

**MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 21, 2015
7:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Robert Bridges at 7:00 p.m. Members present were Mayor Robert Bridges, Council Members David Huth, Perry Barton, Gayle Steed, Betty Lyle, and Hattie Thrasher. Also in attendance was City Attorney Thomas Mitchell, and Assistant City Clerk Patti Powell. City Clerk Racheal Partain and Building & Code Enforcement Officer Randy Gordon were absent. Media was represented by Stanley Dunlap of the Barrow County News.

Josh Finley District Director for Congressman Jody Hice spoke to make citizens aware of the three offices opening up, the closest one being in Monroe, GA. that will serve citizens with Social Security benefits, Veterans benefits, Disability benefits, Passport issues or any other personal Federal Government issues. There will be a full-time Veterans Coordinator on staff that will be able to assist with getting admittance into the Veterans Hospital, assistance with lost or misplaced medals, and other Veteran related services. There will also be a Grants Coordinator on staff that can assist Government or small business with grants that are available.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A. COUNCIL MEETING, MARCH 17, 2015

Gayle Steed made a motion to approve the minutes from the Council Meeting on March 17, 2015. Betty Lyle seconded the motion. Unanimous.

3. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

A. SHEEP TO SHAWL UPDATE-CYNDI BALL

Cyndi Ball spoke about the Annual Sheep to Shawl event held at the Robert L. Bridges Park, hosted by Ladies Homestead Gathering. She stated that it was the best one yet, there were over 800 attendees, and spoke about how the City has done a great job at the park with the historical plaques and recognitions of the donated equipment. She also made a point to thank Sam Powell, Public Works Director, for his great work that day. Cyndi stated that he came out to the park that day to help with some issues that came up, and that they appreciated his assistance.

B. BRIAN COWART-ROOKIE OF THE YEAR AWARD

Chief Allan Johnston presented Officer Brian Cowart with a Certificate of Recognition/2014 Rookie of the Year for Statham Police Department for receiving the Rookie of the Year Award for the State of Georgia from the GOHS and MADD.



4. OLD BUSINESS:

A. MRS. JUANITA CLANTON-575 MCCARTY ROAD-WATER BILL

Gayle Steed made a motion to approve the Mayor's recommendation to adjust Mrs. Juanita Clanton's water bill. David Huth seconded the motion. Unanimous.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

A. REMOVE STEVE MARTIN AS SIGNER ON ALL CITY ACCOUNTS

Perry Barton made a motion to approve the removal of Steve Martin as signer on all city accounts. Hattie Thrasher seconded the motion. Unanimous.

B. GEORGIA CITIES WEEK RESOLUTION

Gayle Steed made a motion to approve the Georgia Cities Week Resolution. Hattie Thrasher seconded the motion. Unanimous.

C. GARBAGE/RECYCLING SERVICES

➤ **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS/BIDS**

Perry Barton made a motion to approve the request for proposals for garbage/recycling services. Betty Lyle seconded the motion. Unanimous.

6. OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayor Robert Bridges called for a motion for a Special called Meeting to be scheduled for Budget Workshop. David Huth made a motion to approve a Budget Workshop Meeting on Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. Hattie Thrasher seconded the motion. Unanimous.

Kendra Moore was allowed to present questions and they were answered.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were no committee reports.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was no Executive Session.

9. ADJOURN:

David Huth made a motion to adjourn. Hattie Thrasher seconded the motion. Unanimous. City Council Meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m.