

**SAVANNAH CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR SESSION
JUNE 1, 2015
CLASBEY CENTER – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
7:00 P.M.**

Mayor Connie George presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Council Members present: Don Dillman, Kenny Maxwell and Joy Thompson. Mayor Connie George, City Administrator Bruce Lundy and Deputy City Clerk Brooke Bell were also present. The meeting notice was posted at City Hall on May 29, 2015. The meeting was audio recorded.

Approval of Agenda – Joy Thompson motioned to approve the agenda as posted. Don Dillman seconded. Motion carried on 3 yes votes.

Minutes – May 18, 2015 – Don Dillman motioned to approve the minutes of May 18, 2015. Kenny Maxwell seconded. Motion carried on 3 yes votes.

Public Testimony – None.

City Administrator’s report – City Administrator Bruce Lundy reported:

Zoning Board Meeting I attended the Zoning Board meeting last Monday. They heard from a couple folks about lot splits and approved the adoption of the Maintenance Code that is on the agenda today for your approval

Metropolitan Planning Organization I attended this meeting on Thursday. One thing they are really pushing is for support of the tax the State of Missouri needs for road maintenance. It did not pass the last time but it will be on the ballot again. It is very important that this passes or Missouri roadways will be in serious trouble. They proposed adding six cents per gallon of gas over a period of time. Our state gas tax is currently at 17 cents per gallon and is among some of the lowest in the country. The highest gas tax is 37.5 cents per gallon in California and Washington.

Park Board Meeting Attended the park board meeting. They went over a lot of costs for concessions and set prices. They discussed upcoming events and set up a schedule for the popular Dollar Days at the pool and Adult Only Swim times.

Signs Mike has installed the new signs that are out on E Hwy by the Youth Sports Complex. He still has to put up the one at the Wastewater Plant, and then we will be done with signs until the new budget is approved. We still need to replace four signs: 71 and Main, Kelley Hill, and two park signs at 14th and T and 71 Hwy and 10th.

Wastewater Plant Operator The young man we chose to fill the position at the wastewater plant did take the job with the Maryville School District. Jason and I interviewed two other applicants and I would like to recommend that we hire Russel Streich. Russel lives here in town and is retiring from Missouri Air National Guard. With his background I think he will be good, reliable help. Jason in on vacation but he did type an email that I have printed off and included in the packet.

Dump Truck Kenny says the transmission in our yellow 1999 dump truck has been making a funny noise. We have a guy that works on our bigger trucks and he was called and listened to it.

He said it could be a gear or something that can be repaired. He said worse case it needs a new transmission; it would be \$4,000.00. He is going to take it apart Tuesday to see what the issue is.

Upcoming Events June is a busy month

1. The Savannah Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Picnic is Wednesday evening, June 3rd at the Large Shelter at Messick Park. Social hour starts at 6:00 p.m. They are requesting a response if you plan on attending so they can be sure to have plenty of food.
2. The SACC Golf Tournament is this Friday, June 5th at our Duncan Hills Golf Course. Lunch is from 11:00 a.m.-Noon and then golf.
3. This Saturday, June 6th is the City Wide Garage Sale.
4. June 13th is the Savannah All Alumni Summer Bash. There are events planned all day with a 5K and Golf Tournament at 8:00 a.m. Breakfast from 7 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Legion. Events start on the square at Noon with music and storytelling.

Bruce stated that it was time for Tyler Swink's 6-month review. Kenny said that Tyler has been a very good asset to the city and that he is a good, hard worker. Bruce mentioned that Tyler is constantly working. Don motioned to take Tyler off of probation. Joy seconded. Motion carried on 3 yes votes.

Chief David Vincent and City Attorney Emily Bauman arrived.

Russell Streich was in attendance and introduced. Bruce proposed to hire Russell as an operator at the Wastewater plant. Don Dillman made a motion to hire Russell as a wastewater plant operator. Kenny seconded. Motion carried on 3 yes votes.

Councilman John Parker arrived at the meeting.

Joy Thompson motioned to approve the City Administrator's report. Don Dillman seconded. Motion carried on 4 yes votes.

BILL FOR CONSIDERATION

Bill 2015-11 An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 500 Article VI Existing Building Code-Adopting the International Property Maintenance Code was read for the first and second readings.

ORDINANCE NO. 2670

This ordinance amends Chapter 500 Article VI existing building code, in the code of ordinances of the City of Savannah. Don Dillman motioned to approve ordinance no. 2670. John Parker seconded. Vote: Dillman: aye; Maxwell: aye; Parker: aye; Thompson: aye. Motion carried.

Second Public Testimony – None.

ELECTED OFFICIALS DISCUSSION

Mayor's Report – Mayor Connie George reported she attended meetings for park board and planning and zoning. She read a proclamation for Special Olympics. She also received a complaint about grass being tall at the golf course. Connie spoke to Bruce about it. Others felt that it's understandable with all the rain we have had.

Council Members Discussion

Joy Thompson attended the Extension council meeting. The Extension is currently doing a plat of all the farms in Andrew County. They are also working on the Andrew County Fair, which will start on June 20; starting with the parade. Joy reported that she hadn't received any complaints.

Don Dillman had an individual report that by White Oak the ditch has a lot of trees growing in it, in front of the tubes.

Adjournment

No further business to discuss. Council adjourned at 7:20 p.m. on a motion by Don Dillman and seconded by Joy Thompson. Motion carried on 4 yes votes.

Connie George, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Brooke Bell, Deputy City Clerk