

The Mayor and Council met for a called meeting.

Those Present:	Greg Thompson	Mayor
	Wayne Adcock	Vice-Mayor
	Lee Malcom	Council Member
	Denise Dixon	Council Member
	Rita Scott	Council Member
	Nathan Little	Council Member
	Jimmy Richardson	Council Member
	Matthew Chancey	City Administrator
	Renee Prather	City Clerk

Absent:	Nathan Purvis	Council Member
	Larry Bradley	Council Member

Staff Present: Danny Smith, Jeremiah Still, Keith Glass, Rodney Middlebrooks, Brian Thompson, Patrick Kelly

Visitors: Raquel Willis, Sadie Krawczyk, David Jahns, Patrice Broughton, Leon Boyce

I. CALL TO ORDER – GREG THOMPSON

1. Roll Call

Mayor Thompson noted that Council Member Nathan Purvis and Council Member Larry Bradley were absent. There was a quorum.

II. DEPARTMENT REPORTS

1. July Monthly Reports

The Department heads presented the monthly reports.

III. COMMITTEE INFORMATION

1. Finance

No Items Scheduled.

2. Airport

a. Discussion – Airport Commission

City Administrator Matthew Chancey gave an update on the runway and taxi area restriping. He stated they are scheduled to start on the parking area on Monday with the runway and taxi area starting in two weeks. The extension of Richard Parsons Drive is also wrapping up. Mr. Chancey discussed the Airport Commission Ordinance Draft under Items of Discussion. He proposed having a five member board or committee to meet some of the general maintenance and other needs at the airport. They would oversee and also recommend policies on behalf of the airport. The people suggested to be on this board should be at the airport on a day to day basis either owning a business or a plane. They would have interactions at the airport in order to see the needs from their daily duties.

No Action.

3. Public Works

No Items Scheduled.

4. Utilities

a. Discussion / Approval – Fiber & Remote Switch CIP Project

Mr. Brian Thompson explained that a fiber rebuild and data hub / remote switching to be part of the Capital Improvement Projects. The fiber rebuild would go from George Walton Academy to D & L Grocery on Highway 78. He stated there to be a possibility of the City going in with Walton County on a Fiber Optic Agreement. It would be using the Meridian Park Recreation Center building in Loganville, off of Georgia 20. Mr. Thompson is requesting to purchase the fiber, from Ga Underground, for the amount of \$30,240.00.

Council Member Nathan Little explained the Utility Committee does not have a quorum in order to have a vote.

No Action.

5. Public Safety

a. Approval – FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant

Chief Keith Glass explained the Fire Department has been awarded a FEMA Assistance to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$19,600.00 with the City to provide a 5% match of \$980.00. The grant funds will be used to purchase two thermal imaging cameras. The cameras are used to find victims in smoke filled homes as well as hot spots within buildings.

To accept the grant with the City to contribute the \$980.00 match.

*Motion by Little, seconded by Malcom.
Passed Unanimously.*

6. Economic Development

Economic Development Specialist Sadie Krawczyk gave an update. She stated there were thirteen events held downtown in May, some of which were sponsored by private individuals or organizations. The Sparrow Hill Inn has opened.

IV. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

1. Appointments (2) – Library Board
2. Airport Commission Ordinance

There was a general discussion on the above item. There was no action taken.

V. ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION

1. Approval – Intergovernmental Fiber Optic Access Agreement

Mr. Brian Thompson discussed the agreement with Walton County for fiber optic access. The agreement would allow the City to use the Meridian Park Recreation Center in Loganville to install, operate, and maintain a fiber optic cable network switch. The agreement would be for a twenty-five year period.

Council Member Little questioned there being any additional expense to be incurred by the City on the project.

Mr. Thompson explained the switch to be the main purchase and there to be a possibility of needing to install a small natural gas generator. The County will take care of the heating & cooling as well as the utility bill.

To approve the Intergovernmental Fiber Optic Access Agreement with Walton County, Georgia.

*Motion by Little, seconded by Adcock.
Passed Unanimously.*

VI. ADJOURN

*Motion by Dixon, seconded by Scott.
Passed Unanimously.*


MAYOR


CITY CLERK