



**CITY OF FAIRBURN
City Council Meeting Minutes
City Hall
56 Malone Street
Fairburn, GA 30213
July 14, 2014
7:00 P.M.**

The Honorable Mayor Mario Avery

The Honorable Ron Alderman
The Honorable Elizabeth Hurst
The Honorable Lydia Glaize

The Honorable Alex Heath
The Honorable Marian Johnson
The Honorable Hattie Portis-Jones

City Administrator:
City Clerk:
City Attorney:

Mr. Tom B. Barber
Mrs. Brenda B. James
Mr. Randy Turner

- I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER: By Honorable Mario Avery.**
- II. ROLL CALL:** All Members of Council were present which constituted a quorum.
- III. PESENTATIONS AND AWARDS:**

Mayor Avery read the following Proclamation for Safe Digging Day into the Minutes:

August 11, 2014

WHEREAS, Thousands of times each year, the underground infrastructure in Georgia is a damaged by those who do not have underground lines located prior to digging, resulting in service interruption, environmental damage and threat to public safety; and

WHEREAS, In 2005, the Federal Communications Commission designated 811 to provide contractors and homeowners a simple number to contact utility operators to request the location of underground lines at the intended dig site; and

WHEREAS, The Fulton County Utility Coordinating Committee, a stakeholder-driven organization dedicated to the prevention of damage to underground utilities in Georgia, promotes the National 811 Notification System in an effort to reduce these damages; and

WHEREAS, Damage prevention is a shared responsibility; by using safe digging

practices, the contractors and homeowners of Fairburn can save time, money and help keep our infrastructure safe and connected.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mario B. Avery, Mayor of the City of Fairburn, do hereby proclaim the 11th day of August 2014 as; Fairburn Safe Digging Day and encourage contractors and homeowners throughout Fairburn to always call 811 before digging. Safe digging is no accident!!

Mayor Avery gave an update of the mid-year review for 2014. He spoke about the following items:

1. New Senior Housing Project
2. Gateway into Fairburn/ between Union City and the City of Fairburn
3. Traffic School at the Fairburn Educational Campus
4. Bond Rating Increase from BBB to AA which equals (600-BBB to 750 AA)

New Infrastructural Projects

- 1) New Classroom Building at Fairburn Educational Campus
- 2) New Stage and Courtyard
- 3) Oakley Road Widening
- 4) Sidewalks
- 5) LIMG- Ninety-one miles of streets (Aggressive Project)
- 6) Duncan Park Improvements
- 7) Campus Parking Lot
- 8) Hwy 85/74 interchange

Mayor Avery introduced the Department Heads.

Council Member Glaize said the Mayor and Council will continue to move forward. She said they would like the citizens to know what training and accomplishments they are receiving.

Council Member Glaize announced that Council Member Portis-Jones received a certificate for attending and completing the Robert E. Knox Municipal Training Institute.

Council Member Glaize presented a certificate to Council Member Heath that he received in Savannah at the Georgia Municipal Convention for competing 72 or more hours of training which means he has completed Level III Training.

Finally, Council Member Glaize and the other Council Members presented Mayor Avery with a framed copy of an ad they did for him when he was honored by the Virginia Union Alumni Association for his community service. She said we see his accomplishments, but now we know others see what he does outside this venue.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

1. Ryan Claunch, 156 Durham Lakes Parkway, Fairburn, GA. 30213, said he is the new General Manager for the Durham Lakes Golf Course and wants this to become a Premier Golf Area. He said he supports the Boys and Girls Club and he will be hosting a Celebrity Golf Tournament.
2. Andrew Whitmore, 25 Somerset Hills, Fairburn, GA. 30213 said they are building homes at Durham Lakes Subdivision and the price point is \$235,000.00. He also spoke about the Fee Structure for the park. He said he is opposed to outside people using the fields for no charge.
3. Horace Cooper, 880 Buckingham Cove, Fairburn, GA. said he oppose renting out the baseball field. He said we should build the program for the residents of the City of Fairburn and let renting it be the last option.

V. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Council Member Heath made a motion to approve the Agenda placing items 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, and 10 on the Consent Agenda. Council Member Glaize provided the second. **The motion carried.**

VI. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS:

Council Member Alderman made a motion to approve the following Consent items:

1. Approval of the Resolution Authorizing the Call of a Special Election in the City of Fairburn, November 4, 2014.
2. Approved the Amendment to Lease with Georgia Military College.
3. Approved the Sub-Lease by Brenau University to Helix Education, Inc.
8. Approved the Ratify Resolution and Agreement-CDBG Program 2015-2017 with the Board of Commissioners of Fulton County, Georgia. The estimated Program Funding is \$50,000 per year for three years for the City of Fairburn's continued participation in the Federal CDBG Program.
9. Approved the Agreement for 2014-2015 CDBG Grant with a total estimated budget of \$59,350 over FY14 & 15(\$53,750 CDBG + \$5,600 General Fund).
10. Approved the Change Order #4 for Duncan Park reducing the contract amount by \$9,400.72 to a total of \$2,062,850.28.

Council Member Johnson provided the second. **The motion carried.**

VII. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES: City Council Meeting Minutes of

June 9, 2014 and Special Called Meeting of June 13, 2014

Council Member Portis-Jones made a motion to approve the Minutes of June 9, 2014 with Council Member Hurst making corrections on page 3; add the word accept and page 13, 2nd sentence from bottom change the word chose to choose. Council Member Johnson provided the second. **The motion carried.**

Council Member Alderman made a motion to approve the Minutes of June 13, 2014 with Council Member Glaize making corrections on page 1, change the word brining to bringing and change the word pro-rate to pro-rated. Council Member Glaize provided the second. **The motion carried.**

VIII. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS:

4. Establish Fees for the 2014-2015 School Year After-School Program

Council Member Glaize made a motion to approve the Establish Fees for the 2014-2015 School Year After-School Program changing required proof of residency from 3 items to 2 items, remove Bank Statement and add Mortgage or Rental Agreement. Council Member Hurst provided the second. **The motion carried.**

5. Agreement between the City of Fairburn and MYSCOUTDAY Athletics, Inc.

Council Member Johnson made a motion to approve the agreement. **The motion died for the lack of a second.** Council Member Glaize made a motion to have a committee which is a group of residents to get involved and get the input from the community as to what programs or exactly what the citizens want to have at Duncan Park; and bring it back to Council. Council Member Hurst provided the second.

Council Member Heath asked if we are asking for a Community Committee. He said South Fulton Little League Ball Fields are not used.

Council Member Johnson said we do not have a Recreation Department.

Council Member Glaize said we need to have a Recreation Department.

Council Member Jones said there needs to be a strategic plan.

City Administrator Tom Barber asked if this means we do not want to do a contract with Fairburn Flames or South Fulton Little League at this time.

Council Member Glaize said that is not what she is saying she was talking about programs, what the citizens want to see and getting the citizens involved.

Mayor Avery said we do not have a Recreation Department, but the professional service is right here at City Hall.

Council Member Johnson said it looks like a long range of plans.

The motion carried with Council Members Glaize, Hurst and Jones voting “Yes” and Council Members Johnson, Alderman and Heath voting “No”. Mayor Avery broke the tie and voted “Yes.”

6. Professional Services Agreement with All-Star Field

Council Member Hurst made a motion to pull the Professional Services Agreement with All-Star Field from the Agenda with Council Member Heath providing the second. **The motion carried.**

7. Intergovernmental Agreement with Fulton County for Animal Control Services

Council Member Heath made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Fulton County for Animal Control Service in an amount of \$52,058.72 for the provision of Animal Control Services for three years effective July 1, 2014. Council Member Portis-Jones provided the second. **The motion carried.**

11. Change Order #1- LCI Design Services

Council Member Portis-Jones made a motion to approve Change Order #1- LCI Design Services with Stantec in the amount of \$10,045.00 resulting in an increase in the contract amount to \$628,866.92. Council Member Heath provided the second. **The motion carried.**

12. Site Improvements Around the Police Station and Fire Station

Council Member Glaize made a motion to approve the Site Improvements at the Police Station and Fire Station with Council Member Heath providing the second. **The motion carried.**

13. MEAG Contract to remove poles and lines

Council Member Alderman made a motion to approve the MEAG Contract to remove poles and lines and authorize the Mayor to sign the Contract for Fairburn Utilities to remove MEAG’s 46k V-Lines and Poles for a fee of \$10.00 with Council Member Portis-Jones providing the second.

Council Member Heath asked what this would cost the City and would the Contract include time and equipment lines going underground.

City Administrator Tom Barber said this is to drop the lines on front of the property.

Council Member Portis-Jones asked how much does it cost the city for staff time and use of the City equipment. Mr. Barber said this is not a part of Prestwick and there will be no overtime. It will just become one of their Utility Department Projects. Council Member Portis-Jones asked if there are any opportunities from Georgia DOT and since it was about Senior Housing could HUD assist them.

Mayor Avery said the street belongs to DOT. Council Member Johnson asked about the map entrance for Senoia Road. **After the discussion the motion carried.**

14. GEFA Grant Application Ratification

Council Member Glaize made a motion to approve the GEFA Grant Application Ratification with Council Member Hurst providing the second. **The motion carried.**

15. Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Sam's Petting Zoo for the Fairburn Fairburn Festival

Council Member Heath made a motion to approve the Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Sam's Petting Zoo in the amount of \$870.00 for the Fairburn Festival with Council Member Glaize providing the second. **The motion carried.**

Council Member Heath asked about the budget. Mr. Barber said there is a \$20,000.00 budget.

Council Member Hurst asked if we were getting any assistance from the Businesses.

Dr. Parks said we have seven sponsors so far and \$8,400.00 in promissory.

16. Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Drew Brown for the Fairburn Festival

Council Member Glaize made a motion to approve the Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Drew Brown for the Fairburn Festival in the amount of \$600.00 with Council Member Portis-Jones providing the second. **The motion carried.**

17. Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Mike Watson Band for the Fairburn Festival

Council Member Heath made a motion to approve the Performance Agreement

between the City of Fairburn and Mike Watson Band in the amount of \$900.00 for the Fairburn Festival with Council Member Glaize providing the second. **The motion carried.**

18. Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Philip Anthony Morris for the Fairburn Festival

Council Member Hurst made a motion to approve the Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Philip Anthony Morris for the Fairburn Festival in the amount of \$700.00 with Council Member Portis-Jones providing the second. **The motion carried.**

Council Member Hurst asked how many shows will there be. Dr. Parks said there will be shows from 12:00 noon until 3:00p.m.

19. Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Rolling Video Games for the Fairburn Festival

Council Member Heath made a motion to approve the Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Rolling Video Games for the Fairburn Festival in the amount of \$599.99 for 4 hours with Council Member Glaize providing the second. **The motion carried.**

20. Agreement between the City of Fairburn and the Family Entertainment Center for the Fairburn Festival

Council Member Glaize made a motion to approve the Agreement between the City of Fairburn and the Family Entertainment Center for the Fairburn Festival in the amount of \$2500.00 with Council Member Heath providing the second. **The motion carried.**

21. Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Mariachi Pepe Lopez for the Fairburn Festival

Council Member Portis Jones made a motion to approve the Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Mariachi Pepe Lopez for the Fairburn Festival in the amount of \$500.00 with Council Member Johnson providing the second. **The motion carried.**

22. Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Rhythma Studios and Endless Entertainment for the Fairburn Festival

Council Member Johnson made a motion to approve the Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Rhythma Studios and Endless Entertainment for the Fairburn Festival in the amount of \$250.00 with Council Member Glaize providing the second. **The motion carried.**

23. Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Entertainment Referral Newtwork, Inc. for the Fairburn Festival

Council Member Glaize made a motion to approve the Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Entertainment Referral Newtwork, Inc. in the amount of \$200.00 for the Fairburn Festival with Council Member Portis- Jones providing the second. **The motion carried.**

24. Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Second to None Band for the Fairburn Festival

Council Member Glaize made a motion to approve the Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Second to None Band for the Fairburn Festival in the amount of \$1,000.00 with Council Member Portis-Jones providing the second. **The motion carried.**

Council Member Portis-Jones said we should put a schedule on the website saying what time each band will be performing and a list all activities.

25. Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Hunter Flanagan for the Fairburn Festival

Council Member Alderman made a motion to approve the Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Hunter Flanagan by and through Patricia Lyons, Managing Partner Agent for this artist to perform at the Fairburn Festival in the amount of \$200.00 with Council Glaize providing the second. **The motion carried.**

26. Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Janis Hasting for the Fairburn Festival

Council Member Hurst made a motion to approve the Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Janis Hasting for the Fairburn Festival in the amount of \$300.00 with Council Member Heath providing the second. **The motion carried.**

27. Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Phyl Macon for the Fairburn Festival

Council Member Portis Jones made a motion to approve the Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Phyl Macon for the Fairburn Festival in the amount of \$700.00 with Council Member Heath providing the second. **The motion carried.**

28. Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Jeff Couch for

the Summer Music Series Concert

Council Member Glaize made a motion to approve the Performance Agreement between the City of Fairburn and Jeff Couch in the amount of \$550.00 for the Summer Music Series Concert on September 20, 2014 at 7:00pm with Council Member Johnson providing the second. **The motion carried.**

Council Member Hurst said Jeff Couch is a Member of the Development Authority and she wanted to make sure anyone else on a Board or Commission is given the same consideration.

IX. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council Member Alderman said they had a lot to do tonight and he congratulated the Mayor and Council.

Council Member Heath thanked everyone for coming and giving him an opportunity to do and have a vision for the City.

Council Member Hurst congratulated Council Members Heath and Portis Jones.

Council Member Glaize said at her last training the former Secretary of HUD spoke on the caring of the youth. It was said when you have parks, trees, recreation and engagement crime rates are lower. She said it is an honor to serve and she will always be respectful and agreeable with the highest integrity. She thanked the citizens for allowing her to serve.

Council Member Johnson said she went to the Atlanta Dream game and met Angel McCoughtry and her parents who are residents of Fairburn.

Council Member Portis-Jones said she went to the game also and thanked Angel McCoughtry's parents for inviting them. She said at her training in Savannah it was also about the youths and we must get them on the right path. She spoke on the Senior Housing groundbreaking and congratulated the new General Manager of Durham Lakes Golf Course. She thanked the Department Heads for their reports.

Mayor Avery congratulated the Mayor and Council for all their training. He said he was at the U.S. Conference of Mayors in Dallas, Texas during the GMA Conference. He said it is a great conference. He thanked the Street and Water Department for fixing the leak near Duncan Parks. He also thanked everyone who had anything to do with the Prestwick Senior Housing Project. He thanked Dr. Parks, Melody Barnes and David Smith for the movie nights.

X. ADJOURN COUNCIL MEETING:

Council Member Alderman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:35p.m. and reconvene back into Workshop with Council Member Heath providing the second.
The motion carried.

Brenda B. James City Clerk

Mario Avery, Mayor