

REGULAR MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL: November 14, 2017

The City Council of Union Point met in regular session on Tuesday, November 14, 2017, at 6:00 P.M., in the Four-Room School Building, at 211 Veazey Street, with Mayor Heidbrider presiding. The members present were Linda Barrington, Bill Callaway, Sylvester Johnson, Nancy Lowry and Janie Watts.

Mayor Heidbrider called the meeting to order and opened the meeting with a prayer. Then everyone stood for the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Mayor Heidbrider noted that there were enough members present for a quorum.

Council reviewed the minutes of the October 10, 2017 regular Council meeting. Mr. Callaway stated that there were two corrections to be made. Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to approve the October 10, 2017 regular Council meeting minutes with the two corrections. Ms. Watts made a motion to approve the October 10, 2017 regular Council meeting minutes with the two corrections. Seconded by Ms. Barrington. The motion passed unanimously.

Council reviewed the executive session minutes of the October 10, 2017 regular Council meeting. Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to approve the executive session minutes of the October 10, 2017 regular Council meeting. Ms. Watts made a motion to approve the executive session minutes of the October 10, 2017 regular Council meeting. Seconded by Mr. Lowry. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to approve the agenda. Ms. Lowry made a motion to approve the agenda. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Reitman updated the Mayor and Council on the progress of the court case.

Mr. Reitman discussed the progress update on the Rural Development Loan and Bond Issue.

Mr. Jackson made the Mayor and Council aware that Marcus Rhodes was not at the meeting. Mr. Reitman advised that the Mayor and Council have a vote to table his conditional use permit request indefinitely. Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to table the conditional use permit for Marcus Rhodes indefinitely since he was not present. Mr. Callaway made a motion to deny the conditional use permit for Marcus Rhodes indefinitely. Seconded by Ms. Watts. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Reitman and Mr. Jackson discussed the Greene County Development Authority intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with the Mayor and Council. After discussion Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to approve the Greene County Development Authority IGA. Mr. Callaway made a motion to approve the Greene County Development Authority IGA. Seconded by Ms. Watts. The motion passed unanimously.

Wayne Jackson stated that GMA informed him that Georgia legislation just passed an unfunded mandate for Municipalities to have Firefighter Cancer Insurance Coverage. It will be underwritten by the Georgia Municipal Association. Mr. Reitman asked the Mayor to make a motion to add this matter to the agenda to take action in a timely manner. Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to add Firefighter Cancer Insurance Coverage underwritten by the Georgia Municipal Association to the agenda. Ms. Lowry made a motion to approve adding Firefighter Cancer Insurance Coverage underwritten by the Georgia Municipal Association to the agenda. Seconded by Ms. Watts. The motion passed unanimously. Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to approve the Firefighter Cancer Insurance Coverage underwritten by the Georgia Municipal Association. Ms. Lowry made a motion to approve the Firefighter Cancer Insurance Coverage underwritten by the Georgia Municipal Association to the agenda. Seconded by Ms. Barrington. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Heidbrider asked if there were any public comments. Jan Brazier asked about the water plant's construction start date and funding. Wayne Brown, Lanier Rhodes, Ken Rowland and Jan Brazier asked questions concerning the proposed new water plant and the approved funding.

Mayor Heidbrider asked if there were any reports from the standing committees or special committees. There were none.

Mr. Jackson discussed the Georgia Municipal Association Lease Purchase Program Resolution for the police vehicles with the Mayor and Council. After discussion Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to adopt the Georgia Municipal Association Lease Purchase Program Lease for the police vehicles. Ms. Watts made a motion to adopt the Georgia Municipal Association Lease Purchase Program Lease for the police vehicles. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Reitman discussed the progress of the Consolidation of Natural Gas Systems Resolution and Intergovernmental Agreement.

Mr. Jackson informed the Mayor and Council that he has talked to the owner of the potential animal control and code enforcement location on Industrial Boulevard that Police Chief Robert Cash discussed last month. He stated that the lowest the owner would consider would be either a \$500 a month lease contract or \$43,000 to purchase the property. Ms. Barrington excused herself for a moment at this time. After discussion and a consensus that the counteroffer was still too much, Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to table the animal control discussion. Ms. Watts made a motion to table the animal control conversation. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. The motion passed with Mr. Callaway, Mr. Johnson, Ms. Lowry, and Ms. Watts voting Yes and Ms. Barrington being absent for the vote.

Mr. Jackson advised the Mayor and Council that they needed to have a second and final reading of the amended FY2017 Budget. After discussion, Mayor Heidbrider asked

for a motion to approve the second and final reading of the amended FY2017 Budget. Ms. Watts made a motion to approve the second and final reading of the amended FY2017 Budget. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. The motion passed unanimously.

After a public hearing where Wayne Brown and Lanier Rhodes asked questions, Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to adopt the second and final reading of the 2017 Tax Millage Rollback Rate Ordinance with the net millage being 9.862. Ms. Watts made a motion to approve the second and final reading of the 2017 Tax Millage Rollback Rate Ordinance. Seconded by Ms. Lowry. The motion passed with Ms. Barrington, Mr. Johnson, Ms. Lowry, and Ms. Watts voting Yes and Mr. Callaway voting No.

Mr. Jackson discussed the Magistrate Intergovernmental agreement and made the Mayor and Council aware that he contacted Judge Laverne Ogletree again about funding an additional magistrate and splitting the approximate \$9,000 cost 1/3 each between the City of Union Point, City of Greensboro, and Greene County. The cost for the City of Union Point will still be \$3,000. Mr. Reitman recommended that the Mayor and Council table discussion about the agreement until after the litigation with the Greene County has been settled. Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to table a discussion of funding of an additional magistrate for \$3,000. Ms. Barrington made a motion to table the funding of an additional magistrate for \$3,000. Seconded by Ms. Watts. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Jackson informed council that it is time for the renewal of the employee group insurance effective December 1, 2017. After discussion, Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to approve the renewal of the employee group insurance with the current insurance providers and under the current plans. Mr. Callaway made a motion to approve the renewal of the employee group insurance with the current insurance providers and under the current plans. Seconded by Mr. Johnson. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Mr. Johnson made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss personnel matters. Seconded by Ms. Watts. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to come out of executive session. Ms. Barrington made a motion to come out of executive session. Seconded by Ms. Watts. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to approve the Resolution to authorize Attorney Andy Welch to request an opinion on the appeal before the Georgia Supreme Court (City of Union vs Greene County)(by the end of the year discussed in executive session. Ms. Barrington made a motion to adopt the Resolution. Seconded by Ms. Watts. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to approve the employee raises and incentive pay as presented by Wayne Jackson, Clerk and Treasurer. Mr. Johnson made a motion to

approve the employee raises and incentive pay as presented by Wayne Jackson, Clerk and Treasurer. Seconded by Ms. Barrington. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Heidbrider asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Lowry made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ms. Barrington. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Heidbrider asked Mr. Callaway to close the meeting in prayer.

Mayor _____ City Clerk _____