

Minutes
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 1, 2019
6:30PM, Temple City Hall

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30PM by Mayor Michael Johnson.

Council Members present: Terron Bivins, Richard Bracknell, Hiley Miller, Howard Walden, Tom Wallace

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

The invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Johnson

Approve the published agenda of this date's City Council Meeting, as presented

There was a motion to approve the published agenda by Council Member Bracknell, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 5-0.

Announcements.

City Administrator Bill Osborne reported that on April 9th at 6:00PM there would be a Special Called Meeting; during that meeting there would be consideration of the approval of the Development Code and standards for new residential housing. He stated the City is also looking at an agreement with the EPD on what they have sent to us on some things regarding wastewater. He also reminded everyone of the City cleanup on April 13th.

Public Comments:

none.

Approval of Minutes:

March 4, 2019 Regular Meeting

There was a motion by Council Member Walden to approve the minutes, second by Council Member Bracknell. Vote 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Conduct a public hearing on a request for a subdividing of a 2.66-acre tract with R-1 residential zoning and being Parcel ID T03-007-0045 in Land Lot 203, 6th District, with one new lot to be 1.66 acres and already with an address of 489 Rainey Road and with the other new lot to be 1.00 acre and already with an address of 511 Rainey Road. Application by property owner Ronald Woody.

Mayor Johnson asked if there was anyone present who wanted to offer comments on the request for subdividing of property, Parcel ID T03-007-0045. There were no comments. Mayor Johnson closed the public hearing.

2. Approve a request for the subdividing of a 2.66-acre tract with R-1 residential zoning and being Parcel ID T03-007-0045 in Land Lot 203, 6th District, with one new lot to be 1.66 acres and already with an address of 489 Rainey Road and with the other new lot to be 1.00 acre and already with an address of 511 Rainey Road. Application by property owner Ronald Woody.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to approve the request to subdivide property, Parcel ID T03-007-0045, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 5-0.

3. Conduct a public hearing on a request for a combining of two adjacent parcels with R-2 residential zoning into a single lot of 1.32 acres, with the current 0.94-acre lot being Parcel ID T02-008-0004 in the 6th District and with an address of 1109 Old Bremen Road and with the current 0.38-acre vacant lot on Wells Avenue being Parcel ID T02-008-0002 in the 6th District. Application by property owner Barbara Jean Cheek.

Mayor Johnson asked if there was anyone present that wanted to offer comment on the request for combining two adjacent parcels: Parcel ID T02-008-0004 and Parcel ID T02-008-0002. Denise Brown stated that the address on the agenda is incorrect, it should be 119 Old Bremen Rd. not 1109 Old Bremen Road. Mayor Johnson noted the change. There were no other comments, so Mayor Johnson closed the public hearing.

4. Approve a request for the combining of two adjacent parcels with R-2 residential zoning into a single lot of 1.32 acres, with the current 0.94-acre lot being Parcel ID T02-008-0004 in the 6^h District and with an address of 1109 Old Bremen Road and with the current 0.38-acre vacant lot on Wells Avenue being Parcel ID T02-008-0002 in the 6th District. Application by property owner Barbara Jean Cheek.

There was a motion by Council Member Walden to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the combining of Parcel ID T02-008-0004 and Parcel ID T02-008-0002, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 5-0.

5. Accept the 2017 Audit of the City of Temple, as prepared and presented by the CPA firm of Warren Averett.

Council Member Bivins explained that the auditors presented the audit to the Council at the Committees meeting last week; the Council needs to accept it so that it can be sent to the State. City Administrator Bill Osborne stated that he spoke to the auditors over the weekend and confirmed that there has been no changes to the content of the draft. The auditors had two findings that would be part of the report and the City is required to do a response. There was a motion by Council Member Bivins to accept the 2017 audit as presented and prepared by the CPA Firm, Warren Averett, second by Council Member Bracknell. Vote 5-0.

City Administrator Bill Osborne said there has been some discussion as to whether or not the City should continue with Warren Averett for the upcoming 2018 audit. He said that we are only three months away from when the 2018 audit needs to be submitted to the State and he said there is not enough time to do an RFP to find another company and meet our deadline for submission. Mr. Osborne said he has had some conversation with Mr. Minch at Warren Averett and he is aware that we are unhappy with the timing and delays in the 2017 audit and he assured that they would be diligent in moving forward with the 2018 audit in a timely manner. Mr. Osborne recommends that we use Warren Averett for the 2018 audit, as the Council voted on and approved last year.

6. Adopt a resolution congratulating the City of Temple Police Department for its outstanding record of public safety service in 2018, as once again the SafeWise organization has selected Temple to be one of Georgia's 50 Safest Cities.

Mayor Johnson read the resolution recognizing the City of Temple being listed as one of Georgia's 50 safest cities; he presented the resolution to Chief Creig Lee.

7. Consider authorizing the expenditure of a certain amount of City of Temple funds to assist in the planning and construction of a Carroll County Public Safety Memorial Park to serve as a permanent tribute to recognize and remember the commitment and sacrifice of local law enforcement officers.

firefighters, EMTs, and 911 personnel who lost their lives while on active duty and to call attention to those who continue this service commitment.

Terron Bivins explained that originally \$1,000 was going to be taken out of the beautification budget, however, it was changed to take \$2,000 from computer services since the computer upgrade is coming from SPLOST (originally \$1,000 was designated from Computer Services) and \$3,000 would come from the Police Department. There was a motion from Council Member Bivins to authorize the expenditure of \$5,000 (\$2,000 from ADMIN Computer Services, \$3,000 from the Police Dept.) to assist in the construction of the Carroll County Public Safety Memorial Park, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 5-0.

8. Change the date of the monthly series of City Council Committee meetings from Memorial Day on Monday, May 27, to 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 23, 2019.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to change the meeting scheduled for May 27th to Thursday May 23rd due to the Memorial Day holiday, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 5-0.

9. Change the date of the monthly series of City Council Committee meetings from Monday, June 24, to 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, June 27, 2019, due to the annual meeting of the Georgia Municipal Association on June 21 – 24.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to change the Council Committee Meeting that was scheduled for June 24th to June 27th, due to the GMA annual conference, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 5-0.

10. Change the date of the regular monthly meeting of the City Council from Monday, July 1, to 6:30 p.m. on Monday, July 8.

There was a motion by Council Member Walden to change the date of the regular July meeting from the first to July 8th, second by Council Member Bracknell. Vote 5-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Discuss a possible increase in compensation for the City of Temple Police Chief.

There was a motion to go into Executive Session by Council Member Bracknell, second by Council Member Bivins. Vote 5-0.

The Council went into Executive Session at 6:56PM.

The Executive Session ended at 7:33PM.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

There was a motion to return to Open Session by Council Member Bracknell, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 5-0. The meeting returned to Open Session at 7:34PM.

Closing Comments

N/A

Adjournment:

There was a motion to adjourn by Council Member Bracknell, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:36PM.

Mayor Michael Johnson

City Clerk