

**AGENDA
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MUNICIPAL ANNEX
MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 2023
5:30 P.M.**

I. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR DOUG ROPER, III WITH INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY REVEREND EFTON GREEN OF CALVARY ON AIMWELL CHURCH

II. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

IV. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA (See attached)

V. TOURISM / CHAMBER UPDATES (See attached, if available)

- Downtown Vidalia Association (DVA) – Tonya Parker
- Vidalia Convention & Visitors Bureau (VCVB) – Alexa Britton
- Greater Vidalia Chamber – Michele Johnson

NOTE: Executive Directors will NOT give verbal reports this month.

VI. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF SWEET ONION GOLF AUTHORITY (SOGA) BUDGET (See attached)

NOTE: Andy Woodruff, Chairman will give an update and present budget.

VII. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL RULES / POLICY GOVERNING SWEET ONION GOLF AUTHORITY (SOGA) (See attached)

VIII. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL FOR SWEET ONION GOLF AUTHORITY (SOGA) TO AWARD GOLF COURSE LAND CLEARING TO MCLENDON ENTERPRISES FOR \$316,525.00 (See attached)

NOTE: Only one (1) bid received.

FUNDING SOURCE: DNR Recreational Funds

IX. APPOINTMENTS TO COUNCIL COMMITTEES BY MAYOR AS PER CITY CHARTER SECTION 2-31 (See attached)

X. APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR & COUNCIL

- Justin Franklin, City Attorney
- Daniel O’Conner, Municipal Court Judge
- Paul Calhoun, City Prosecutor
- Johnny Vines, Public Defender

XI. APPOINTMENT / REAPPOINTMENT BY MAYOR & COUNCIL OF MEMBERS TO THE PLANNING & ZONING BOARD TO SERVE A FOUR (4) YEAR TERMS ENDING AS BELOW:

Pam Langston	12/31/2026 (Reappointments)
Brian McDaniel	12/31/2025 (Reappointments)
Billy Snell	12/31/2024 (Reappointments)
Ruff Bell	12/31/2026 (Appointment)
Matt Oxley	12/31/2025 (Appointment to fill unexpired term)
Jackie Moses	12/31/2024 (Appointment to fill unexpired term)
Carol Hansley	12/31/2023 (Appointment to fill unexpired term)

XII. APPOINTMENT BY MAYOR & COUNCIL TO THE TOOMBS COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO SERVE A THREE (3) YEAR TERM ENDING JANUARY 31, 2026 (See attached letter from Library Board)

- Dustin Booth

XIII. REAPPOINTMENT BY MAYOR & COUNCIL TO THE TOOMBS COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH TO SERVE A SIX (6) YEAR TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2028

- Shannon Hart

XIV. APPOINTMENTS / REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE VIDALIA CONVENTION VISITORS BUREAU (VCVB) TO SERVE OR COMPLETE FOUR (4) YEAR TERMS ENDING AS BELOW:

- Amanda Moore – Will fill unexpired term ending 12/31/2025
- Curtis McMichael – Appointment, term expires 12/31/2026
- Senecca Underwood – Reappointment, term expires 12/31/2026

Recommendation provided by the VCVB Board.

XV. REAPPOINTMENT BY MAYOR & COUNCIL TO THE RECREATION DEPARTMENT COMMITTEE TO SERVE FIVE (5) YEAR TERMS

- Robert Toole
- Craig Adams

XVI. REAPPOINTMENT BY MAYOR & COUNCIL TO THE VIDALIA DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO SERVE A FIVE (5) YEAR TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2027

- Garrett Wilcox

XVII. REAPPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR & COUNCIL TO THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (DDA) TO SERVE FOUR (4) YEAR TERMS ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026

- Sadia Ajohda
- Brandi Anthony
- Gray Meredith

XVIII. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF REQUEST FOR USE OF COMMUNITY CENTER BY CONGRESSMAN RICK ALLEN THROUGH JANUARY 2, 2025

XIX. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL TO EXECUTE PROJECT FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT SUPPLEMENTAL NO. 1 FOR BETWEEN THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (GDOT) AND THE CITY OF VIDALIA, FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDS OF \$250,000, AS ASSOCIATED WITH THE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP GRANT) (See attached)

NOTE: Contract is an 80% Federal & 20% Local Match; City's portion = \$50,000.

FUNDING SOURCE: Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST)

XX. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF LETTER STATING THE CITY WILL NOT SEEK BACK TAXES FROM PINE CREST CEMETERY DUE TO PARCEL # V21 044 BEING MISCLASSIFIED BY THE COUNTY AS EXEMPT (See attached)

NOTE: Per the county, the property has been returned to the Tax Digest and reclassified correctly for 2023 taxes.

XXI. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE PINE CREST CEMETERY MAP WITH STREET NAMES AS PRESENTED (See attached)

XXII. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL TO PAY HUB ELECTRONICS INVOICE FOR DIGITAL RADIO SYSTEM FOR \$45,160.50 FOR THE FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM SPLOST FUNDS (See attached)

NOTE: This was an approved budget item of \$45,000 in the 2022 SPLOST Budget.

XXIII. DISCUSSION / APPROVAL OF AWARD TO PASSERO ENGINEERING FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN & BID PHASE FOR PHASE 2 OF RUNWAY 7/25 SLAB REPLACEMENT AT THE VIDALIA REGIONAL AIRPORT FOR \$69,700 (See attached)

If federally funded (90/5/5):

If state funded (75/25):

Federal/State - \$66,215
Local Match - \$ 3,485

State - \$52,275
Local - \$17,425

If awarded as state funded (75/25): \$ 52,275 State; \$17,425 = Local Match

FUNDING SOURCE: Airport Fund (550) or Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST)

XXIV. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS (See attached, if available)

- a. Brian Sikes, Fire Chief
- b. James Jermon, Police Chief
- c. Tony Hall, ESG Project Manager
- d. Scott Strickland, Recreation Director
- e. Billy Ragan, Airport Manager
- f. Shaun Oliver, City Marshal
- g. Amie Vassey, Operations Manager with Republic Services

NOTE: Department Heads will NOT give verbal reports this month.

XXV. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT (See attached)

XXVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION IF NEEDED AS PER O.C.G.A §50-14-3

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