

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT THE CITY OF SKY VALLEY, GEORGIA ON
FEBRUARY 19, 2019 AT TUESDAY AT 10:00 CHAPEL, 817 SKY VALLEY WAY**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor MacNair, Councilors Wheeler, Curtis, Piontkowski, and Howard

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Fast, City Clerk Fleming, Deputy Clerk Mullins, City Attorney Kidd, Police Chief Estes, & Public Works Superintendent Holbrooks

1. Call to Order

Mayor MacNair called the meeting to order.

2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

Rev. Nelson led in prayer and Mayor MacNair led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Minutes

November 27, 2018 Regular Council Meeting

January 2, 2019 Organizational and Regular Council Meeting

January 4, 2019 Special Called Council Meeting

Councilor Piontkowski made the motion to approve the minutes, Councilor Howard seconded, unanimously approved.

4. Adoption of Agenda

Mayor MacNair requested to amend the agenda to remove item #8, the Adoption of a Bear Ordinance and item #10, the Selling of Surplus Lots.

Councilor Piontkowski made a motion to adopt the amended agenda, seconded by Councilor Curtis, unanimously approved.

5. Mayor's Remarks

Mayor MacNair thanked all for coming despite the weather conditions. He also addressed that the cleanup of the trees should be completed within a week and then they will double back and chip up the limbs, which all should be taken care of within a couple of weeks.

6. Council Remarks

Councilor Howard – Due to the weather, thank you for coming

Councilor Piontkowski – It is an appreciated effort. Thanks for the attendance and thanks for the comments.

Councilor Curtis – Thanks for caring. He also addressed the Work Session procedures.

Councilor Wheeler – Thanks for the input and the attendance.

7. Department Reports – Exceptions and Questions

Concerning the Housing and Development Report, City Manager Fast brought up the fact that two houses are currently in the process of being built. She also stated that if any residents of Sky Valley had any questions, that needed clarification, to please give her a call.

NEW BUSINESS

8. Consider Adoption of a Bear Ordinance

No action taken

9. Consider Fire Department Request for Additional Funds and Annual Agreement

Councilor Piontkowski made a motion to approve, seconded by Councilor Howard. Councilor Wheeler abstained due to conflict of interest. Councilors Curtis, Piontkowski, and Howard voted yes.

10. Consider Selling Surplus Lots

No action taken

11. Consider Codification – Ordinances

Mayor MacNair asked City Manager Fast to speak on this subject.

City Manager Fast talked on the benefit of the word search to find the subject matter in the ordinances. She also talked about a revision of the budget.

Councilor Howard expressed concern of the annual cost to maintain.

City Manager Fast pointed out figures on the quote and addressed his concerns.

Councilor Howard asked City Attorney Kidd, his opinion of the need for the codification, which he stated that he thought it would be a good idea.

Councilor Curtis asked City Attorney Kidd if this was something he could put together and City Attorney Kidd answered no. Councilor Wheeler made the motion to approve codification - ordinances, Councilor Piontkowski seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Consider Water Meter Upgrades

Mayor MacNair gave a run down on the discussion from the Work Session. Mayor MacNair recommended changing all register on the meters. Councilor Wheeler made the motion to approve water meter upgrades, seconded by Councilor Curtis. The motion passed unanimously.

13. Consider Appointment of City Clerk – Karen Fleming

Councilor Howard made a motion to appoint Karen Fleming as City Clerk, seconded by Councilor Piontkowski. The motion passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

14. Public Forum and General Comments

Resident Gordon Brand, spokesman for Forest Hill Association, talked about the garbage increase and requested an explanation. He had stated that he had sent out an email asking for further information. He asked if a cost evaluation had been conducted. City Manager Fast said that this topic had been discussed in prior meetings and it had been agreed upon to place the same charge, for garbage pickup, across the board. She also brought up the fact that the agenda had been posted on the website along with emails sent out. Mr. Brand stated that it was going to be a strain on their budget.

Councilor Curtis and Councilor Howard addressed his concerns.

15. Adjournment

Councilor Wheeler made the motion to adjourn, Councilor Piontkowski seconded, the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:41 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Robert MacNair".

Robert MacNair, Mayor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Karen Fleming".

Karen Fleming, City Clerk