Resolution to Adopt Qualifying Fees for 2009 election.

Commissioner Spaulding made a motion and Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion approving the above-referenced resolution. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

Commissioner Spaulding made a motion and Mayor Pro-Tem Harvey seconded the motion to add approval of a resolution authorizing the City to enter into a multi-year lease, purchase, or lease purchase contract with Georgia Municipal Association as item numbered 8 of the agenda. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

8. Resolution for City to enter into a multi-year lease, purchase, or lease purchase contract with Georgia Municipal Association.

M. Lynn Frey III, City Attorney, requested approval of the above-referenced resolution.

Mayor Pro-Tem Harvey made a motion and Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion approving the above-referenced resolution. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Thompson asked if there was a need for an executive session.

Commissioner Spaulding made a motion and Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion to hold an executive session to discuss litigation, land acquisition and personnel. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

Following executive session Mayor Thompson announced that no action was taken.

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Commissioner Spaulding seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

/s/ Bryan Thompson  
Bryan Thompson, Mayor

Attest: /s/ Naomi Atkinson  
Naomi Atkinson, City Clerk