



**City of Flowery Branch
City Council Meeting
May 21, 2020 6:00 pm
City of Flowery Branch City Hall
5410 Pine Street, Flowery Branch GA, 30542**



CALL WORK SESSION TO ORDER:

PRESENT: Mayor James Miller, Joe Anglin, Leslie Jarchow, Amy Farah, Chris Mundy, Ed Asbridge

Also present were Ron Bennett, City Attorney, Vickie Short, City Clerk
Alisha Gamble Finance Director

ABSENT: City Manager Bill Andrew, City Planner Rich Atkinson

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NEW BUSINESS -WORK SESSION:

Wastewater Biosolids Contract with the Lamar County Regional Solid Waste Authority

Wastewater Biosolids Contract with the Oak Grove Landfill

Ms. Alisha Gamble presented these two contracts to Council combined. Staff is working on a transition plan to provide our sludge disposal beginning July 1. The sludge contract is ending with Hall County. Mrs. Gamble explained that the current yearly cost is \$26,000. The new contract will have a significant cost increase with a change of cost ranging from \$150,000 to \$180,000. The City must provide an alternative plan to be in compliance with State of Georgia

deadlines. Councilman Anglin asked about how the City will adjust budget wise on this. Ms. Gamble will check on this and get back with Council.

Debbie Lane Water Line Upgrade Construction Bid Award & Authority for the Mayor to Sign Contract

Ms. Gamble presented the Debbie Lane Water Line Upgrade Construction Bid. Staff recommends awarding to the lowest bidder The Dickerson Group, for a total of \$132,090 and authority for the Mayor to sign the contract. Staff would like to have this approved as soon as possible. The funding for this item from the water/sewer capital projects fund. Brief discussion regarding the large differences between cost of the bids. City Attorney Ron Bennett explained the bid process.

Consider elevations submitted for approval by Mr. Gee Harvey for the Bell Road subdivision

City Attorney Ron Bennett presented additional revised elevations as part of the detail plan book. Councilman Ed Asbridge pointed out that the additions seem very similar to the Summit Lake development. Mr. Harvey explained they plan to be with the same requirements as set out. The consensus was that they were not within our expectations. Mr. Harvey has agreed to make some additional modifications on the units.

Consider Beer and Wine License for the Circle K Gas Station at 5775 Phil Niekro Blvd.

City Clerk Vickie Short presented the application for a new Beer and Wine License for Good Luck 4, LLC dba Circle K Gas station. The application has been processed and reviewed and is in order for the council's approval.

Review of Roadbotics Study and Implications for Road Maintenance in our Capital Improvement Program Budget - Rich Edinger, Clark Patterson Lee

Rich Edinger with Clark, Patterson and Lee presented a slide presentation for review of a study that was commissioned to determine the status of a future Road Maintenance. It was determined that network wide roads were in good condition. 82% of our roads are within good to excellent 13% fair, and 5% poor. A six-year paving plan was presented. The plan was to estimate \$1m a year as a way to determine a plan to get this started. The City needs a plan to pave roads within a six-year time frame to correspond with SPLOST funding. It is recommended this technology is utilized every three years to determine if we are on the right path.

There was then a brief discussion regarding the difference between overlay and patching. Councilman Anglin asked Ms. Gamble if the budget amount of \$1,000,000 would be able to happen. According to the Finance Director, LMIG and SPLOST VIII, will help with this cost.

Resolution 20-014 a request for road abandonment by NNP-Looper Lake, LLC.

Mr. Bennett presented the aerial footage of the Cherokee Rose cut through. NNP-Looper Lake, LLC would like to abandon the current plan and make it into a cul de sac. Councilman Asbridge asked about the exact location of this street. Brief discussion regarding the history of this street. Councilman Anglin asked about the connectivity between those homes and the amenities.

Applying for the Tree City USA Program

Rich Edinger presented the Tree City USA Program. With the City's current developments, a large amount of our tree canopy is disappearing. Councilman Anglin asked if there is a minimum tree canopy percentage. This program does not require a minimum but the City could include this in an ordinance. Councilperson Jarchow asked about how the tree board would be established. Funding is population based.

Consider Resolution 20-015 a request to abandon Bragg Road.

Mr. Bennett reviewed the request to abandon Bragg Road. Bragg Road is included as a potential route for the future Highlands to Islands Trail. Bragg Road runs between Blackjack and Capitola Farm Road. This will allow the City to retain a 20 ft right-of-way for trail construction. This abandonment will lead to payment of \$320,000 for the value of the remaining right-of-way. Councilman Ed Asbridge asked if the Highlands to Islands Trail had been approved yet. Mr. Bennett explained that it has not been approved. The only thing the City would be responsible for would be the 20 ft strip. This will not be on the voting session tonight. It will be on the June 4, 2020 Voting Session.

Service contract proposal for Pall Aria Micro-Filtration System

Ms. Gamble presented the service contract proposal. She discussed the history of the Pall filters purchased with SPLOST funds. This service contract is key to the longevity of the filters, thus saving the City money. These expenses are already in the budget. The contract will begin July 1st 2020. They are the only vendor for this service so a Request for Proposal was not necessary. Staff requests approval for the Mayor to sign the Annual Service Contract with Pall Corporation Contract #33102018-77466DSP.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

City Manager Report:

City Attorney presented the status of The Residential Group with slides. We will be reviewing the elevations on June 1, 2020 at 11:30 am Go To Meeting. If more than three council members plan on attending the meeting, please let the City Clerk know as this presents a quorum.

Finance Director:

Finance Director Alisha Gamble will be getting with the Council soon on the Capital Projects information for the budget once it is reviewed with the City Manager.

Mayor Report:

Mayor Miller stated that the Police Department has been participating in the Birthday Parades within our City Limits as well as outside city limits. Thanks to the Chief and all the officers for participating in this.

ADJOURNMENT WORK SESSION:

Mayor Miller adjourned the work session at 7:30 pm.

CALL VOTING SESSION TO ORDER:

Mayor Miller called the voting session to order at 7:30 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Consider Beer and Wine License for the Circle K Gas Station at 5775 Phil Niekro Blvd.
- Per Diem-James Miller

There was a motion made to approve Consent Agenda:

MOTION: Chris Mundy

SECOND: Joe Anglin

AYES: Joe Anglin, Leslie Jarchow, Amy Farah, Chris Mundy, Ed Asbridge

NAYS: None

Motion carried

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - VOTING SESSION:

Consider Formal Financial Policies: Expenditures Policy and Capital Policy

There was a motion made to approve the Expenditures Policy and Capital Policy as presented.

MOTION: Joe Anglin

SECOND: Ed Asbridge

AYES: Joe Anglin, Leslie Jarchow, Amy Farah, Chris Mundy, Ed Asbridge

NAYS: None

Motion carried

Consider - 2nd Reading of Ordinance # 587; an annexation request submitted by All Awesome properties to bring a .96 +/- acre tract of land known as 6490 McEver Road into the corporate City-limits of Flowery Branch.

Withdrawn by applicant.

Consider - 2nd Reading of Ordinance # 588; an annexation request submitted by Whitehorse, LLC.to bring an 8.84 +/- acre tract of land known as 6509 McEver Road into the corporate City-limits of Flowery Branch.

No longer eligible to be annexed as it cannot be contiguous with the City of Flowery Branch.

Consider - 2nd Reading of Ordinance # 589; an annexation request submitted by Whitehorse, LLC.to bring an 34.5 +/- acre tract of land known as 6533 McEver Road into the corporate City-limits of Flowery Branch.

No longer eligible to be annexed as it cannot be contiguous with the City of Flowery Branch.

Consider - 2nd Reading of Ordinance #591 a request to rezone 6409 McEver Road from Hall County ARIII to Flowery Branch PUD.

Withdrawn by applicant.

Consider - 2nd Reading of Ordinance #592 a request to rezone 6509 McEver Road from Hall County HB to Flowery Branch PUD.

No longer eligible to be rezoned as it is not in the City limits.

Consider - 2nd Reading of Ordinance #593 a request to rezone 6533 McEver Road from Hall County ARIII to Flowery Branch PUD.

No longer eligible to be rezoned as it cannot be contiguous with the City of Flowery Branch.

NEW BUSINESS - VOTING SESSION:

Wastewater Biosolids Contract with the Lamar County Regional Solid Waste Authority

There was a motion made to approve the Contract with Lamar County Regional Waste Authority.

MOTION: Leslie Jarchow

SECOND: Ed Asbridge

AYES: Joe Anglin, Leslie Jarchow, Amy Farah, Chris Mundy, Ed Asbridge

NAYS: None

Motion carried

Wastewater Biosolids Contract with the Oak Grove Landfill

There was a motion made to approve the contract with the Oak Grove Landfill.

MOTION: Amy Farah

SECOND: Leslie Jarchow

AYES: Joe Anglin, Leslie Jarchow, Amy Farah, Chris Mundy, Ed Asbridge

NAYS: None

Motion carried

Debbie Lane Water Line Upgrade Construction Bid Award & Authority for the Mayor to Sign Contract

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MOTION: Amy Farah

SECOND: Leslie Jarchow

AYES: Joe Anglin, Leslie Jarchow, Amy Farah, Chris Mundy, Ed Asbridge

NAYS: None

Motion carried

Resolution 20-014 a request for road abandonment by NNP-Looper Lake, LLC.

There was a motion made to postpone until June 4th meeting.

MOTION: Joe Anglin

SECOND: Amy Farah

AYES: Joe Anglin, Leslie Jarchow, Amy Farah, Chris Mundy, Ed Asbridge

NAYS: None

Motion carried

Service contract proposal for Pall Aria Micro-Filtration System

There was a motion made to approve the Mayor's signature the Annual Service Contract with Pall Corporation Contract #33102018-77466DSP.

MOTION: Amy Farah

SECOND: Leslie Jarchow

AYES: Joe Anglin, Leslie Jarchow, Amy Farah, Chris Mundy, Ed Asbridge

NAYS: None

Motion carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION: There was no Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

There was a motion made to adjourn at 8:01pm.

MOTION: Amy Farah

SECOND: Ed Asbridge

AYES: Joe Anglin, Leslie Jarchow, Amy Farah, Chris Mundy, Ed Asbridge

NAYS: None

Motion carried

Mayor – Mike Miller

Date

City Clerk – Vickie Short