



**Blakely City Council Meeting
Minutes**

May 4, 2010

City Hall Annex

6:00 P.M.

I) Call to Order, Invocation, Roll Call

Mayor Ric Hall called the meeting to order. Councilman Torre' Mills gave the invocation. Mayor Ric Hall, Councilman Torre' Mills, Councilman Al Hutchins, Councilman Andy Smith and Councilman Charles Middleton were all present. Also present were the City Attorney, Flynn Coleman, the City Clerk, Melinda Crook and the Utility Director Charles Jenkins.

II) Approve Minutes

A motion was made by Councilman Al Hutchins and seconded by Councilman Charles Middleton to approve the April 6th Minutes. The motion carried

III) Citizens and Delegations

Carolyn Adams – High Utility Bills Not Present

Darrell Alexander – Community Development Project

Mr. Alexander came before the Council to inform them of the Community Development Project that would create job and help stimulate growth. He informed the Council that this was a faith based non-profit project. He informed the Council that there would be grant funding. This project would include medical & dental facilities, day care, recreation center, shelter for the homeless, a domestic violence center, assistance to the elderly, such as meals on wheels and others areas of community assistance.

Paul Simonton was present and gave a slide presentation to the Council showing where the Water Treatment Plant was to where it is at the present time after most of the work being completed. He then answered questions from the Council and public.

IV) Administrative Committee Reports

Adoption of Written Safety Policy

A motion was made by Councilman Andy Smith and seconded by Councilman Charles Middleton to adopt the Written Safety Policy presented by the Utility Director at the April Council meeting. The motion carried.

First Reading of Ordinance to Adopt State Minimum Fire Safety Standards

There was a first reading of an Ordinance to Adopt State Minimum Fire Safety Standards

IT12 Loader at Landfill

The Mayor informed the Council of the transmission problems of the IT12 and the age of the equipment. He also informed the Council that this was an item split with the County and that it was not an item in the budget. A motion was made by Councilman Charles Middleton and seconded by Councilman Andy Smith to purchase a new IT12 not to exceed \$107,000. The motion carried.

V) City Attorney's Report

VI) City Clerk's Report

Financial reports were provided to the Council. The Council was informed that the audit had started.

VII) New Items Proposed By Mayor and City Council

Hours of Operation for Washington Park The Council decided to table the hours of operation for Washington Park due to the feeling that further study was needed.

Mixed Drink Referendum The Mayor asked the Council to think about, for the next meeting, adding a Mixed Drink Referendum to the ballot for the election being held in 2009. He informed the Council that he had been approached about this issue at the Public Safety meeting.

Request To Move Two Trailers from Tall Pines Trailer Park There was discussion between the Council on the situation of trailers that are over 15 yrs old and have to be moved from trailers parks due to property owners tell them to vacate. There was discussion with the public. The Council determined that at the present time with the present ordinance the City could do nothing to assist in this situation.

Public Safety Budget The Council tabled this item to readdress at the next meeting.

There was discussion between the Council regarding the progress of the Swimming Pool.

There was discussion between the Council on the Community Meeting that was held regarding the Civic Center and some of the suggestions that had been present. Councilman Mills informed the Council that he would get more information and recommendations together to bring back to the Council.

VIII) Public Comments

IX) Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilman Charles Middleton and seconded by Councilman Torre' Mills to adjourn the May 4th City Council meeting. The motion carried.

Ric Hall, Mayor