

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 3, 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: Richard Bracknell, Hiley Miller, Howard Walden, Tom Wallace

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Michael Johnson gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to approve the published agenda, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

Public Comments:

Linda Walden, 400 Centerpoint- She expressed concerns in Twin Ridge subdivision, specifically 143 & 145 Madison Avenue. She said they are running a car repair shop out of these homes. They are violating a zoning and noise ordinance as well as having a lot of off street parking. She said after a complaint was made, the resident put up a fence and planted cypress trees. Something needs to be done, people in the neighborhood are talking about moving because of the noise and traffic.

Marilyn Etheridge, 156 Madison Avenue- She stated that she lives beside the houses that are involved and there is noise going on constantly. Her husband is woken up because of the noise. She said he has a paint system where he paints cars and you can see people dropping off cars to get fixed. There is also a camper in the backyard. When they originally moved here, they loved it, now it is like a race track and someone is going to get hit.

Ramona Carlinger, Madison Avenue- Stated they have a trailer in the back and someone is living in it. There are cars in the backyard. The noise is horrible.

Sandra Patillo, 146 Madison Avenue- Stated she has complained numerous times about the cars. She has sent about 600 pictures including pictures showing exchange of money. There are cars with no tires and with engines hanging out. The police should not have to deal with this; this has been going on since January. She said she has been talked to very rudely by someone here. She wants it to be quiet for her grandchildren to play and she requested that they please help.

Marie Patterson, 103 Mason Ct.- Stated she is the first house on the right. They wake us up racing in and out all day long. Her Councilman is Howard Walden and Richard Braknell came to her house the other evening. There are cars in and out all night long. It used to be quiet in the subdivision, but now you can't stand to be there. She said she has talked to her Councilman and George and asked that they please do something.

Andy Blackstock, 25 Katie St- Stated that in reference to the garbage pickup we have 1965 water customers, 545 have opted out of garbage. That is close to a third of our customers. He suggested an educated way to make a decision is to break out those people by ward and give each council person the

people on their list and contact each of them to see their reasons for opting out. Check their reasons, this is the best way to vote on the issue from a humanitarian standpoint.

Jennifer Greenwood, 64 Ronnie Lane- Stated she is one of the opt out people. She moved here at the beginning of last year, paid for trash service and it never got picked up. She has concerns about people who can not physically put out their bins, said the cart method needs clarification, she wanted clarification on the yard trimmings and items that were referenced in the ordinance. She believes having garbage service is a luxury not a necessity. We should not be told what to do with our money.

Jeff Ressum, 455 Rainey Rd- He said he has been taking his garbage to the dump since 1985. He is not living in a big City and he doesn't think he should have to take his garbage to the road.

Matt Speights, 77 Milner St.- He doesn't think it is right to make the citizens pay for a service to us that is rendered. He has had to take his garbage off on his own 8-9 times a month. They bypass his house on numerous occasions. He has called the water department and they said it is not my problem. Why should I pay for a service that is not being used? Why not concentrate on water meters.

Matt Schuer, Angela Drive- He disagrees with the mandate for the garbage pickup. In order to have garbage pickup, it is going to cost extra money, it will become a monopoly. A question was asked to me to name another city that isn't doing this. The other cities are extorting their people. We are a small town and when you start having government bureaucracy, people will not want to come here. There is a county dump about a minute outside of town that we pay for with our taxes. We should not be mandated.

John Burns, 129 New Brooklyn Church- I pay \$6,000 in property taxes now, what do I get for it? Nothing. To add garbage to the water is ridiculous.

Theresa Davis, 109 Ivey Lake Pkwy- I don't have a problem paying for garbage, but the carts are so big, how can I get them down to the street and back? Does anyone want to come and move the cart for me? I am a senior citizen on limited income.

Gaile Leggett, 260 Ivey Lake Pkwy- I sent an email earlier today. I don't have a problem paying for the pickup, although if we have a convenience center, we shouldn't be forced to pay for it. With the collection, is it union based? If they go on strike, the garbage sits out by the road. I ask that you make sure the references are valid and that they provide good service.

Shane Norton, Center Point Rd.- I just want to say I disagree

Elaine Jarrett, 160 Ivey Lake Pkwy- She has a medical condition and uses a lot of water. She will be hard pressed to pay for her bill if garbage is added. She has concerns about people leaving garbage cans on the sidewalks.

Randy Atkins, 312 Villa Rosa Rd- Most of his concerns have been mentioned. His driveway is about 300 feet long. He has a concern of the price being added to the water bill. His seizure medicine might go up \$250 a month and he will have to pay out of pocket. He doesn't think the City picks up trees and limbs, but in the ordinance it is stating that we do.

Howard Walden- regarding Twin Ridge, we have the tools in place to enforce this, ordinances, codes, court, etc. There is no reason that the people over there should be going through this.

Jo Williams, 55 Matthews Lane- His number one concern is on Katie Street where it joins Matthews Lane, the house right across from his looks like a salvage house. The grass is tall. Sometimes there are 10-21 vehicles there and they are noisy. They run up and down the street like it is a race track. He has had trash pick up for 15 years. For some people on a fixed income it is a big deal to have to pay for this. He thinks people should be able to continue hauling their trash to the dump if they choose to do so.

Approval of Minutes:

May 6, 2019 Regular Council Meeting

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to approve the May 6, 2019 minutes, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.

May 23, 2019 Special Called Meeting

There was a motion by Council Member Walden to approve the May 23, 2019 minutes, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 4-0.

New Business:

1. Presentation of a plaque to the Temple Police Department in recognition of the City of Temple once again being designated by the national SafeWise organization as one of the State of Georgia's 50 safest cities, based on SafeWise's review of the most recent FBI crime reports and census data.

Mayor Michael Johnson presented Chief Creig Lee and the Police Department with a plaque in recognition of the City of Temple being names one of Georgia's 50 safest cities.

2. Conduct a public hearing on the request to annex into the City of Temple the 4.98-acre commercially zoned lot located at the southeast corner of the Carrollton Highway (Georgia Highway 113) and East Luke Road, being located in Land Lot 117, District 6, Parcel ID 125 0491, in unincorporated Carroll County. Application by Five Star Manufactured Homes, Inc., Jerry B. Rollins, president.

Mayor Johnson asked if anyone present at the meeting would like to speak on this annexation request. There was no one present at the meeting who wished to speak. Mayor Johnson closed the public hearing.

3. Approve the request to annex into the City of Temple the 4.98-acre commercially zoned lot located at the southeast corner of the Carrollton Highway (Georgia Highway 113) and East Luke Road, being located in Land Lot 117, District 6, Parcel ID 125 0491, in unincorporated Carroll County. Application by Five Star Manufactured Homes, Inc., Jerry B. Rollins, president.

There was a motion by Council Member Walden to accept the Planning Commission's recommendation to approve the annexation request for the 4.98 acre property located at the corner of Highway 113 and East Luke Rd, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 4-0.

4. Adopt an Ordinance providing for the collection and disposal of solid waste within the City of Temple, including authorizing the City Council to enter into any private contract for residential, commercial, and industrial trash and garbage collection and disposal under such terms and conditions as the City Council shall deem reasonable and proper.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to adopt the ordinance, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 4-0.

5. From the two sanitation services companies which responded to the City of Temple's April 23, 2019, Request for Proposals for Sanitation Services, select the private company to be awarded a franchise agreement with the City of Temple for providing all residential, commercial, and industrial sanitation services within the corporate limits of Temple for a three-year period starting July 1, 2019, with the scope of service and terms of the agreement being as set forth in said Request for Proposals and with the charges for services and the frequency of said services being as set forth in the selected company's pricing proposal and with adjustments to the initial pricing being in accordance with said Request for Proposals issued by the City of Temple.

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to accept the proposal from Waste Pro, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 4-0.

6. Adopt a resolution which provides certain information on the City of Temple's Sanitation Fund, including the current monthly charge for residential garbage, trash, and recycling services, as well as the projected costs of these residential services and for commercial and industrial services under the terms of the agreement to be signed with the sanitation services company selected by the City of Temple on this date.

City Administrator Bill Osborne stated that he would like to table items six and seven. He stated that we would need to have a Special Called Meeting, probably on Thursday, where these items can be addressed. There was a motion by Council Member Miller to table items six and seven, second by Council Member Bracknell. Vote 4-0.

7. Set the rates for sanitation collection and disposal services for residential, commercial, and industrial customers for the one-year period starting July 1, 2019, and extending through June 30, 2020.

This item was tabled in item number six.

8. Select the firm of Gray Pannell & Woodward to serve as the City of Temple's bond counsel for implementation of the plan for the Carroll County Water Authority (City of Temple Projects) Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2010, with the City to pay \$1,000,000.00 on the current bond debt and to borrow approximately \$4,145,000.00 having a projected final maturity date of January 1, 2032.

City Attorney Carey Pilgrim explained that Gray Pannell and Woodward had been used as bond counsel previously. It was his understanding from Mr. Bill Camp that this is who the City has used before, and he thinks they would be fine to use again. There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to select the firm of Gray Pannell and Woodward to serve as the City's bond counsel, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 4-0.

9. Authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement for a propagation study to be done by a qualified company to determine the feasibility of using current Georgia Power towers in the Temple area for the remote reading and transmission of usage data as recorded on the residential, commercial, and industrial water meters installed by this City government, with the cost being charged to the Contingency line item in the Water Distribution Department's Water and Sewer Fund budget.

City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that they have been working on the water meters for a long time and that we are getting closer. The propagation study needs to be completed so that we can move forward; Mr. Osborne thinks this will be a wise investment. Council Member Bracknell stated this was discussed at the Committees meeting and he made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement for the propagation study, second by Council Member Wallace. Vote 4-0.

10. Authorize the Mayor to sign a change order in the City of Temple's contract with AB Construction & Development, LLC, in the amount of \$1,765.00 for providing and installing wire shelving in the freezer and cooler facilities located in the new addition to the Temple Senior Center, with funds from the 2015 SPLOST revenue.

City Administrator Bill Osborne stated that there will be no action taken on this item tonight.

11. Announce the June 20 resignation of Recreation Director Joe Wilson, with his final day of employment to be July 12; and announce resumes currently are being received by the City of Temple from applicants seeking to succeed Mr. Wilson.

Mayor Michael Johnson explained that Mr. Wilson, the Recreation Department Director is leaving and his last day of employment will be July 12, 2019.

Executive Session, if needed

There was a motion by Council Member Bracknell to go into Executive Session, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 4-0. Executive Session began at 7:34PM, Mayor Johnson stated that he did not expect there to be any action taken after the Executive Session.

Executive Session ended at 7:49PM. There was a motion to come out of Executive session and back into the regular meeting by Council Member Miller, second by Council Member Walden, vote 4-0.

Closing Comments

Mayor Johnson- gave props to the Public Works Department and Police Department in dealing with the leak on Highway 113; we appreciate their efforts and the extra hours.

Adjournment

There was a motion to adjourn by Council Member Bracknell, second by Council Member Miller, vote 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:51 PM.