

Minutes
City of Doraville
October 18, 2004

Those Present: Mayor Jenkins
Mayor Pro Tem Lamar Lang
Councilmembers: Thurman Roach
Ed Lowe
Jason Anavitarte
Marlene Hadden
David Weese
City Attorney: Rick Powell

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Jenkins.

Mayor Jenkins introduced the new City Clerk.

The minutes of October 13, 2004 Called Meeting were read with a motion and second to approve. The motion carried unanimously.

The minutes from the three previous meetings will be approved at a later date.

Council Member Anavitarte stated that Ordinance number 04-22 had previously been brought before the Council and asked the City Attorney to review the changes that were made to the final draft of Ordinance number 04-22.

The City Attorney stated that Ordinance 04-22 had been presented to the Council two months ago. The requirement for limiting the number of permits had been omitted because there was no justification or studies to back this up.

The City Attorney stated that section 22-8 paragraph (b) had been changed to read as follows:

Applicants must be approved by the police chief or designee, and such clearance shall include a background investigation.

Section 22-12 paragraph (b) has been changed to read as follows:

All City inspection stickers required by the provisions of this chapter shall expire on the date the Georgia motor vehicle tag expires.

The City Attorney asked the Council to waive the first reading of Ordinance 04-22, and approve the final draft of Ordinance 04-22.

Council Member Anavitarte made the motion to waive the first reading of Ordinance 04-22, and approve the final draft of Ordinance 04-22 as written. The motion was seconded by Council Member Roach. Motion carried unanimously.

Clint Howard, of 4021 Pin Oak Circle, came before the Council and stated that the minutes from the last four meetings did not reflect what was actually said at the Council Meetings. Mr. Howard stated that he knew the City had been without a City Clerk. Mr. Howard also stated that the Council Members should not accompany Police Officers on a major bust. Mr. Howard stated that, "the Council Members are not trained Police Officers." One of the Council Members could be hurt or killed.

Mayor Jenkins stated that the City had been without a City Clerk for two months. The hiring of a new City Clerk and the purchase of a new recording machine should solve the minute problems.

Council Member Hadden stated that she only had a few of items to report on development.

Item #1: McDonalds, on Buford Highway, has requested a demolition permit to tear down the old structure so that they can build a new structure.

Item #2: Council Member Hadden asked the City Attorney to explain the proposed amendments to the PUD Ordinance. The City Attorney stated that the first reading had been held and that he needed the Council's permission to advertise for a public hearing and second reading of the amendments to the PUD Ordinance on November 15, 2004. The proposed amendments would change the minimum acreage from five acres to three acres and the minimum number of units per acre from 20 to 25. Council Member Weese made the motion to allow the City Attorney to advertise for a public hearing and second reading of Ordinance 04-25, amendments to the PUD Ordinance. Council Member Hadden seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Item #3: The City Planner will meet with the Doraville Vision Group on November 10, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. at the Civic Center. The City Planner will explain where the City is on planning issues and will give an overview of the future. All of the citizens are invited to attend.

Patty Barker, of 3470 Alison Drive, came forth and gave a final update on Police Appreciation Day. Police Appreciation Day will be held on October 23, 2004. Ms. Baker stated that there had been a tremendous outpour of support from the citizens of Doraville and the City Council Members. Ms. Baker thanked the Council for their support. Ms. Baker stated that there was a positive move for unification of the citizens,

city government and police department, and hoped that all the Council Members would attend this event so that the citizens could get to know the elected officials better.

A Proclamation will be presented to the Police Department, and food will be provided by the citizens for the police department on the City Hall grounds. Flyers will be distributed this week with the program agenda.

Police Chief, John King, was chosen as the 1st Annual Citizens Choice Award for Police Officer of the Year.

Priscilla Murphy briefly reviewed the financial report. Mrs. Murphy stated that the financial report was through the period ending August 31, 2004. Mrs. Murphy asked the Council to consider holding a work session to discuss the format and procedures for which future financial reports would be presented. Mrs. Murphy also asked the Council to consider holding a quarterly meeting to review the budget.

The City Attorney stated that the procedures for financial reporting to the Council specify that the reports be presented by mid-month but the bank statements do not arrive in time to have the financial report completed by mid-month. The City Attorney stated that perhaps the procedures should be amended.

Mayor Jenkins stated that the mid-year budget review would be held in January of 2005 and asked the Council if a quarterly meeting was necessary. Council Member Anavitarte stated a quarterly meeting would be sufficient.

Council Member Weese briefly reviewed the deplorable condition of the Tennis Court at Old English Park. Council Member Weese stated that fence around the Tennis Court and the Tennis Court itself needed to be torn out and the area needed to be made over into green space because of the drainage problem.

Council Member Lowe made a motion to table this item until the November 1, 2004 Council meeting. Council Member Lowe stated that he would like the opportunity to look at the property himself. Council Member Anavitarte seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Roach stated that Ordinance 4-24 had been approved by the Council in September, 2004. Council Member Roach was not comfortable the wording in the Ordinance because it allowed up to nine people to live in a 1,000 sq. ft. house.

The amended wording is as follows: Excluding bathrooms and rooms used for cooking, every dwelling unit shall contain at least 300 square feet for the first two occupants and 200 additional square feet of floor area per additional occupant.

Council Member Hadden made the motion to approve the first reading to allow the City Attorney to advertise for a public hearing and second reading, to be held on November 15, 2004, for the amendment to Ordinance number 04-24. Council Member Thurman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jenkins asked that the agenda be amended to include appointing Betty Cloer as Pension Secretary. Council Member Hadden made the motion to amend the agenda to include and item to appoint a Pension Secretary. Council Member Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Council Member Hadden made the motion to appoint Betty Cloer as the Pension Secretary. Council Member Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jenkins informed the Council that a 1/3 acre parcel had been purchased at a cost of \$85,000.00. The property will be used as for green space. The property is located at Yashiva High School on the corner across from the church.

Mayor Pro Tem Long asked that the agenda be amended to include refinishing the floors at the Arena. The leak has been stopped and the floors need to be refinished. Council Member Hadden made the motion to include this item on the agenda. Council Member Weese seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The following bids were received and reviewed:

Stevens Gymnasiums, Inc.	\$ 2,950.00
Additional cost to repaint game-lines	250.00
Bid total	\$ 3,200.00
Prathers, Inc.	\$ 3,800.00
C.C.C. Flooring, Inc.	\$ 4,000.00
Fields Contracting	\$ 5,570.00

Council Member Hadden made the motion to accept the bid from Stevens Gymnasiums, Inc. to include repainting the game-lines. Total bid \$3,200.00. Mayor Pro Tem Lang seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Jenkins stated the Engineers are almost finished with the wall design at the Police Station. The design will be reviewed and bids will be let. Soil samples will be done when the foundations are put in place and no digging will be done at this time.

Police Chief King requested the Council approve the hiring of George Tharp, as a Detention Officer. Mr. Tharp has passed all of the required test and is qualified for the position. Council Member Hadden made the motion to approve the hiring of George Tarp. Mayor Pro Tem Lang seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Police Chief King stated that several crimes were stopped in progress during the month of October because of calls from residents and officers patrolling the neighborhoods.

The red light cameras are awaiting approval from DOT. There will be a one time cost of \$33,704.00 plus and additional cost of \$9,188.00 per month. The monthly payments will be funded by 911 revenue.

Police Chief King stated that he had testified in the Ron Davis case and informed the Council that Mr. Davis had been indicted

The City Attorney asked the Council to approve the fee schedule for Taxi Permits. Council Member Hadden made the motion to approve the fee schedule for Taxi Permits as written. Council Member Roach seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The City Attorney stated that he was working on issues dealing with Parade Permits and would bring this item before the Council at a later date.

Residents: An announcement was made that the banners for the Police Appreciation Day were up.

Senior & Friends are planning a one day trip to Cherokee North Carolina on October 26, 2004. The cost of the trip is \$30.00 with \$20.00 refunded in coins.

Mrs. Weese thanked Mayor Jenkins for the handicapped ramp to the council table built.

There be no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Ray Jenkins, Mayor

Date approved

City Clerk