



**CITY OF FAIRBURN**  
**City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**City Hall**  
**56 Malone Street**  
**Fairburn, GA 30213**  
**August 26, 2013**  
**7:00 P.M.**

The Honorable Mayor Mario Avery

The Honorable Ron Alderman  
The Honorable Elizabeth Hurst  
The Honorable Jean Barkley Russell

The Honorable Alex Heath  
The Honorable Marian Johnson  
The Honorable Scott Vaughan

City Administrator:  
City Clerk:  
City Attorney:

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

**I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:**

**II. ROLL CALL:**

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

1. Daisy Brown, 140 Clayton Street, Fairburn, GA. 30213 spoke on a vacant lot next to her property. She said the lot has kudzu that is spreading and taking over her property. She said she called the city about the issue and have not received a return call. She said they killed a snake on the property and found a dead fox there also. She said she keeps her property up and the vacant lot next door is an eyesore. She asked if City could assist her with this issue.

**IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**

Council Member Russell made a motion to approve the Agenda placing Items 1 through 6 on Consent Agenda with Council Member Alderman providing the second. **The motion carried.**

**V. APPROVAL OF CONSENT ITEMS:**

1. Approved the Adoption of the Bond Ordinance to Refund 2006 Utility Bonds with no immediate budgetary impact, but allows the City to skip the debt payment scheduled for October 1, 2013 from the Water/Sewer Fund.

2. Approved the Change Order #3 - Project # 11-003 Downtown Plaza and Stage with JB+A to account for the additional services associated with the Downtown Plaza Project. The changes associate with the project will result in a net increase of the overall contract amount of \$22,134.00 (13%).
3. Approved the Access Easement: Johnson Road Bridge Project. This item has no impact on the budget.
4. Approved the Memorandum of Agreement - Toilet Rebate Program with North Georgia Water Planning District for the administration of the Toilet Rebate Program. The amount to be committed annually is \$2,500.00 and is budgeted in the Water & Sewer Fund as one of the contracted services.
5. Approved the Get Your Business Online - City Challenge for the City Council to authorize the Mayor to enroll Fairburn in the City Challenge Partnership with Google's "Get Your Business Online Program". There is no cost associated to Fairburn for this partnership.
6. Approval of a Sub-Lease by Brenau University for City Council to authorize the Mayor to approve Brenau University to Sub-Lease to IDI, Inc. This item will have no direct budgetary impact on the City.

**VI. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES:** August 12, 2013 Council Meeting

Council Member Alderman made a motion to approve the August 12, 2013 Minutes with one correction on the date of the Minutes; change August 26, 2013 to August 12, 2013 with Council Member Russell provided the second. **The motion carried.**

**VII. COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Council Member Alderman had no comments.

Council Member Heath said that the Homesafe Program is available for those individuals who have lost their jobs. He said they can receive up to 18 months of mortgage payment assistance, which will help them until they can find another job. He thanked everyone for coming out and attending the Council Meeting.

Council Member Hurst had no comments.

Council Member Russell had no comments.

Council Member Johnson had no comments.

Council Member Vaughan announced Creekside High School will be playing Langston Hughes at 7:30 pm on Friday night August 30, 2013 at Creekside High School and asked everyone to attend. He said Creekside High School lost an outstanding young man last week. He said the student always made the right choices and he will be greatly missed. He asked if everyone would come out and support the school.

Mayor Avery thanked Mr. D'Avante' Parks for the update on the Fairburn Festival and Parade. He announced the City will host a Latin Dance Class on September 13, 2013 at Clifton's Restaurant. He said this is an effort to raise money for the Fairburn Festival and asked everyone to come out and support the event. He said the last Latin Dance Class was two weeks ago and they had a great turnout. He said Mr. James Berry lost a sibling and asked if everyone would keep the Berry Family in their prayers. He also spoke about the loss of the young man Council Member Vaughan spoke of at Creekside High School and said the impact he made on other people was phenomenal. He said he and Council Member Alderman attended a Prayer Vigil a week ago. He said the funeral was held at Pastor Dale Bronner's Church because they needed a church of that size to accommodate those in attendance. He said he was completely overwhelmed at the impact this young man made with other young men and how he would hold them accountable for not being great. He also announced Creekside High School Football Season will open on Friday night, August 30, 2013. He asked if everyone would go out and support the school for mourning the loss of a great warrior.

#### **VIII. ADJOURN COUNCIL MEETING:**

Council Member Alderman made a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting at 7:20 pm to go back into Work Session with Council Member Russell providing the second. **The motion carried.**

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Brenda B. James City Clerk

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Mario Avery, Mayor