



**CITY OF PORTERDALE
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA
City Hall, 2800 Main St. Porterdale, GA
Monday, April 05, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.
Minutes**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Arline Chapman at 6:30 p.m. The following members of the City Council were present: Post 1 – Kay Piper, Post 2 - Linda Finger, Post 3 – Michael Patterson, Post 4 – Mike Harper, and Post 5 - Lowell Chambers.

The following staff members were also in attendance: City Manager Frank Etheridge, City Attorney Tim D. Chambers, and City Clerk Kathy Boutry.

Council Member Michael Patterson led a short invocation and Mayor Arline Chapman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

Council Member Linda Finger made the motion to approve the agenda, which was seconded by Council Member Michael Patterson.

Motion carried unanimously.

Review and Approval of Minutes

Council Member Linda Finger made the motion to approve the minutes dated March 1, 2021, which was seconded by Council Member Lowell Chambers.

Motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing for Rezoning Request – Request to Rezoning 28.28 of property currently zoned Commercial General back to R-3 for Cedar Shoals Project, LLC. This property is located along Covington Bypass (CR 653) and is part of the overall Cedar Shoals development project.

Brad Mitchell represented the Cedar Shoals Project, requesting to rezone 28.28 acres of the existing 33.97 acres of CG zoned property of the Cedar Shoals property along the Covington Bypass to R-3.

City Manager Frank Ethridge explained that everything else in the Cedar Shoals Project will stay the same.

Council Member Kay Piper made the motion to closed the Public Hearing, which was seconded by Council Member Lowell Chamber.

Motion carried unanimously.

Update on the Preliminary Plat for Cedar Shoals showing the Proposed Phasing Line

Council Member Kay Piper made the motion to approve the rezoning of the Cedar Shoals project, with updated the zoning map, which was seconded by Council Member Mike Harper.

Motion carried unanimously.

Request to Use Old Gym

City Manager Frank Etheridge read the request from Sandy Bohanan with “The Hope Project” requesting to use the Old Gym on the 1st Saturday of each month for no charge. The New Hope Project is a registered non-profit which is focused on addressing youth suicide issues in the community (Porterdale and the surrounding areas.)

Council Member Kay Piper made the motion to approve the request as stated, which was seconded by Council Member Mike Harper.

Council Member Lowell Chamber suggested that City Manager Frank Etheridge come up with a contract before approve the request.

Council Member Lowell Chamber made the motion to amend the request, which was seconded by Council Member Michael Patterson.

Motion carried unanimously.

Request to Purchase Financial Software (Reconsideration)

City Manager Frank Etheridge represented the QS1 and asked the Council Members to reconsider the purchase of the software.

Council Member Kay Piper suggested that the city postpone the request until the 2019 audit is final and update on the 2020 budget. Council Member Linda Finger stated the city it is time to make a change. Council Member Michael Patterson agreed that the city needs to change their software. City Clerk Kathy Boutry explained how difficult it is to work with the systems the city is current using.

Council Member Kay Piper made the motion to withdrawn the request, which was seconded by Council Member Lowell Chambers.

Motion carried unanimously.

Request to Purchase Zero-Turn Commercial Lawn Mower

City Manager Frank Etheridge presented the request to purchase a Hustler Fastrack 54- inch zero turn mower for \$5591.00.

City Manager Etheridge reminded the Council Members that the second commercial zero - turn the City owned was destroyed in 2020 when an employee ran it without oil.

Council Member Linda Finger made the motion to approve the request, which was seconded by Council Member Michael Patterson.

Motion carried unanimously.

Preliminary Presentation of Proposed Filming Ordinance and Revised Application

City Manager Etheridge presented the first Proposed filing Ordinance as read.

City Manager stated that the existing filming permit had some issues during the last filming in town. The next schedule movie is by Amazon and is being called “My Best Friends Exorcism.” Which is schedule to be filmed the week of May 11th.

After a brief discussion and presentation of the Ordinance.

Council Member Kay Piper made the motion to accept the reading as the 1st and 2nd reading, which was seconded by Council Member Michael Patterson.

Motion carried unanimously.

Appointments - Zoning Commission

City Manager Ethridge introduced the new Zoning Commission Member Danielle Solomon.

Danielle Solomon stated that she is glad to be part of the community. Mrs. Solomon says she is willing to help make changes in the community by impermeant new ideas to keep the community beautiful. Mayor Arline Chapman and the Council Members welcomed Mrs. Solomon.

Citizens Comments

Ms. Patty Robbins complained about the traffic and people driving fast on Highway 81.

Comments by Mayor

Mayor Arline Chapman reminder the Council Members about the Retreat for April 10, 2021, that will be held at the FFA Center. Mayor also, stated that she was offered to serve as a mentor for newly elected official by GMA.

Comments by City Council

Council Member Lowell Chambers stated that he was glad they the Council now have a full staff and welcomed everyone.

Council Member Linda Finger stated that she was offered to serve as a mentor for newly elected official by GMA.

Staff and Committee Reports

City Manager Etheridge went over the Police reports, and the finance reports.

Executive Session

None

Adjourn


A motion to adjourn the City Council Meeting was made by Council Member Mike Harper, seconded by Council Member Michael Patterson.

Prepared by KB 04/05/2021

ATTEST:



Kathy Boutry, City Clerk



Timothy D. Chambers, City Attorney




Linda Finger, Council Member Post 2


Mike Harper, Council Member Post 4



Arline Chapman, Mayor



Kay Piper, Council Member Post 1



Michael Patterson, Council Member Post 3



Lowell Chambers, Council Member Post 5