

Council Work Session

March 17, 2015

Mayor Harley called meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Invocation given by Councilman Nichols

Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Tucker

Welcome Extended to all by Mayor Harley and recognized -Vivian Childs.

Present were Mayor John R. Harley, Councilman Randall Wright, Councilman Edward Tucker, Councilman Jonathan Nichols and City Attorney Rebecca Tydings. Absent, Councilman Andrews.

Public Comments

David Parker, 129 Ridgebend Drive, spoke about his concerns about the “Smart Glasses” referred back to initial discussion at the Feb work session. Stated that he values the police officers, raised concerns about the 4th amendment and the Federal Right to Privacy Act.

Geraldine Parker, 129 Ridgebend Drive, asked Police Chief Andrews asked what law authorizes the Police Department to use smart glasses. Police Chief Andrews stated that all of this will be cleared up with his presentation about smart glasses and referred the question to the City Attorney. Mrs. Parker asked City Attorney about right of privacy. City Attorney Tydings replied that she would not attempt to cite any authority from memory but that she would be glad to research the issue.

Councilman Tucker reminded Mrs. Parker to contact him directly with questions and concerns instead of the City Attorney.

Police Chief Andrews introduced new hire Danny Hicks-17 years as a lieutenant for WR Police Department.

Old Business

Independence Day Celebration- Discussion- Committee-Budget: Motion made by Councilman Nichols to appoint Councilman Tucker and Councilman Wright to serve on the committee for Independence Day celebration and approve a budget of \$20,000 from the General Fund contingency; seconded by Councilman Wright. Motion carried.

Revised Personnel Manual – Point of Information: City Attorney Tydings reported that the proposed adoption shall be at the regular council meeting April 7, 2015 at 7:00pm.

Contracts and Invitation to Bid – Demolition Old City Hall/Police Department Buildings and Designation of Signatory: Director of Operations Brumfield seeking authorization from Mayor

and Council. Motion made by Councilman Wright to approve proceeding with the bid process and to designate Director of Operations Mike Brumfield or Mayor John R. Harley to sign any and all documents necessary to carry out the project. Motion seconded by Councilman Tucker. Motion carried.

Fire Safety Trailer – Exchange/Purchase: Fire Chief Jones reported that City Attorney has drawn up a bill of sale to the City of Warner Robins (as requested by Warner Robins City Attorney Jim Elliott). Motion made by Councilman Tucker to approve expenditure of \$2000.00 and to trade the current trailer for the WR fire safety trailer; seconded by Councilman Wright. Motion carried.

New Business

Proclamation- National Safe Digging Month-Flint Energies: Mayor Harley read proclamation.

Agreement Firefighter Property Program (FFP) Cooperative Equipment and Procedures Georgia Forestry Commission: Fire Chief Jones stated that this agreement allows the city to be able to obtain equipment as very minimal prices through the Georgia Forestry Commission. This is an agreement that would allow the Centerville Fire Department to be placed on a list for future purchases of equipment – possibly a ladder truck – for a very low cost to the city via a grant program. Councilman Tucker stated this would be a huge savings and appreciated Chief Jones for his hard work. Chief Jones seeking approval and designation of Mayor as signatory. City Attorney Tydings has reviewed document and no issues reported – noted that she and Chief Jones had discussed setting up a date sensitive procedure to make sure all the terms of the grant were met if the city is selected. Motion made by Councilman Nichols to approve agreement and designate Mayor Harley as signatory; seconded by Councilman Tucker. Motion carried.

Presentation- COPTRAX Smart Glasses: Police Chief Andrews stated that he has an open door policy and invites anyone to come and speak with him. Chief Andrews stressed to everyone that he does not want to violate anyone's 4th amendments rights. Chief Andrews began Power point presentation. A copy of presentation attached and made part of official minutes.

Approval-WRATS Memorandum of Understanding and Designation of Signatory: Councilman Nichols read Section-I to include definition of WRATS, goals, objectives and plans. Motion made by Councilman Nichols to approve and designate Mayor Harley as signatory; seconded by Councilman Wright. Motion carried.

Letter of Intent to Condemn Property for Fountain and Mall Entrance: City Attorney Tydings seeking approval from Mayor and Council. Motion made by Councilman Wright to approve letter; seconded by Councilman Nichols. Motion carried.

Executive Session- Personnel Matters and Future Land Acquisition: Councilman Tucker made motion to enter into executive session at 5:58pm; seconded by Councilman Wright. Motion carried.

Motion made by Councilman Wright to reconvene meeting at 6:46pm; seconded by Councilman Tucker. Motion carried.

Councilman Nichols left at 6:47pm.

Resolution & Affidavit: City Attorney Tydings read resolution. Motion made by Councilman Wright to approve resolution; seconded by Councilman Tucker. Motion carried. Affidavit executed by Mayor Harley and notarized by City Clerk Krista Bedingfield. Resolution & Affidavit attached and made part of official minutes.

Meeting adjourned at 6:48pm.

Mayor John R. Harley

Attest by City Clerk Krista Bedingfield

Date