

April 19, 2021 Woodbury City Council Minutes



ANTICIPATED ATTENDING

- Mayor Steve Ledbetter
- Mayor Pro Tem Ronnie Garrett
- Councilmember Randy Carter
- Councilmember L. C. Gates
- Councilmember Carolyn Ledbetter
- City Attorney Danielle Sewell
- City Hall, City Clerk Angel Fowler
- Police Department, Chief Smart Web
- Public Works, Director Willie Holmes – Not Present, Stacy Phillips represented
- Water Director, Cody Kelly

WELCOME, CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, and PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Steve Ledbetter

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

April 19, 2021

- Councilmember Carter made the motion to adopt the agenda and to add Executive Session to discuss Real Estate
- Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion
- All approved

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

March 22, 2021

- Councilmember Carter made motion to approve the March Minutes
- Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion
- All approved

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- Councilmember Carter made motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Real Estate
- Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion

- All approved
 - Time 6:02 pm Council entered Executive Session in the Woodbury Municipal Complex conference room
- Councilmember Carter made motion to close Executive Session
- Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion
- All approved
 - Time 6:05 pm

- Councilmember Ledbetter made motion to transfer the property located at the corner of Dromedary Street and Date Lane to the Woodbury Development Authority (WDA) in order for the WDA to sell the property
- Councilmember Carter seconded the motion
- All approved

MAYOR'S UPDATE

- PlanFirst Community Designation Application update
 - Ready to submit the application, if approved the city will be able to apply for CDGB grants every year

- Downtown Parking and Transportation Improvement Project Update
 - Will start in a couple of weeks

- Emergency Sewer Line pricing & Discussion
 - There were 7 companies that submitted bids on this project. The lowest bid was Crawford Grading at \$98,950.00.
 - Councilmember Ledbetter made the motion to accept the Crawford Grading bid at \$98,950
 - Councilmember Carter seconded the motion
 - All approved

- Comprehensive Plan, Line-by-line review of the Community Work Plan (5-Year Short-term Work Plan). Council was asked for input and the Mayor shared that the City is currently at 68% complete for the plan and reminded Council of the need to ask Three Rivers Regional Commission for support in updating the CWP.

- The City received bids for repairing the 2 sets of tennis courts located on Main Street, the lowest bid was \$98,000
 - Councilmember Carter made a motion to look at just paving one of the Tennis Courts, if the bid would be under \$50,000
 - Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion
 - All approved

- There has been several discussions and meetings about the AgTech Innovation Center and the possible location of the Center at George Washington Elem school.

During his visit last week, State Representative Drew Ferguson talked about allocating earmark funds for the AgTech Innovation Center. The City should invest money to bring the Center to Woodbury. The City of Luthersville voted during their April 2021 City Council meeting to donate \$500 toward a grant writer.

- Councilmember Carter made the motion that the AgTech Center will benefit the entire community and would bring much needed jobs [about 100 employees] and the city should pay the money for a grant writer
- Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion
- Councilmember Gates- yes
- Councilmember Garrett opposed
- Motion carried

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

- Police Department – Chief Smart Web [copy of Police report on file]
- Public Works – Stacy Phillips [copy of Public Works report on file]
- Water & Sewer – Cody Kelly: The City continues having trouble with people flushing clothes, baby wipes, and grease down the drain. This is causing damage to the sewer pumps. Georgia power had a transformer blow-up and damaged one of the generators and we had to have an emergency repair to the generator.
- City Clerk – Angel Fowler [copy of City Hall report on file]

SPECIAL COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Woodbury Development Authority – Kera Summers, Chairperson: Paparella’s Pizzeria is opening next month; the DDA is working with an architect and private investors to construct loft apartments in the upstairs of the 1911 Building; and, the WDA is discussing what business owners may place on the sidewalks.
- Planning & Zoning Commission – Vicky Matthews, Secretary [copy of the P&Z report on file]
- Historic Preservation Commission – Candy Head, Chairperson: Updated Council on Certified Local Government application. “All the blurbs for the properties in the downtown area are finished and the application is ready to be submitted,” said Candy Head.
 - Councilmember Carter made the motion to submit the application
 - Councilmember Garrett seconded the motion
 - All approved

ALCOHOL LICENSE

- Kim Smith dba Paparella’s Pizzeria
 - Councilmember Carter made motion to approve the alcohol license for Paparella’s Pizzeria
 - Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion
 - All approved

- Christy & Justin Collins dba The Blackbird on Main, LLC
 - Councilmember Carter made the motion to approve the Alcohol License for The Blackbird on Main, LLC
 - Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion
 - All approved

TRI-CITY HOUSING-APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD

- Ms. Vicki Alston, Executive Director

Ms. Alston was asked to attend the Council meeting to discuss the appointment of a resident from Woodbury to the Tri-City Housing Authority Board. Ms. Alston presented the council with the by-laws of Tri-City Housing for their records. Ms. Alston indicated that one person that is currently on the board is a resident of the Housing Authority, but they need a second person appointed by Council. The Council decided not to reappoint Ms. Whitehead. Ms. Alston advised the council that Ms. Whitehead never showed up for any of the meetings and that she was glad the Council was making a new appointment.

Councilmember Carter recommended that the Mayor appoint Ms. Carolyn Ellison to the Tri-City Housing Authority Board. The Mayor agreed and offered Ms. Carolyn Ellison as his appointee to the Tri-City Housing Authority Board.

 - Councilmember Carter made a motion to accept the Mayor’s nomination
 - Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion
 - All approved

COLLETTE BERREYESSA-PROPOSED SENIOR CENTER

Ms. Berreyessa spoke approximately 8 minutes about a Senior Center at the George E Washington Elementary School, that she could make into a “mega-center” for seniors. She indicated that she has spoken with Abby Cox, [Director of the Department of Human Services, Division of Aging Services (DAS)] who has ensured her that funds are available for such a center. Ms. Berreyessa stated she has the education to operate such a facility.

When asked by Councilmember Garrett, Ms. Berreyessa stated that she did not have any documentation for council, but she would be able to provide the documents for Council to review.

Ms. Berreyessa advised the council she was disappointed the council decided to move forward with using taxpayer’s money to fund a grant writer for the AgTech Innovation Center. She wanted the council to think about if they wanted a Senior Center or an AgTech Innovation Center to be located in the elementary school.

CAROLYN ELLISON-APPLICATION FOR WOODBURY DAY, JUNE 19, 2021

Ms. Ellison made application for “Woodbury Day.” The event, if approved would be held on Saturday, June 19, 2021 from 1:00 pm until 8:00 pm. Ms. Ellison provided a copy of

an insurance policy for the Special Event and a list of Organizers. She also indicated that she paid for the permit and police staffing, paid for porta-potty's, and scheduled a clean-up crew.

The Mayor asked Chief Web for his recommendation to Council. Chief Web advised the Council during the past there were issues because there was no one taking responsibility or being held accountable for the event and, ultimately, the event got out of hand. Chief Web stated that he will be working closely with event sponsors to make this a fun time for the citizens. Chief Web assured Council there will be no alcohol sold or provided at the event and all officers will be on duty.

- Councilmember Carter made the motion to approve the Special Event: Woodbury Day
- Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion
- All approved

SUB-DIVISION ORDINANCE DISCUSSION

1ST Reading

LEGAL UPDATE – City Attorney, Danielle Sewell

Amendment of Charter Article I, Sections 20 – 25

1st Reading

Will be published in The Vindicator newspaper for 3 weeks

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carolyn Ellison spoke to Council in favor of an AgTech Innovation Center. If the AgTech Innovation Center does not happen, then maybe Council should consider something for the youth. Where is Collette going to get the money? If there was money available there would already be something at the school. This is not an “I” project. This is a “we” and a community project.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS

Councilmember Garrett:

- “The City does not own the George E Washington Elementary School.”
- “Replace the flag at flagpole at Durand Street.”
- “Should not have to read a new ordinance in meeting.”
- “I want to address a complaint I received from a citizen where we have people working for the City without a license. Specifically, contractors working without state license.”

Councilmember Ledbetter:

- "I want to remind everyone about Peaches & Pines scheduled for June 12th."
- "I also want to let everyone know that we will have spaces available on May 1st the same weekend as the Cotton Picken' Fair. If you're interested in having space, please contact City Hall."

Councilmember Carter:

- "Mayor, I would like to have Janice Owens on the board for the AgTech Innovation Center. She would like to be on the board, and I think she would do a great job."

ADJOURNMENT-TIME 7:40 PM



Steve Ledbetter, PhD, Mayor



Angel Fowler, City Clerk



City Clerks Report

April 19th, 2021

Special Funds Review

Account	Total in 2020	2021 to date	On Hand
SPLOST	\$62,022.26	\$23,711.55	\$85,733.81
T-SPLOST	\$54,315.92	\$20,697.01	\$42,012.93
Greenrock Sewer Dumps	\$138,167.54	\$82,542.81	-\$18,062.06

The next couple of months the city will have all the monies to completely pay for the Downtown Paving Project with SPLOST and TSPLOST.

One more month and the meter replacement program will be paid for

Signage for Dedication of Water Treatment Plant

At the March council meeting, council approved for the city staff to spend up to \$3,400 on lettering for the dedication of the water plant to Mr. Robert Lovett. The city received 4 bids, with one bidder offering 3 options:

- East Point Foundry \$2,709.00
- Leeds Architectural Letters \$3,454.00
- Keypoint Signs \$4,126.81
- Alpharetta Sign \$4,248.75
- Alpharetta Sign \$5,010.53
- Alpharetta Sign \$5,353.25

The city contract with East Point Foundry to fulfill this project.

The city staff is coordinating with Robert Lovett, Jimmy Matthews [GRWA], Rick Jeffares [J&T Environmental], and TEAM Woodbury to set a date for the dedication.

12" ROBERT B LOVETT WATERWORKS
285"

Proof #7390 Woodbury GA Waterworks Lettering

Approved SB

Date _____



4/9/2021

I would like to address to the Woodbury council meeting on Monday the 19th of April 2021. Please add me to the agenda to address the council members.

Proposed Senior Center.

Collette Berreyessa



**Public Hearing
April 19, 2021
5:00 pm**

ALCOHOL SALES HEARING:

Kim Smith dba Paparella's Pizza

Christy & Justin Collins dba The Blackbird on Main, LLC

Open Hearing for Paparella's Pizza

Time: 5:02 pm

Councilmember Carter made motion to open Public Hearing

Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion

All approved

No one participated in the Public Hearing for Paparella's Pizza

Councilmember Carter made motion to close Public Hearing

Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion

All approved

Time 5:03

Open Hearing for The Blackbird on Main, LLC

Time 5:03 pm

Councilmember Carter made motion to open Public Hearing

Councilmember Gates seconded the motion

All approved

No one participated in the Public Hearing for The Blackbird on Main, LLC

Councilmember Carter made motion to close Public Hearing

Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion

All approved

Time 5:04 pm

Councilmember Carter made motion to Adjourn

Councilmember Ledbetter seconded the motion

All approved

Time 5:05 pm

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Police Department Report – April 19, 2021



During the month of March 2021, the Woodbury Police Department worked to resolve the calls for service for our citizens. According to our 911, CAD dispatch reports we were dispatched and answered approximately 181 calls for service ranging from “meet in person, suspicious activity, alarm, medical, reckless driving, damage to property, threats, civil service, domestic, follow ups, burglary, request extra patrol, house check, mechanical breakdown, unruly juvenile.

The Woodbury Police Department issued approximately 108 citations and 115 warnings. Our Department had two safety checkpoints.

The Woodbury Police Department utilized community service details to clean city streets, clean around city hall.

On March 30, 2021, the Woodbury Police Department in conjunction with FAT food ministry were able to provide our citizens with 300 boxes which consisted of meat, vegetables, and dairy products. I would like to thank Allen Kendrick and Doug Mathews for providing transportation to pick up and load this huge load of food for our citizens.

I would like to recognize The Boy Scouts of America Pack #104 for volunteering their outstanding service in helping with the community cleanup day organized by the Woodbury Police Department on March 20, 2021.

CITATION STATISTICS

■ Woodbury, GA ■ Other Cities & States

