

**CITY OF ELBERTON**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**  
Monday, November 5, 2018 – 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, November 5, 2018 in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 203 Elbert Street with Mayor Guest presiding.

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

Mayor Guest called the meeting to order. He led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance and in prayer.

Council Member Butler motioned to approve the minutes of the October 1 meeting, seconded by Council Member Parham and the motion passed unanimously (Butler, Colquitt, Hunt, Parham). Council Member Prince was not present during the voting.

Mrs. Mary Clark spoke to Council on behalf of the MLK Planning Committee. She stated that the event will be celebrating 26 years in 2019. She asked Council to consider assisting with the four-day weekend by contributing financially. No action was taken at this time.

Council Member Colquitt introduced the following Resolution for consideration:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS:** The City of Elberton has received a written request from CSX Railroad to close the Harper Street railroad crossing, and the Georgia Department of Transportation also agrees with the request; and

**WHEREAS:** The railroad crossing at Harper Street presents a safety concern due to the inability for trucks with low trailers to make it across the railroad crossing; and

**WHEREAS:** Extensive signage has been placed on Harper Street and College Avenue to deter trucks from attempting to use the crossing, but such signage has not eliminated the problem; and

**WHEREAS:** Property and business owners adjacent to the CSX crossing are in agreement with the request to close the crossing; and

**WHEREAS:** The Mayor and Council of the City of Elberton have determined that closure of the railroad crossing at Harper Street is in the best interest and safety of the general public.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that the City Manager is authorized to execute an agreement with CSX Railroad or Georgia Department of Transportation to effect the closure of the railroad crossing at Harper Street, and to take other actions as necessary to effect the closure and the provisions of this Resolution..

**ADOPTED** at the Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Elberton on Monday, November 5, 2018.

City Manager Dunn read the Resolution in its entirety. Council Member Colquitt motioned adopt the Resolution as read, seconded by Council Member Hunt and the motioned passed unanimously with a vote of 5-0 (Butler, Hunt, Colquitt, Prince; Parham).

Council Member Butler motioned to approve the consent agenda as submitted, seconded by Council Member Prince and the motion passed unanimously (Butler, Hunt, Parham, Prince, Colquitt).

1. Accepted the expenditures that exceed the City Manager's purchasing authority as follows:

Department: Housing and Development	
Asbestos Abatement Services for three properties (S. Oliver St, Willow St, N. McIntosh St)	
Vendor:	Bid Amount:
Branch Environmental, Watkinsville, GA <b>RECOMMENDED</b>	\$8,450.00
D & A Enterprises, Dewy Rose, GA	\$8,600.00

Department:		
Concrete for 202 Thomas Street.		
Vendor:	Per Cubic Yards:	Bid Amount:
Morgan Concrete, Lavonia, GA	\$131.17	\$29,512.50
Turner Concrete, Elberton, GA <b>RECOMMENDED</b>	\$132.00	\$29,700.00

*Recommendation based on local preference, 0.6% higher for local vendor.*

Department: Water	
2019 Water System Improvements – Madison County Interconnection Project	
Vendor:	Bid Amount:
Griffin Brothers, Inc. <b>RECOMMENDED</b>	\$2,100,229.28
Legacy Water Group, LLC	\$2,693,245.00
Cleary Construction, Inc.	\$3,690,650.00
DS Utilities, Inc.	\$3,991,388.00

Department: Natural Gas	
Natural Gas System Expansion – Bennett Road to King Hall Mill Road	
Vendor:	Bid Amount:
Harrison & Harrison <b>RECOMMENDED</b>	\$340,222.00
Electricom	\$404,032.60
Southeast Connections, Inc.	\$507,297.72

2. Approved the calendar of regular meeting dates for the Mayor and Council for 2019.
3. Approved the calendar of holidays for 2019.

City Manager Dunn presented the following reports:

- Financial Report ending September 30, 2018.
- Monthly reports on activities of various departments.
- Any other matters to be presented by the City Manager.

Mayor Guest thanked Council Member Rick Prince for contacting the University of Georgia with regard to the Coca-Cola mural being restored. The restoration was completed last month.

Matters to be presented by the City Attorney:

- Dilapidated housing report.

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