

**MINUTES**  
**SPECIAL CALLED COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MAY 10, 2016**  
**6:00 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Special Called Council Meeting was called to order by Vice-Mayor Gayle Steed at 6:00pm. Members present were Vice-Mayor Gayle Steed, Council Members David Huth, Perry Barton, Betty Lyle, and Hattie Thrasher. Mayor Robert Bridges was absent. Also in attendance was City Attorney Thomas Mitchell, Building & Code Enforcement Officer Randy Gordon, and City Clerk Racheal Partain.

**2. PUBLIC HEARING:**

Vice-Mayor Gayle Steed called for Public Hearing for the Conditional Use Applications for C-2-True American Classic, Inc.-1962 Railroad Street, Suite B at 6:00pm.

**A. CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATION FOR C-2-TRUE AMERICAN CLASSIC, INC.-1962 RAILROAD STREET, SUITE B**

Ernest Lee, Business Owner, spoke about his business. He gave a brief description of his business, and explained that not only does he want to continue to operate his business in the City of Statham, but his 20 employees and his business do business with many local businesses here in the city.

Gayle Steed explained that the matter at hand was in regards to compliances that were recommended.

Ernest Lee explained the recommendations made by the city to extend the exhaust stack have been completed.

Gayle Steed asked Building & Code Enforcement Officer, Randy Gordon to verify that the work had been completed and was up to code.

David Huth asked if the paint booth exhaust was forced air or drift air.

Randy Gordon confirmed that the work was complete and up to code and that it was a forced air system.

Gayle Steed explained that the major concern was the complaint in regards to the odor produced by the paint booth and that the city was willing to work with him on the matter. She asked if any other Council members had any further questions for Mr. Lee.

Perry Barton asked if the painting schedule would be adjusted per weather conditions.

Mr. Lee answered yeas, and also explained that the new filters that have been purchased trap 99.9% of the paint particles to help with that situation. He also explained that they will do whatever they need to do to comply with the city regulations.



Gayle Steed called for any further public comments.

Patrick Adamson, property owner, explained that Mr. Lee is the best tenant he has ever had at that location. He expressed that it would be a horrible shame to interrupt the business. He feels that they operate an honest lucrative business and feel that they have gone far beyond what they have been asked to do to comply with the city to be able to stay here in Statham.

Drew Casto, owner of Casto Trading Co., spoke in support of Mr. Lee, saying that the economic impact here in the city from Mr. Lee's business is vital, not just to his business, but to numerous other businesses in the city.

Vice-Mayor Gayle Steed closed the Public Hearing at 6:11pm.

**3. OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business.

**4. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATION FOR C-2-TRUE AMERICAN CLASSIC, INC.-1962 RAILROAD STREET, SUITE B**

Perry Barton made a motion to approve the Conditional Use Permit Application for C-2-True American Classic, Inc.-1962 Railroad Street, Suite B. David Huth seconded the motion. 4-0

**B. OPEN AN ACCOUNT AT COMMUNITY & SOUTHERN BANK FOR SEIZED FUNDS AND ADD ALLAN JOHNSTON AS A REQUIRED SIGNER ON ACCOUNT**

Hattie Thrasher made a motion to approve the opening of an account at Community & Southern Bank for seized funds and add Allan Johnston as a required signer on account. Perry Barton seconded the motion. 4-0

**5. ADJOURN:**

David Huth made a motion to adjourn. Perry Barton seconded the motion. 4-0  
Special Called Meeting was adjourned at 6:16pm.