

CITY OF ELBERTON
WORK SESSION MEETING OF THE ELBERTON MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Monday, November 30, 2009 – 5:30 p.m.

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof the Work Session Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Elberton convened at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, November 30, 2009, in the staff development room of the Municipal Building, 203 Elbert Street with Mayor Guest presiding.

Present were: Council Members Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Seymour and Paul; City Manager Dunn, City Attorney Phelps, Assistant City Attorney Graves, plus representatives from the Elberton Star and Elberton Radio.

Mayor Guest called the meeting to order. Mayor Pro tempore Paul led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance, and Attorney Phelps led in prayer.

City Manager Dunn presented the following items for discussion relating the agenda for the regular meeting of December 7, 2009:

1. Resolution authorizing construction of an extension of the existing telecommunications system, and Resolution declaring intent to use tax exempt financing. City Manager Dunn presented the details of the resolutions as well as a third possible resolution related to the financing from GMA. City Manager Dunn presented several expenditure items that were bid out in November, and that if the construction project was approved that these expenditures would need to be approved to begin construction. The City Manager also presented bid items for the headend upgrade that need approval regardless of the expansion project.

Council discussed the proposed project and asked several questions. City Manager Dunn also addressed the recent problems with the digital phone service.

2. Planning Commission minutes of November 16, 2009, for the purpose of re-zoning property on Oglesby Blvd. City Manager Dunn reported that the Planning Commission had approved the re-zoning requests. However, the property owners of a commercial lot had expressed that they no longer wanted to re-zone. City Manager Dunn asked for this in writing.

The following matters were discussion by Council:

1. City Manager Dunn presented a proposal to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Downtown Development Authority for the purpose of paying off a note at Pinnacle Bank that was used to renovate 9 N. McIntosh St. in 2001-2002. This note is at 7.75%. The Audit and Finance Committee also discussed this proposal at their meeting in November, and recommended approval.

Council Member Seymour asked the assembly for a moment of silence for the passing of Ann Dunbrack, City Clerk Churney's mother. Council Member Hunt asked for an update on the Oglesby Blvd. lots sold to H.E.L.P., and City Attorney Phelps stated he would follow up on his letter to their board earlier this year. Mayor Guest reminded Council of the Christmas luncheon on Friday, December 4.

City Manager Dunn added that the agenda will also include approval of the Historic Preservation minutes of November and the alcohol license renewals for 2010.

There being no further discussion, the work session was adjourned.