Atlanta City Council Meeting Minutes July 3, 2018

OPEN: The regular meeting of the Atlanta City Council was held on Tuesday July 3, 2018 at the Atlanta City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Fred Finchum at 7:30pm.

ROLL CALL: Halley, Eimer, Young, Finchum, and Cheek were present. McVey was absent.

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

ROLL CALL:

Halley-yes Finchum-yes
Eimer-yes Cheek-yes
Young-yes McVey-A

Motion Carries.

Motion by Halley second by Eimer to pay all bills as approved by their respected chairman or as far as money allows.

ROLL CALL:

Halley-yes Finchum-yes
Eimer-yes Cheek-yes
Young-yes McVey-A

Motion Carries.

Melanie Blankenship told the council that she was denied a request for Betterment Fund information from the City she felt that more transparency was needed from various committees.

Marilyn Horath was present to report water problems at her home that were not improving.

She also felt that the 4th of July should be a larger celebration to help the festivities be better. Volunteers were needed to help raise money and help for the event. Alderwoman Halley felt that a committee should be formed early to work on the problem.

Keith Gardner stated the painting of City Hall will begin soon. The office will be closed during the painting. He states oil and chipping will start 16th for 2 days.

Randy Brooks reported that there will three outings at the Golf Course this week.

The Mayor took up the need for clean-up at the Trailer Park after the fire. The City Attorney went over the City Code and State requirements pertaining to the problem. The owners' attorney had communicated with the City attorney to settle the problem as efficiently as possible.

John Sherman asked the City Attorney questions about the Abandon Mobile Home Act and these were answered.

Options for clean-up were gone over. There were several avenues to pursue.

The City Attorney recommended notice be sent to the trailer owners and the property owners of the existing violations.

Alderwoman Cheek felt that time should be given to resolve the issue. John Sherman requested notice be given.

Motion by Young second by Halley to give notice of 30 days before anything was done. ROLL CALL:

Halley-yes Finchum-yes
Eimer-yes Cheek-yes
Young-yes McVey-A

Motion Carries.

Bill Thomas told the council that an Open House at the Carriage House. The Public is invited.

The Betterment Fund was also suggesting changes to broaden the Façade Improvement Program to include buildings and properties near the Interstate.

Motion by Young second by to table action until the next meeting. NO SECOND.

Motion by Halley second by Finchum to approve the two changes which were add buildings and properties near the interstate.

ROLL CALL:

Halley-yes Finchum-yes
Eimer-yes Cheek-yes
Young-no McVey-A

Motion Carries.

Bill Thomas informed the council that the Betterment Fund tax exempt status was reinstated 6-14-18.

Alderman Young stated that he felt the taxes were overstated by the ladies on the Golf Course. He also questioned some past expenditures for the Carriage House. This will be checked.

Alderman Eimer told the council that he had conversations about the community cooperation with the school and how to cooperate with other communities. Also promoting student athletes and further cooperation with the school.

Young pointed out that other events besides sports should be recognized.

Motion by Cheek second by Halley to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL:

Halley-yes Finchum-yes
Eimer-yes Cheek-yes
Young-yes McVey-A

Motion Carries.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm Kenneth Martin City Clerk