

**OFFICIAL MINUTES**  
**COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BRUNSWICK, GEORGIA**  
**REGULAR SCHEDULED MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 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 Mark Spaulding, Commissioner James H. Brooks, Sr., Commissioner Cornell Harvey and Commissioner Jonathan Williams

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Thompson

**INVOCATION:** Mayor Pro-Tem Spaulding

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

**ADDENDUM TO AGENDA**

Mayor Thompson announced that item number three (3) will be removed from agenda.

**DISCUSSION(S)**

1. Keith Morgan, Director, Brunswick-Glynn County Joint Water & Sewer Commission, Benchmark Activities Update.

Mr. Morgan updated Commission on JWSC Benchmark activities.

2. Offering of Bounty for Information regarding Illegal Dumping. (L. Frey)

M. Lynn Frey III presented Commission with information regarding options for offering incentives in form of bounty/reward for information and or testimony from citizens in regards to illegal dumping. He asked the Commission for direction, comments and suggestions for starting the proposed incentive to the public.

The City Attorney was directed to proceed with developing a program for offering an incentive to citizens that report anyone observed dumping debris illegally and report back to the Commission at the November 4, 2009 Commission meeting.

3. *Energy & Environment, LLC, Consulting Agreement. (R. Harris)*

*This item was removed from agenda.*

**PUBLIC HEARING(S) – LAND USE**

4. Variance Petition No. 09-06 from Gladys Boynton, petitioning to obtain a minimum front yard setback at 122 Union Street. (A. Glaeser)

Arne Glaeser, City Planner, gave a presentation of the above-referenced variance petition. He reported that staff recommends granting the requested variance to the front yard setback for the construction of a carport with the following conditions:

1. Construction of the proposed carport must be in substantial compliance with the development concept plan date-stamped 9/30/09.
2. The carport shall remain open and the sides shall not be enclosed.

Mayor Thompson asked if there was anyone present to speak in favor or opposition of the proposed petition.

The following people addressed the Commission:

1. Wayne Hutcheson, general contractor for the construction of the carport, offered to answer questions the Commission might have.

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Commissioner Williams seconded the motion to approve the above-referenced variance petition request with conditions recommended by Mr. Glaeser. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

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

5. Minutes of the October 7, 2009 Regular Scheduled Meetings. (N. Atkinson)

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

6. Consulting Agreement between the Fox Theatre Institute and the City of Brunswick for restoration issues on the Ritz Theatre. (B. Thompson)

Heather Heath, Executive Director Golden Isles Arts and Humanities Association, requested approval of the above-referenced agreement; she stated that the matching funds for restoration of the Ritz Theatre from the City would be \$30,000.00.

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

7. Provisional Alcohol License for Lime Light. (E. Johnson)

Chief Johnson, requested approval of the above-referenced license for a new club – (Lime Light); owners: Somil Patel and Nitesh Patel.

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion granting the above-referenced provisional license with stipulations as discussed. The motion passed unanimously by a vote of 5 to 0.

8. Submission of application for the FEMA FP&S - Fire Prevention and Safety Grant. (R. Trawick)

Fire Inspector Trawick and Cathy Haney, Planning and Research Specialist, requested approval to submit an application for the above-referenced grant. Ms. Haney stated that there was a 5% in-kind matched required by the City.

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

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

9. Approval of Ordinance 1013 to amend Chapter 18 of the Code of the City of Brunswick, Sanitation Chapter, to provide for revised penalties relating to Minimum Fines for Dumping.

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

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

*Ordinance on file – Office of the City Clerk.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

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

Commissioner Brooks made a motion and Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion to hold an executive session to discuss 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 Mayor Pro-Tem Spaulding seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion passed by a vote of 3 to 0; Commissioner Harvey and Commissioner Williams not present to vote.

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

/s/ Bryan Thompson  
Bryan Thompson, Mayor

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