

Atlanta City Council Meeting Minutes March 3, 2020

OPEN: The regular meeting of the Atlanta City Council was held on Tuesday March 3, 2020 at the Atlanta City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor McVey at 7:30pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL: Colaw-P
Thomas-P
Young-P
Dreyer-P
Cheek-P
Evans-P

Motion by Cheek second by Evans to approve the minutes as presented.

ROLL CALL:
Colaw-yes
Thomas-yes
Young-yes
Dreyer-yes
Cheek-yes
Evans-yes

Motion Carries.

Motion by Evans second by Cheek to pay all bills as far as money allows.

ROLL CALL:
Colaw-yes
Thomas-yes
Young-yes
Dreyer-yes
Cheek-yes
Evans-yes

Motion Carries.

Chad Eimer asked to address the County Board after their presentation on the proposed courthouse project and tax referendum.

The County Board members were present to seek support for a .5 sales tax increase on the ballot March 17th. This effort will be an extensive restoration for the Courthouse. The tax time frame will be 20 years maximum. Reserves were explained as well as bonding for the project.

Chad Eimer ask several questions as to whether it would be better to work toward a Law & Justice Center instead of just repairing the Courthouse. Also, why it was allowed to deteriorate into the present state.

He felt another referendum would be needed for the jail soon.

Alderman Young felt that the County had done a good job with there plan and the costs were reasonable for the work.

Board member Blankenship explained several options that have been investigated. Also, the efforts in the County to educate the public were outlined.

The Council took up the Fireworks contract for 2020. July 3rd will be the date and the cost will be \$8000.00

Collection of donations will be more aggressive this year. Last years total for donations was \$960 dollars.

Motion by Cheek second by Evans to enter the contract with Central States for Fireworks Display as presented.

ROLL CALL:

Colaw-yes

Thomas-yes

Young-no

Dreyer-yes

Cheek-yes

Evans-yes

Motions Carries

A Presentation of the War on Terror plague tomorrow if Council would like to attend. Information on the current phase of Electric Aggregation was given to the council. A presentation will be given to the council on March 17th with current rates.

Alderwoman Thomas commented that the County presentation was a good one.

Alderman Young felt that the school should ask the City whether it will close the street before they plan to move forward.

Alderwoman Cheek stated she was disappointed in the talk that the Dairy Queen was not going to happen.

Alderwoman Evans also felt that there needs to be more direction or information forth coming from the school.

American Water will be back the first meeting in April.

Replacing fire hydrants and water mains are still being worked on with engineering company.

Motion by Thomas second by Cheek to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Colaw-yes

Thomas-yes

Young-yes

Dryer-yes

Cheek-yes

Evans-yes

Motion Carries

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm

Kenneth Martin

City Clerk