

MINUTES  
TOCCOA CITY COMMISSION  
October 25, 2010

The City Commission of the City of Toccoa met in Regular Session at City Hall on Monday, October 25, 2010 at five o'clock P.M. with Mayor Bob Troup presiding.

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

Motion by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Seib 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:

Vice Mayor English and Commissioners Seib and Pavliscsak each read a prepared statement, a copy of these statements being attached as Exhibits "B," "C" & "D."

Interim City Manager Dye Reported:

- C. W. Matthews resurfaced seven streets starting with Harris Street, Stephens Drive, Hillcrest Drive, Boulevard, North Pond, and Watson Street, and finished with South Pond Street. This was a SPLOST - funded project. During the same time as the resurfacing project, Blount Construction reclaimed Collier Mill Road.
- Human Resources Director Brenda Yearwood took over as President of the Georgia Local Government Personnel Association.

- Public Works Director Randy Smith attended a weeklong class in Marietta, Georgia last week concerning the safe and proper handling of asbestos. He received a certificate from the Environmental Institute for this work.
- Fire Chief Tommy Ayers informed that the Fire Department is scheduled to test pumps at Lake Toccoa this week.
- Work Session scheduled for November 1, 2010 at 5:00 P.M. to engage in conversation with Baird Services and Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia concerning the refinancing of gas bonds and possibly the GEFA bonds also.

Mayor Troup reported that the Mayors of Toccoa, Avalon and Martin recently met and agreed that the Mayor of Toccoa would serve as the representative from Stephens County on the Transportation Board and, that since these discussions were scheduled to begin after the first of the next calendar year, he presented Vice-Mayor English the corresponding paperwork.

#### I. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Seib and unanimously carried to approve the following Consent Agenda items:

- A. Request for Approval of Minutes of October 5, 2010 City Commission Work Session
- B. Request for Approval of Minutes of October 11, 2010 City Commission Meeting
- C. Request for Approval of Minutes of October 12, 2010 Emergency Special Commission Meeting
- D. Request for Approval of Minutes of October 21, 2010 City Commission Work Session

## II. OLD BUSINESS

### E. Consideration of Employee Health Insurance Annual Renewal with Georgia Municipal Association

Motion by Commissioner Pavliscsak, seconded by Commissioner Austin to approve the recommendation of Matt Bidwell to accept the proposal from Alliant to provide healthcare to the employees of the City of Toccoa for calendar year 2011. The City will implement Plan Option 502: 2 Tier offer. A copy of the proposal is attached as Exhibit "E." Motion by Commissioner Seib, seconded by Commissioner Pavliscsak and unanimously carried to amend the aforementioned motion to include the stipulation that no decision will be made at this time as to the allocation of savings realized from implementing this program.

### F. Consideration of Resolution of MGAG/TNG System Debt Refinancing.

Motion by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Vice Mayor English and unanimously carried to accept the recommendation of staff to: 1) move forward with the refinancing of the Gas System Northern Expansion debt held by the City of Toccoa and the Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia, authorizing the Mayor and City Manager or acting City Manager (if any), with the advice of the City Attorney, to act in this matter; 2) to appoint Robert W. Baird as the underwriter, and; 3) appoint Alston & Bird as the bond counsel, a copy of this resolution being attached as Exhibit "F."

## III. NEW BUSINESS

### G. Confirmation of Appointment of Interim City Manager

Motion by Commissioner Seib, seconded by Commissioner Pavliscsak and unanimously carried to appoint Don Dye as Interim City Manager.

- H. Consideration of Lease Agreement Renewal with 9<sup>th</sup> District Opportunity, Inc.  
Motion by Commissioner Seib, seconded by Vice Mayor English and unanimously carried to renew the lease agreement with 9<sup>th</sup> District Opportunity, Inc. The term of the lease is October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011.
- I. Consideration of Agreement with PDQ Services, Inc.  
Motion by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Commissioner Seib and unanimously carried to enter into an agreement with Professional Dependable Quality (PDQ) Services to perform collection service for the City of Toccoa.
- J. Consideration of Engineering Proposal from Carter and Sloope for Improvements at the Water Treatment Plant  
Motion by Commissioner Seib, seconded by Commissioner Pavliscsak and unanimously carried to approve the proposal from Carter & Sloope to perform certain engineering services for improvements at the City of Toccoa's Water Treatment Plant in the not-to-exceed amount of \$63,450.00
- K. Consideration of Request to Modify Gas Service Area / with City of Royston  
Motion by Commissioner Austin, seconded by Vice Mayor English and unanimously carried to approve the service area modification as requested by staff, a copy of these maps being attached as Exhibit "G."
- L. Recognition of Visitors Wishing to Speak on General Items  
The following visitors were present and expressed the following:  
Morris Wheeler - 2670 Rock Creek Road
- Consider people of color when making appointments to the different city boards.
  - Concentrate on cleaning up the entire property when houses are torn down
- David Neal - 299 South Sage Street
- Sidewalk on Diagonal Street needs repairing
  - Ditches on Sage, Sautee & Pond streets need cleaning
  - Lights need to be installed on his street

- Problems in cemetery

#### IV. ADJOURN

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Troup adjourned the meeting.

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Mayor

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Fredda Wheeler, City Clerk