



CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

Honorable Mayor Jason Lary, Sr.

Council Member Jimmy Clanton, Jr. – District 1

Council Member Rob Turner- District 2

Council Member Jazzmin Cobble – District 3

Council Member George Turner- District 4

Council Member Diane Adoma – District 5

CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

July 8, 2019

7:00 p.m.

3120 Stonecrest Blvd. Suite 190

Stonecrest, Georgia

- I. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Jason Lary
- II. ROLL CALL:** All members were present.
- III. INVOCATION:** Invocation was led by Dr. Nelson V. Hare of Rock Springs Road Church of Christ, Stonecrest, GA.
- IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- V. AWARDS AND HONORS**
- VI. APPROVAL OF THE COUNCIL AGENDA:**

Motion 1- was made by Council Member Diane Adoma to approve the agenda with the changes as follows:

1. Add 3 under XIII. New Business. *DeKalb County Mass Transit Plan Resolution. Municipality transit planning alignment with countywide role and neighborhood action support.*
 2. Add 4 under XIII. New Business. *Modification of Real Estate settlements procedures, to require executive session before final closing on real estate matters exceeding \$25,000*
- A second was provided by Council Member Robert Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

VII. MINUTES:

Council Member Diane Adoma asked to add a sentence “Council Member Adoma requested the mayor to abrogate or revoke the finance and budget committee or bring it up to standard in accordance with the governing charter” pertaining to the discussion under XI. Old Business 1. City Hall Buildout.

The Mayor requested the City Clerk to give an overview of the minutes and state what was put in the minutes and Megan Reid, City Clerk, read what was in the minutes and stated that she only recorded the action and since there was no motion that she did not include the specifics of the discussion in the minutes. The Mayor agreed to leave the minutes as written.

Council Member Diane Adoma called for a Point of Order and then cited OCGA §50-14-1.

Motion 2- was made by Mayor Jason Lary to approve the Council Meeting Minutes from June 10, 2019. Council Member Diane Adoma called for a Point of Order and the Mayor recognized Council Member Adoma and asked if the Point of Order was different this time. Council Member Adoma did not respond. Mayor Lary asked for a second. Council Member Jimmy Clanton provided the second.

Council Member Adoma directed her statement regarding OCGA §50-14-1 and also quoted GMA’s Open Meetings Act and what items were required for the minutes to City Attorney Winston Denmark.

Motion passed 5-1 with Council Member Adoma opposing.

VIII. PRESENTATIONS:

Mayor Lary Introduce Clarence Boone as the City’s new Economic Development Director.

Mark Davis, InterUrban Solar, presented opportunities available to Stonecrest.

Bernard King, Capital Resource Service, offered Construction Development Services and provided the council with references to current projects that he is overseeing.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Joel Thibodeaux- Complaint against Fireworks and asked if there is a way for the City to strengthen the ordinance to provide for more regulations

- Davisha Johnson- Highlighted her Consulting Firm may be beneficial to the City of Stonecrest she offers political and professional consulting
- Faye Coffield- Expressed her displeasure with being accused of having a feud with her neighbor. Also, has concerns with Code Enforcement.
- Salim Damani- Signed up for Public Comment but was absent when called

X. APPOINTMENTS:

1. East Metro CID Steering Committee

Appointment of Clarence Boone, Economic Development Director, to the East Metro CID Steering Committee as Ex-Officio.

Motion 3 – was made by Mayor Jason Lary to appoint Clarence Boone, Economic Development Director, to the East Metro CID Steering Committee as Ex-Officio and a second was provided by Council Member Jimmy Clanton.

Motion passed unanimously.

2. Stonecrest Overlay Steering Committee

Appointment of Clarence Boone, Economic Development Director, to the Stonecrest Overlay Steering Committee as Ex-Officio.

Motion 4 – was made by Mayor Jason Lary to appoint Clarence Boone, Economic Development Director, to the East Metro CID Steering Committee as Ex-Officio and a second was provided by Council Member Jimmy Clanton.

3. Stonecrest Overlay Steering Committee

The Mayor explained to the Council that they were Reconstituting the Committee and would like to Appoint the following members to the Stonecrest Overlay Steering Committee:

Council Member Jimmy Clanton- District 1

Council Member Rob Turner- District 2

Michelle Battle

Jetha Wagner

Matt Hampton

Bernard Knight

Maurice Waddell

Christopher Wheeler- Ex Officio

Council Member Diane Adoma clarified that Ex-Officio means a non-voting member and City Manager Julian Jackson confirmed that the City Staff would not be a voting member.

XI. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. City of Stonecrest 2038 Comprehensive Plan

Motion 5- was made by Council Member Diane Adoma to open the Public Hearing.

Michael Hightower, The Collaborative, spoke in favor of the Comprehensive plan.

There was no opposition from the public.

Motion 6- was made by Council Member Rob Turner to close the Public Hearing.

XII. OLD BUSINESS:

1. City of Stonecrest 2038 Comprehensive Plan resolution

Read aloud by Mary Darby, The Collaborative.

Council Member Adoma asked for the process if amendments were needed.

Council Member George Turner would like to note that this is the 1st Comprehensive plan created by the City of Stonecrest and prior to the adoption the City operated using the DeKalb County Comprehensive Plan.

Council Member Jazzmin Cobble asked if the Zoning Ordinance and the Comprehensive plan were compatible and Mary Darby explained that there were some differences and the City will need to correct the Zoning Ordinance.

Motion 7- was made by Mayor Jason Lary to approve the Resolution as read and a second was provided by Council Member Diane Adoma.

Motion passed unanimously.

XIII. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Hotel Motel Tax Ordinance- 1st Reading

Read Aloud by City Clerk, Megan Reid

2. Zoning Ordinance Services – The Collaborative

Motion 8 was made by Mayor Jason Lary to approve the contract for Zoning Services by the Collaborative and a second was provide by Council member Jimmy Clanton.

Council Member Cobble would like to make sure that the contract process has been followed.

Motion Failed

Motion 9- was made by Council member Jazzmin Cobble to defer the decision of the Contract until the next meeting, July 22, 2019, and was seconded by Council Member Rob Turner/.

Motion passed unanimously.

3. DeKalb County Mass Transit Plan Resolution. Municipality transit planning alignment with countywide role and neighborhood action support.

Presented by Council member George Turner and Michael Hightower.

Motion 10- was made by Council Member Rob Turner to approve the DeKalb County Mass transit Plan resolution and a second was provided by Council Member George Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

4. Modification of Real Estate settlements procedures, to require executive session before final closing on real estate matters exceeding \$25,000- Discussion Only

XIV. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion 11- was made by Mayor Jason Lary to go into Executive Session for Real estate and Legal and a second was provided by Council Member Diane Adoma.

Motion passed unanimously.

WHEN AND EXECUTIVE SESSION IS REQUIRED, ONE WILL BE CALLED FOR THE FOLLOWING ISSUES: 1) PERSONNEL, 2) LITIGATION, 3) REAL ESTATE

Motion 12- was made by Council Member George Turner to go back into the Council Meeting Regular Session and a second was provided by Council Member Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 13- was made by Council Member George Turner to Amend the agenda and add an item and a second was provided by Mayor Jason Lary.

Motion passed 5-1 with Council Member Adoma opposing.

Motion 14- was made by Council Member George Turner to name the added agenda item, The Pembleton Group Contract and was seconded by Council Member Rob Turner.

Motion passed 5-1 with Council Member Adoma opposing.

Motion 15- was made by Council Member Jimmy Clanton to approve the Pembleton group Contract and was seconded by Council Member Rob Turner.

Motion passed 5-1 with Council Member Adoma opposing.

XV. CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

No comments

XVI. CITY ATTORNEY COMMENTS:

No comments

XVII. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council Member Diane Adoma- Invited the Public to attend her Townhall Meeting on July 17 at 6pm in the Library. Also would like everyone to know that the 100 women \$100 Million Project is offering Hud Zone Certification.

Council Member George Turner Invited the Public to District Overlay Committee, Meeting District 4, Salem/ Panola Road Library, July 16, 2019 at 6 p.m.

Council Member Rob Turner- Invited the Public to join this month's breakfast meeting in Saturday, July 13 at 9am on the Campus of the Greater Travelers Rest Baptist Church/house of Hope, 4650 Flat Shoals Pkwy., Decatur, GA 30034.

Council Member Jazzmin Cobble left the meeting early at 9:34pm.

XVIII. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion 16- was made by Mayor Lary to adjourn the Council meeting at 9:36pm and a second was provided by Council Member Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

Read and adopted in the regular meeting of the City Council held on this _____ day of _____, 2019.

Mayor Jason Lary

ATTEST:

Megan P. Reid, City Clerk