

City of White Georgia
City Council Meeting
September 6, 2021

Present at the meeting were Mayor, Kim Billue, Council members Dennis Huskins, Curtis Powell, Ryan Evans, Charles Buttrum, and Twanda Hill.

The meeting was called to order. Council Member Dennis Huskins opened the meeting with an invocation. Mayor Billue lead the room in saying of the Pledge.

The Minutes from the August 2nd, council meeting was read. Council member Huskins made a motion to approve the minutes. Council member Evans seconded the motion, motion passed 4-0.

Twanda Hill no City Hall updates

Jimmy Dean states on the signs, he was informed they are going to need to be adjusted. they have half of them up and must do some adjusting on them. The signs were put up one day last week, and the good thing about it no one has ran into the fence. He stated that we received our 10yr water drinking permit. Jimmy gave his water stats for the months and ongoing water leak issues in the subdivision. He also spoke about the new fence install at the playground and asked if we could donate the old fence to Hickory Log Vocational School. Mayor Billue asked for the motion, Council member Huskins made the motion and Powell second the motion and motion passed 4-0.

Billy states on the Richards Road drainage project is almost finished. He said there had been some delays due to weather. Billy spoke about the zoning fees and stated the city had already spent that amount and was looking at spending more and asking that council reconsider our fee of \$250.00 to \$400.00 due to labor and the cost of supplies. He stated that he talks to contractors and the first question they ask if the property can be rezoned. He stated the city should at least break even on the cost and not just deplete our General Funds when it comes to the cost of rezoning. Billy asked the City Council to just thinking about all the factors when it comes to rezoning and maybe revisit this later. Billy asked about the possibility of garbage fee increase. Since the garbage pickup started there has been an increase of trash, fuel, maintenance on the garbage truck and landfill fees. Billy stated that he would be doing a garbage analysis for the next month meeting.

Chief Davidson asked if he had permission to ask for seal bids on both Crown Vic's police cars. Chief Davidson had approval for one of the cars previously. Council member Huskins made the motion and Council member Evans second the motion and motion was approved 4-0.

Mayor Billue brought up new business on the 1st reading of the zoning application and ask if Adam would come up and give his presentation and answer any questions.

Adam gave his presentation on the townhome units. Perry asked Adam why it would go from RI to R2 for high density, Adam stated typically people/family would not want to live or purchase a home by a busy highway such as 411 and so that is why they are going with the townhomes so that it would work economically as well. Adam went on to explain about the water and sewer fees and explained that there wouldn't be burden on our water system. Council Buttrum asked a question about the reefers and the noise. Mr. Reed spoke about the reefers and the noise and stated the noise would not be a problem because he owned the property and they only operated during regular business hours and if it became a problem, he would take care of it. He went to say that the townhomes would be a great asset for the city of white. Council member Buttrum stated that he would rather see it as commercial property. Mr. Reed asked if the council would really consider this rezoning application. Council member Buttrum and Perry asked question about the increase in traffic. Adam spoke about the traffic and stated they would be required have to a traffic study done by DOT. Charles Buttrum asked if the townhomes would be supplied by City water and Mr. Baker stated that it would be no cost to the city. Adam stated that they would purchase a master meter and the water would be purchased from Bartow Co. Council member Buttrum stated if the townhomes come in, our police department would have to go to 24 hours full service and stated they had already been operating under staffed. Eddie Billue stated that the police dept can't operate full time if there aren't any funds. Adam said he couldn't speak on that because he couldn't predict the future. Council member Huskins said he was torn between the townhomes coming in. He stated that he knew the city needed the growth on the other hand he had concerns of whether our water and sewer could handle the impact.

Adam concluded his presentation and stated if anyone had any questions, he would hang around and speak with them. Council member Huskins thanked Adam. Council member Evans asked Council member Huskins to go in an executive session for personnel reasons. The council returned. Council member Huskins made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Evans second motion and motion was passed 4-0.

Respectfully submitted,

City Clerk

Approved:

Mayor Kim D. Billue