

MINUTES
TOCCOA CITY COMMISSION
January 11, 2011

The City Commission of the City of Toccoa met in Regular Session at City Hall on Tuesday, January 11, 2011 at five o'clock P.M. with Mayor Janice English presiding. (Note: the Meeting scheduled for January 10, 2011 was postponed until Tuesday, January 11 due to inclement weather.)

The invocation was given by Pastor Paul Garrison followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

On roll call the following were present:

Mayor Janice English
Vice Mayor David Austin
Commissioner AJ Pavliscsak
Commissioner Bob Troup
Commissioner Ron Seib
Interim City Manager Don Dye
City Attorney John Dickerson
City Clerk Fredda Wheeler

Motion by Commissioner Troup, seconded by Commissioner Pavliscsak and unanimously carried to approve the Agenda as submitted, a copy of this Agenda being attached as Exhibit "A."

Under Reports the following comments were heard:

Commissioner Pavliscsak asked that a fire station or some other structure be named in honor of former Assistant Fire Chief Charles "Moogie" Childers. By consensus the Commission instructed the staff to research this and report back to the Commission.

Commissioner Troup thanked the Street and Solid Waste Departments for the hard work done during the recent ice and snowstorm. Additionally, he offered words of thanks to Don Dye for the job he has done as Interim City Manager.

Commissioner Seib echoed the comments made by Commissioner Troup and also answered questions posed to the City Commission from Jessica Waters regarding the selection of the City Manager candidate.

Interim City Manager Dye Reported:

- City Hall will be closed on January 17, 2011 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and he outlined the holiday schedule for solid waste pickup.
- Main Street would be holding the Main Street Awards on Thursday, January 20th at 5 pm in the City Commission Room.
- He echoed comments made by Commissioners Troup and Seib concerning the work performed by the Street & Solid Waste Departments for their efforts during the recent snow storm.

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Troup, seconded by Commissioner Pavliscsak and unanimously carried to approve the following Consent Agenda item:

- A. Request for Approval of Minutes of December 27, 2010 City Commission Meeting

II. OLD BUSINESS

III. NEW BUSINESS

- B. Appointments by the City Commission
Motion by Commissioner Pavliscsak, seconded by Commissioner Seib and unanimously carried to approve the following appointments:

- Interim City Manager - Don Dye
- City Clerk - Fredda O. Wheeler
- City Chaplain - Pastor Paul Garrison

- C. Appointments by the Mayor
Mayor English made the following appointments for 2011:
Stephens County Board of Health - David Austin
Airport Authority - Janice English
Georgia Mountains RDC Board - Ron Seib

Downtown Development Authority - Bob Troup
Stephens County Development Authority - Janice English
Toccoa/Stephens Chamber of Commerce - A. J. Pavliscsak
Motion by Commissioner Troup, seconded by Vice Mayor Austin and unanimously carried that Mayor English and Commissioner Seib would serve on the Joint Services Committee.

D. Establishment of Qualifying Fees for the 2011 Municipal Election
Motion by Vice Mayor Austin, seconded by Commissioner Pavliscsak and unanimously carried to set the qualifying fee at \$252.00 each for Posts 1, 2 and 4 and to authorize staff to advertise said fee in *The Toccoa Record*.

E. Consideration of Adoption of Employee Wellness Program
Motion by Commissioner Troup, seconded by Commissioner Seib and unanimously carried to approve the Wellness Program as submitted by Interim City Manager, to include the allocation of \$30,000 from the reduced premium costs for employee health insurance, and the balance of the reduced premium costs to be transferred to the Emergency Reserve Fund.

F. Monthly Financial Report
Motion by Commissioner Pavliscsak to table the Financial Report until the next City Commission Meeting. The motion died for lack of a second. The report was discussed as presented with the following observations being made, after the first 6 months (50%) of FY2011:

- Revenues are at 55% and Expenses are at 49%
- Loan from Emergency Fund has been paid back with interest
- The gross margin of the Gas Utility Fund was discussed
- Inquiry about the new Collection Agency was raised.

G. Consideration to Change Second Commission Meeting in January to Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.
Motion by Commissioner Seib, seconded by Vice Mayor Austin and unanimously carried to change the second Commission meeting in January to Tuesday, January 25, 2011 at 5:00 p.m. due to the Mayor's Day Conference being held in Atlanta that weekend prior.

H. Recognition of Visitors Wishing to Speak on General Items

Art Conway - 65 Woodlane Drive made the following comments:

1. He was encouraged to hear the report given earlier on the monitoring and maintenance of the Golf Course.
2. The Golf Course is a good asset to the community.
3. Interested in the city maintaining a public golf course.

Motion by Commissioner Pavliscsak, seconded by Commissioner Seib and unanimously carried to adjourn the Regular Meeting in order for the Commission to go into Executive Session to discuss the following: Personnel Evaluation. An affidavit was signed by Mayor English and all Commissioners present stating that the above-matter discussed was not subject to the Open Meetings Act. See Exhibit "B" attached.

Motion by Vice Mayor Austin, seconded by Commissioner Troup and unanimously carried to adjourn the Executive Session.

Motion by Commissioner Troup, seconded by Vice Mayor Austin and unanimously carried to reconvene the Regular Session.

IV. ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, Motion by Commissioner Troup, seconded by Commissioner Pavliscsak and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting.

Janice English, Mayor

Fredda Wheeler, City Clerk