



Georgia's Historic Mill Village

**CITY OF PORTERDALE
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA**

City Hall, 2800 Main St. Porterdale, GA

Monday, May 03, 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.

Post 4 - Mike Harper

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 with correction dated April 5, 2021, which was seconded by Council Member Michael Patterson.

Motion carried unanimously.

Recognition of City Clerk for City Clerks Month

Mayor Arline Chapman recognized City Clerk Kathy Boutry and all her hard work as part of Professional Municipal Clerks Week.

Mayor Arline Chapman presented a proclamation to City Clerk Boutry and thanked her for everything she does for the city.

Professional Municipal Clerks Week runs from May 2 to May 8. 2021 is its 52nd Anniversary.

Introduction of Facebook Community Service Project

City Manager Frank Etheridge introduced Manager Jeremy Thacker, from Holder Construction. Holder Construction is a contractor construction company for FACEBOOK Community Service Project.

Jeremy shared his background with the City and stated it's all about the community and he is glad to be part of the project.

Mayor Arline Chapman, Council Members, and staff thank Holder Construction for a well-done job on cleaning up the community.

Appointment for the Zoning Commission

City Manager Ethridge presented Callie Weir. Callie Weir shared her background with the City and stated that she is glad to be part of the community.

Council Member Michael Patterson made the motion to approve the New Zoning Commission Member, which was seconded by Council Member Mike Harper.

Mayor Arline Chapman and the Council Members welcomed Mrs. Callie Weir.

Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen Comments

City Council Member Kay Piper suggested to move Item 15 (Citizen Comment) to Item 11.

Council Member Michael Patterson made the motion to move item number 15 (Citizen Comment) to item number 11, seconded by Council Member Lowell Chamber.

Comments by the following: Danielle Solomons, Quinavius Wright, Cynthia Benton, Jeremy Thacker, Patty Robbins, Callier Weir and Cacey Mitchell.

Shared concerned from the Citizen:

1. How the City got behind on the bills?

City Manager Frank Etheridge stated that these are old debt, and the City wasn't paying all the balance that was due in that month, during that time fame.

Mayor Arline Chapman stated that there were some bookkeeping problems.

2. Why the grass is not being cut in the community?

City Etheridge explained that the City is short of staff, plus they are behind on their duties. And they are working on catching up their duties.

3. What are the Loans for?

2004 Project, and \$20 plus loan

4. Why is there a dumpster on Elm St?

Code Enforcement stated that the person at 16 Elm St. is cleaning their home out, and the container will be move after they are finished.

5. How are the city fixing the past due bills?

City Etheridge stated that the City is now paying the current bill and part of the past due amount. The City is current on all debts except for Newton County Water, Water and Sewer Authority, and Carter and Slope.

6. What days are the bulk waste pick up?

City Manager Etheridge stated on Fridays the assigned day, but if any water or sewer issues, it will be pickup on Mondays.

Mayor Arline Chapman stated that the city is working on fixing the problems the city is having.

Discussion of FY 2020 Final Budget Amendment

City Manager Ethridge stated that GMA Representative Sherri Bailey and City Clerk Kathy Boutry are working on the 2020 budget.

Update of FY 2019 Audit and American Recovery Plan

City Manager Ethridge suggested that the Mayor and Council Members, pay off the old debts, off set U.S.D.A. Loan, resurface of the roads, and replace water and meters with the funds that the City will receive. City Manager also stated that the City will received \$465,000.00. Phase 1- \$235,500.00 (July 2021) and Phase 2 - \$229,500.00 (2022).

Council Member Lowell Chamber made the motion to approve the discussion, which was seconded by Council Member Kay Piper.

Motion carried unanimously.

Third Hearing on Proposed Filming Ordinance

City Attorney played the audio of the 3rd and final reading of the Film Ordinance. After the audio, Council Members made the decision to change the following rules below:

(e) *Filming in residential areas.*

- (1) (a) Filming shall be conducted between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 10:00 pm. All set up, filming and take down shall occur during these hours. All residents within 200 linear feet of the filming locations must be notified in writing and compensated by Applicant at a minimum rate of \$50 per each day of film activity. No exceptional activities such as pyrotechnics or explosions shall be conducted between 10:00 pm and 7:00 a.m.

- (b) Filming activity may be extended for two additional hours (i.e., between 10:00 pm and midnight) if application is made therefore on the initial Permit application. In the event a permit is issued to allow filming activity during this additional 2-hour period, all residents within 200 linear feet of the filming

locations must be notified in writing and compensated at the minimum rate of \$25.00 for each day on which filming occurs during the additional 2 hour period.

- (2) Impacted residents shall be notified in writing at least three (3) days in advance of filming of any road closures and shall be compensated by Applicant at a minimum rate of \$100 per day for their inconvenience. Such notification shall include information regarding the relevant filming location, as well as the use of any special effects.

Council Member Kay Piper made the motion to adopting as amend the 3rd and final reading of The Film Ordinance with the changes of sub section, which was seconded by Council Member Michael Patterson.

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss Real estate was made by Council Member Mike Harper, seconded by Council Member Michael Patterson.

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to exit from Executive Session and return to the regular session of the City Council was made by Council Kay Piper, seconded by Council Member Lowell Chambers.

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of 13 Pink Street and Home Encroachment onto Rose St Unopened Right-of-Way

Code Enforcement Will Milligan stated that the address should be 13 Pink St instead of 9 Pink St.

City Council Member Kay Piper suggested that the city postponed the decision until City Manager Frank Etheridge has the time to find out what the city should do, which was seconded by Council Member Linda Finger.

Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion on City Street Traffic Patterns and the need at Additional One-Way Roads

City Manager Frank Etheridge, discussed a City traffic patterns for the community and also would like to create a community committee.

Comments by Mayor

Comments by City Council

Post 1 Council Member Kay Piper stated that she appreciated what the volunteer worker and the city's staff are doing in the community.

Post 2 – Council Member Linda Finger stated that she hopes that we the city will get everything back on scheduled. Main Street

Post 3 – Council Member Michael Patterson inform the Mayor and Council Members that he is still working on the website and he will be asking revive new picture.

Post 5 – Council Member Lowell Chambers stated that he was happy about some of the things going on DOT

Staff and Committee Reports

City Manager inform the city that the city's staff have being helping at the parks.

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

Police Chief informed the city that the Police Department will sponsor a Kickball Tournament for the Porterdale Community on May 21, 2021 and if anyone would like to donate, please contact him. Council Member Kay Piper donated to the organization.

Adjourn

Council Member Mike Harper made the motion to adjourn the City Council Meeting at 10:00pm, seconded by Council Member Michael Patterson.

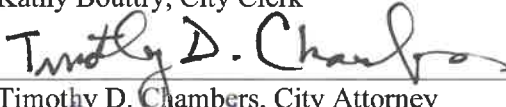
Motion carried unanimously.

Prepared by KB 05/03/2021

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

