



**OFFICIAL MINUTES
RINCON CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
FOLLOWED BY A WORKSHOP
MONDAY, MAY 20, 2020
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
107 W. 17TH STREET
6:00 PM**

Councilmembers Present:

Reese Browher
James Dasher
Ann Daniel
Patrick Kirkland
W. Frederick Long
Levi Scott, Jr.

Present:

Ken Lee, Mayor
John Klimm, City Manager
Raymond Dickey, City Attorney
Dulcia King, City Clerk
Jonathan Murrell, Interim Police Chief
LaMeisha Hunter Kelly, City Planner
Mike Osborne, Recreation Director
Tim Bowles, Public Works Director
Derrick Cowart, Finance Director

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM. The oath of office was given to W. Frederick Long by Mayor Lee.

The Invocation was given by Mayor Lee and the Pledge to the Flag was recited.

Approval of the agenda:

Motion to approve: Councilmember Daniel
Second: Councilmember Kirkland
Vote: Unanimous

New Business:

1. Request to transfer a vehicle from the Recreation Department to the Fire Department.

Mr. Osborne said this vehicle is unusable and has been sitting in the parking lot for over a year. The Fire Department would like to use it for training.

Motion to approve: Councilmember Dasher

Second: Councilmember Browher

Vote by Council: Unanimous

Mr. Osborne also gave an update on Freedom Rings. Right now Freedom Rings is scheduled for June 26. But we are having a hard time getting vendors; maybe we could host the event on Labor Day. There was discussion on having it in September. Mr. Osborne said he would like to see the event happen on Labor Day. Council asked Mr. Osborne to look at having it on Labor Day.

2. Request to approve Budget Amendment 2019-12 to amend the FY 2019 General Fund Budget due to expenditures in excess of department budgets and reclassifications between departments.

Mr. Cowart said overall the revenue budget has increased. Due to reclassification between departments we have surplus of \$191,000. Mayor Lee informed Council that the auditors have already started our 2019 audit.

Mr. Klimm said the auditors are here conducting the 2019 because of Mr. Cowart's hard work. The numbers show that revenues were \$300,000 more than what was projected and there were significant cost savings in 2019.

Motion to approve: Councilmember Scott

Second: Councilmember Daniel

Vote by Council: Unanimous

3. Request approval of an agreement between Savannah Industrial Development, LLC and the City of Rincon for the provision of Water and Sewer service to the 439.96 acre parcel located on McCall Road.

Mr. Klimm said for the last several months we have engaged in a series of negotiations Omnitrax/BROE and this is a good day for the City of Rincon. Mrs. Kelly said she agrees with Mr. Klimm. This agreement and project is a game changer for the City of Rincon and Effingham County.

Motion to approve: Councilmember Browher

Second: Councilmember Scott

Vote by Council: Unanimous

Old Business:

1. EMC Engineering, Inc. recommends awarding the Omnitrax Utility Extension project contract to Potter Construction, Inc, in the amount of \$589,472.00. LI# 506.4335.541203 and #505.4440.541203 (Tabled at the May 11, 2020 meeting)

Motion to remove from the table: Councilmember Dasher

Second: Councilmember Kirkland

Vote by Council: Unanimous

Alec Metzger, EMC Engineering said there were two bidders Potter Construction was the low bidder and recommends awarding the contract to them. This will take water and sewer under the railroad tracks to the property.

Motion to approve: Councilmember Scott

Second: Councilmember Kirkland

Vote by Council: Unanimous

Adjourn into workshop:

Motion: Councilmember Dasher

Second: Councilmember Daniel

Vote: Unanimous