

**OFFICIAL MINUTES
COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA
REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2009 AT 6:30 P.M.
OLD CITY HALL
1229 NEWCASTLE STREET, 2ND FLOOR**

PRESENT: Honorable Mayor Bryan Thompson, Commissioner James H. Brooks, Sr.,
Commissioner Cornell Harvey and Commissioner Jonathan Williams

ABSENT: Mayor Pro-Tem Mark Spaulding

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)

Mayor Thompson entertained a motion to add to agenda: appointment of two (2) members from the Commission to participate on the North School Site RFP review committee, as item numbered five (5).

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion to add the above-mentioned item to the agenda as item numbered (5) five. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

Mayor Thompson acknowledged members of the City of Brunswick Youth Advisory Council; members present were: Dakota Fulks, Dayana Jones and Sergio Castillo.

1. Proclamation presentation to Ernest Craft. (B. Thompson)
Mayor Thompson presented Ernest Craft a proclamation for his service to the community.
2. Joy Burch, Archway Partnership Project Update.
Joy Burch, Archway Professional, gave a brief update of the Archway Partnership Project.

ITEM(S) TO CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL

3. Minutes of the February 18, 2009 Work Session, Public Hearing and Regular Scheduled Meeting. (N. Atkinson)

Commissioner Harvey made a motion and Commissioner Williams seconded the motion approving the above-referenced work session minutes. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion approving the above-referenced public hearing minutes. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion approving the above-referenced regular scheduled meeting minutes; with the correction of title for Commissioner Harvey from Mayor Pro-Tem to Commissioner Harvey. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

4. Financial Reports for January 2009. (M. Hendley)

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

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion approving the above-referenced reports. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

5. Appointment of two (2) members of the Commission to serve on the North School Site RFP Review Committee.

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Commissioner Williams seconded the motion appointing Mayor Thompson and Commissioner Cornell Harvey to serve on the above-referenced committee. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

MAYOR THOMPSON'S ITEM(S)

6. Earth Hour March 28, 2009.

Karen Giovengo, Project Manager for Coastal Sustainable Communities Program, gave a brief overview of Earth Hour. She asked the Commission to consider supporting the world's first global relationship between Earth and global warming by voting earth on Saturday, March 28, 2009; which entails switching off your lights for one hour. She added that to officially support Earth Hour on March 28, 2009; the City of Brunswick is required to submit a proclamation.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion and Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion to support Earth Hour (8:30 p.m. until 9:30 p.m.) on Saturday, March, 28, 2009 and to submit a proclamation for presentation at the March 18, 2009 Commission meeting. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

Commissioner Harvey made a motion and Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion to hold an executive session to discuss personnel matters. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

Following executive session, Mayor Thompson entertained a motion to appoint Chris O'Donnell as Judge for Municipal Court at the pay level of former Judge Ligon. He also instructed the City Manager and City Attorney to advise Mr. O'Donnell of said appointment.

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Commissioner Williams seconded the motion appointing Chris O'Donnell as judge of Municipal Court at the pay level of former Judge Ligon. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion and Commissioner Brooks seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 4 to 0.

MEETING ADJOURNED

/s/ Bryan Thompson
Bryan Thompson, Mayor

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