

MAYOR
Linda Blechinger

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CITY OF AUBURN
CITY COUNCIL
BUSINESS MEETING in Council Chambers
FOR
February 7, 2019

City Council
Peggy J. Langley
Robert L. Vogel, III
Bill Ackworth
Jay L. Riemenschneider

Present: Mayor : Linda Blechinger
Council Member: Peggy Langley
Council Member: Bob Vogel
Council Member: Bill Ackworth
Council Member: Jay Riemenschneider

City Staff in Attendance: City Administrator Alex Mitchem, Chief Hodge, Joyce Brown, Jay Miller, Iris Akridge, Michael Parks, Bel Outwater, Michelle Walker

Mayor Blechinger called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Alex Mitchem gave the invocation.

Alex Mitchem led the pledge to the flag.

Council Reports and Announcements

None were given

Staff Reports

Copies of staff reports are located at the end of this document. **Chief Hodge** reported that Sgt. Pharr and the Auburn Explorers will be taking a trip to Nashville, TN for the Annual Police Explorers Competition. Being a National Competition; our post will be competing against teams from across the United States. We wish them a safe trip and Good Luck! Chief also reported that The Police Dept. has been preparing for a "Certification Audit" by LGRMS personnel that includes Policy Procedure, Use of Force, Evidence, Records, Equipment Training, etc. The Police Dept. received great results from auditor, Mr. Beck, regarding the audit. **Bel Outwater** announced that the Library was having a Harry Potter Book Night with an evening at Hogwarts this evening starting at 5:00PM. **Iris Akridge** gave an update on Stormwater: Joe Moravec met with Mr. Garrison from UGA and homeowners at 1521 and 1522 Willow Gate Trace to investigate possible sink hole in the road and a side of a home. Mr. Garrison found that it was a small area and that the road is in good shape. Will be filling and compacting the area in the yard. Joe also engineered a solution for the drainage problems on Hill Top Circle. Joe continues to work on the yearly report for the EPD. Iris reported that Public Works in the month of January: cleaned all City buildings and parks; meters changed out; installation of hydrant and valve maintenance on Apalachee Church Road; painted Auburn Center; cleaned out storm drains; assisted Joe Moravec with the stormwater project at Hilltop Circle; trimmed trees on Etheridge Road blocking street lights; assisted Parks for upcoming opening season at ballfields; maintenance line replacement and hydrant was moved at 110 Mt. Moriah Road; removed hydrant at Auburn Park Court; installed replacement ceiling tiles at the Police Dept., etc. **Michael Parks** announced that the next OWLS meeting will be a Valentines social at the Auburn Center on Wednesday, February 20, 2019. **Alex Mitchem** reported that he continues to work with Auburn Center contractors to complete required grant paper work for DCA. Alex reported that Carter Bates has started the FY2018 Annual Audit Report.

The following staff reports were given: Police Department - Chief Hodge, Library - Bel Outwater, Public Works & Stormwater - Iris Akridge, Parks and Leisure - Michael Parks, Community Development Director - Jay Miller, City Clerk - Joyce Brown, Administration - Alex Mitchem

Item: **Citizen Comments on Agenda Items**

Mayor Blechinger asked for any Citizens comments for items on tonight's agenda.

None were given

Item: **Consent Agenda**

Mayor Blechinger asked if any of the consent agenda items needed to be removed for further discussion

None were given

Mayor Blechinger asked for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda:

- a. January 3, 2019 - Business Meeting Minutes
- b. January 17, 2019 - Workshop Meeting Minutes
- c. College Street 3-Way Stop Sign
- d. Noise Ordinance
- e. Eagle Scout Project
- f. East Coast Pyrotechnics Contract

Motion: Made by **Council Member Vogel** to approve the Consent Agenda.

Seconded: By **Council Member Ackworth**.

Mayor Blechinger asked for any discussion. There was none.

Vote was taken with all members present voting yes.

Citizen Comments: **Mayor Blechinger** asked for any Citizens Comments.

Carlton Johnson expressed concerns about the property located beside of his at Carter Road with the construction of houses, the double silt fencing, and the trucks hauling dirt without covers. Carlton questioned the zoning for the building of the houses. Carlton was also concerned about the water running down through his yard from the rain and wanted to know what could be done about it.

Alex Mitchem let Carlton Johnson know that the property beside of his is zoned single family, so the contractors are working according to code.

Mayor Blechinger let Carlton Johnson know that City Planner, Jay Miller, would meet with him after the meeting to answer his questions.

Mayor Blechinger let Carlton Johnson know that he would need to meet with Public Works Director, Iris Akridge regarding the water running down through his yard from the rain.

ADJOURN: **Mayor Blechinger** asked for a motion to adjourn.

Motion: Made by **Council Member Langley** to adjourn.

Seconded: By **Council Member Vogel**.

Vote was taken with all members present voting yes. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Read and approved this _____ Day of March 2019

Attest:

Mayor Blechinger