

Milledgeville City Council
City Hall – Council Chambers
119 East Hancock Street
October 23, 2018
6:30 PM

Milledgeville City Council met in a regular Council meeting on Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the Council Chambers of City Hall with Mayor Mary Parham-Copelan presiding. Members of Council present were Jeanette Walden, Walter Reynolds, Steve Chambers, Collinda J. Lee, Denese Shinholster and Richard Mullins.

Others present were Barry Jarrett, Jimmy Jordan, Bo Danuser, Melba Hilson-Butts, Chiquita Danzy, Brenda Josey, Felicia Cummings, Hank Griffeth, Mervin Graham, Chris McKearney, Billy Hobbs and members of the public.

Mayor Parham-Copelan called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. The Clerk called roll and a quorum of members of Council was declared present.

Mayor Parham-Copelan said a prayer and then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion Mr. Reynolds, second Mrs. Walden to adopt the October 9, 2018 Council meeting minutes as official.

On vote aye: Mrs. Walden, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Chambers, Dr. Lee, Ms. Shinholster and Mr. Mullins. The motion carried and the minutes were adopted as official.

Mayor Parham-Copeland moved to the public hearing stating that this was the third and final public hearing to consider Ordinance O-1810-008 to increase the ad valorem tax rate by one mill on the tax levied from 9.12 to 10.12. She further stated that one mill represented \$40.00 on every \$100,000 of assessed value of property.

Mayor Parham-Copelan gave the procedure for conducting the public hearing.

Mayor Parham-Copelan asked if the public hearing had been properly advertised. The Clerk responded that it had been.

The Clerk read Ordinance O-1810-008 by caption stating that this was an ordinance to levy and assess taxes for the support of the Mayor and Aldermen

of the City of Milledgeville for the tax year 2018 and to provide for the collection of same.

The ordinance was presented as follows:

ORDINANCE O-1810-008

An Ordinance to Levy and Assess Taxes for the Support of the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Milledgeville for the Tax year 2018 and to Provide for the Collection of the Same.

SECTION I. BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND ALDERMEN OF THE CITY OF MILLEDGEVILLE (hereinafter referred to as "said City"), in session duly assembled, and it is hereby ordained by authority of the same, that for current expenses of said City for the tax year 2018 there is hereby a tax levied of ten and twelve hundredths (10.12) mills on each dollar of value of all real and personal property in said City and on all property in said City and on all property subject to taxation by said City.

SECTION II. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE AUTHORITY AFORESAID that one (1.00) mill of the 10.12 mills levied is designated for the extraordinary school purposes authorized by an election held in said City on the 20th day of November, 1894.

SECTION III. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE AUTHORITY AFORESAID that the City of Milledgeville shall levy and assess the above enumerated taxes against all of the property in said City subject to taxation, and to keep separate accounts of the collection and disbursements made for school purposes. The said City shall close its books on the 26th day of December, 2018 and issue executions against all taxpayers in default.

SECTION IV. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED BY THE AUTHORITY AFORESAID that all ordinances and parts of Ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance be, and the same are hereby repealed.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of October, 2018.

Mary Parham-Copelan, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bo Danuser, Clerk

Mayor Parham-Copelan asked if anyone present would like to comment on the pending ordinance. No one spoke. Mayor Parham-Copelan stated that that concluded the public hearing.

Motion Mr. Chambers, second Mr. Reynolds to adopt Ordinance O-1810-008 as presented.

On vote aye: Mrs. Walden, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Chambers, Dr. Lee, Ms. Shinholser and Mr. Mullins. The motion carried and the ordinance was adopted as official.

Mayor Parham-Copelan moved to new business.

The Clerk read Ordinance O-1810-010 by caption stating that this was the first reading of an ordinance amending the City of Milledgeville Code of Ordinances. The ordinance amends Chapter 58, Historic Preservation Section 58-33 Creation; position within city government; membership.

The ordinance was presented as follows:

ORDINANCE O-1810-010

TO AMEND SECTION 58-33, ENTITLED "CONCERNING CREATION; POSITION WITHIN CITY GOVERNMENT; MEMBERSHIP", OF THE MILLEDGEVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Milledgeville are desirous of amending Chapter 58, "Historic Preservation", Section 58-33, "CREATION; POSITION WITHIN CITY GOVERNMENT; MEMBERSHIP", Of the Milledgeville Code of Ordinances by deleting in its entirety sub-section (c) Members.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Milledgeville, meeting in formal session, that sub-section (c) of Chapter 58 section 58-33 of the "Code of Ordinances, City of Milledgeville, Georgia" is hereby replaced in its entirety to read as follows:

(c) Members. The commission shall consist of five (5) residents of the city of Milledgeville appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the Aldermen who have demonstrated special interest, experience, or education in history or architecture. Members shall serve for three-year staggered terms or until replaced. Members may not serve more than four consecutive terms. Members shall not receive a salary, although they may be reimbursed for expenses.

Be it further ordained that all ordinances and parts of ordinances not in conflict herewith are hereby reaffirmed.

That this ordinance shall become effective upon the passage and adoption of the Mayor and Aldermen.

FIRST READ this 23rd day October, 2018

Mary Parham-Copelan, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bo Danuser, Clerk

Mayor Parham-Copelan stated that this was the first reading and would come back before Council at the next meeting.

The Clerk read Resolution R-1810-050 by caption stating that this was a resolution to authorize an amendment to the bylaws of the Milledgeville-Baldwin County Allied Arts, Inc., a secondary agency of the City of Milledgeville, to create staggered terms for the members of the board of directors of the corporation.

The resolution was presented as follows:

RESOLUTION R-1810-050

A Resolution to Authorize an Amendment to the Bylaws of Milledgeville-Baldwin County Allied Arts, Inc., a Secondary Agency of the City of Milledgeville, to Create Staggered Terms for the Members of the Board of Directors of the Corporation

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Milledgeville desire to provide all residents of Milledgeville and Baldwin County with a broad range of experiences in the performing arts, visual arts, literary arts, heritage arts and in general arts education for all residents of Milledgeville and Baldwin County; and WHEREAS, Milledgeville-Baldwin County Allied Arts, Inc. is a secondary agency of the City of Milledgeville; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Milledgeville has delegated to the Board of Directors of Milledgeville-Baldwin County Allied Arts,

Inc. the power to implement the public policy and procedures of the corporation;
and

WHEREAS, Milledgeville–Baldwin County Allied Arts, Inc. is governed by a set of bylaws that from time to time need to be updated and restated in order to maximize the effectiveness and efficiency of attaining the goals set forth by the City of Milledgeville; and

WHEREAS, amendments to the bylaws of Milledgeville–Baldwin County Allied Arts, Inc. that create staggered terms for the members of the Board of Directors are hereby attached and by reference duly incorporated and made a part of this resolution.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Milledgeville, meeting in formal session, that the attached amendments to the bylaws of the Milledgeville–Baldwin County Allied Arts, Inc. that create staggered terms for the members of the Board of Directors are hereby adopted and set in full force effective immediately with the passage of this resolution.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of October, 2018.

Mary Parham–Copelan, Mayor

ATTEST:

Bo Danuser, Clerk

Motion Mr. Reynolds, second Mr. Chambers to adopt the resolution as presented.

On vote aye: Mrs. Walden, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Chambers, Dr. Lee, Ms. Shinholster and Mr. Mullins. The motion carried and the resolution was adopted as official.

The Clerk presented an alcoholic beverage license application for Dhananjay Patel on behalf of Laxmi Ganesh Corporation d/b/a Marathon located at 210 Roberson Mill Road for beer – retail packed to go.

Motion Mr. Reynolds, second Mr. Mullins to approve the license a presented.

On vote aye: Mrs. Walden, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Chambers, Dr. Lee, Ms. Shinholster and Mr. Mullins. The motion carried and the license was approved.

Gilbert Ochoa Rivera on behalf of Amigo at Baldwin, LLC d/b/a El Amigo Mexican Restaurant located at 2465 North Columbia Street for beer, wine and liquor, and Sunday sales – consumption on premises.

Motion Ms. Shinholster, second Mr. Chambers to approve the license as presented.

On vote aye: Mrs. Walden, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Chambers, Dr. Lee, Ms. Shinholster and Mr. Mullins. The motion carried and the license was approved.

The Clerk presented the following alcohol license application renewals:

Kiroshima, Inc. located at 140 W. Hancock Street for beer and wine – consumption on premises and

Lorena, LL d/b/a Little Tokyo Steak and Sushi located at 2588 N Columbia Street for beer, wine and Sunday sales – consumption on premises.

Motion Mr. Reynolds, second Chambers to approve the renewals in mass.

On vote aye: Mrs. Walden, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Chambers, Dr. Lee, Ms. Shinholster and Mr. Mullins. The motion carried and the renewals were approved.

Mayor Parham-Copelan announced that effective October 11, 2018 she had appointed Dexter Ricks to the Milledgeville Housing Authority to fill the unexpired term vacated by Robert Binion and had appointed Randy Clark as a resident board member to fill the term vacated by Jacqueline Larking. Mayor Parham-Copelan stated that the Chair of the Housing Authority had requested that she make the two appointments because they needed to be able to call a quorum in order to proceed with time sensitive contractual matters.

Mayor Parham-Copelan nominated Sherry Malone for reappointment to the Historic Preservation Commission and nominated Frank Baugh for appointment to the Milledgeville Mainstreet/Downtown Development Authority.

There was a brief discussion about the appointments being made together.

Motion Mr. Reynolds, second Ms. Shinholster to allow the appointments to be made together.

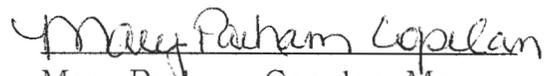
On vote aye: Mrs. Walden, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Chambers, Dr. Lee, Ms. Shinholster and Mr. Mullins. The motion carried.

Motion Ms. Shinholster, second Mr. Chambers to approve the appointment of Sherry Malone to the Historic preservation Commission and Frank Baugh to the Mainstreet/Downtown Development Authority.

On vote aye: Mrs. Walden, Mr. Reynolds, Mr. Chambers, Dr. Lee, Ms. Shinholster and Mr. Mullins. The motion carried and the appointments were confirmed.

Motion Mrs. Walden, second Mr. Reynolds to adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:44 without objection.


Mary Parham-Copelan, Mayor

ATTEST:


Bo Danuser, Clerk