

**CITY OF ELBERTON**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**  
Monday, August 1, 2016 – 5:30 p.m.

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof the meeting of the Mayor and Council convened at 5:30 p. m. on Monday, August 1, 2016 in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 203 Elbert Street with Mayor Guest presiding.

Present were: Council Members Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Prince, and Seymour; City Attorney Jenkins, City Manager Dunn and City Clerk Churney.

Mayor Guest called the meeting to order and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance. Council Member Hunt gave the prayer.

Council Member Seymour motioned to approve the minutes of the July 14 meeting, seconded by Council Member Colquitt and the motion passed unanimously (Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Prince, Seymour).

City Manager Dunn presented the Financial Report through June 2016.

General Fund	\$ 5.1 million
Combined Utilities Fund	\$ 31.9 million
Elberton Technology Services Fund	\$ 1.4 million
Solid Waste Fund	\$ 84,921 net loss
Unrestricted Investments-General Fund and Utility Fund	\$ 8.9 million
Restricted Investments (SPLOST & Utility Funds)	\$ 3.5 million

Mayor Guest welcomed the Elberton Sister City exchange students to the meeting.

Council Member Butler introduced the following Resolution:

**RESOLUTION**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF ELBERTON AUTHORIZING AN APPLICATION TO THE GEORGIA ENVIRONMENTAL FINANCE AUTHORITY TO FUND CERTAIN WATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS OR EXTENSIONS, TO AUTHORIZE A WATER SALES AGREEMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.**

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Council Member Butler motioned to adopt the Resolution as submitted, seconded by Council Member Prince and the motion passed unanimously (Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Prince, Seymour).

Council Member Colquitt asked to remove consent agenda item #1 for further discussion. Council Member Butler motioned to approve the consent agenda as amended, seconded by Council Member Prince and the motion passed 4-0 with Council Member Seymour recusing himself from voting (Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Prince).

1. Authorization to execute the necessary documents for a lease agreement for restaurant facilities at the Samuel Elbert Hotel was removed for further discussion.
2. Approved the FY16 year-end close budget amendment.
3. Authorized to declare up to 2 megawatts to MEAG Power as excess to be offered for sale at fixed pricing for a limited term.
4. Authorized issuance of a public assembly permit to close the fountain area on Thursday, August 18 from 6-8pm for a Pep Rally as requested by Jeannie Jourolmon of ECCHS.
5. Authorized the issuance of a public assembly permit to close the square on Saturday, September 10 from midnight to 3pm for the Granite City Cook-off as requested by John Hubbard.

Council Member Colquitt motioned to approve item #1 as submitted, seconded by Council Member Butler and the motion passed 4-0 with Council Member Seymour recusing himself from voting (Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Prince).

Ms. Marcia Porter asked to speak to Council with regard to City utility bill fees. Council Member Butler motioned to hear Ms. Porter speak, seconded by Council Member Hunt and the motion passed unanimously (Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Prince, Seymour). Ms. Porter asked Council to reexamine the administrative fees being charged on utility bills for extensions. She stated that they are being added on top of already high utility bills.

Ms. Europe Wheeler asked to speak to Council with regard to the above. Council Member Seymour motioned to hear Ms. Wheeler speak, seconded by Council Member Colquitt and the motion passed unanimously (Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Prince, Seymour). Ms. Wheeler elaborated on the discussion above.

Mayor Guest recommended them making an appointment to discuss their concerns with the City Manager.

City Manager Dunn presented the following reports:

- Monthly report on the activities of various departments

There being no further business to come before Council, upon proper motion and second the meeting was adjourned.