

The regular meeting of the Grovetown City Council was held on Monday, September 12, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. Those present were Mayor Gary Jones, Councilwoman Vickie Cook, Councilwoman Sylvia Martin and Councilman Eric Blair. Also present were Water and Sewer Department Operations Manager Raymond Fulcher, Public Safety Director Scott Wheatley, Acting Director of Planning and Community Development John Waller, Events Coordinator Janet Wheatley, City Accountant Richard Matthews, City Administrator Shirley Beasley, City Attorney Brendan Fleming and Acting City Clerk Roxanne Brown. Councilman Dennis Trudeau and Public Works Director Michael Woods were not present.

1.

Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Gary Jones called the meeting to order and acknowledged a quorum.

2.

Invocation

Councilman Eric Blair led the invocation.

3.

Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Gary Jones led the pledge of allegiance.

4.

Approval of Agenda

Councilwoman Martin made the motion to approve the agenda. Councilman Blair seconded the motion, all in favor and motion carried.

5.

Approval of Minutes

Councilwoman Cook made a motion to approve the minutes from the August regular and the 11th called meeting. Councilwoman Martin seconded the motion, all in favor and motion carried.

6.

Financial Statement

Councilwoman Martin made the motion to approve the Financial Statement. Councilman Blair seconded the motion, all in favor and motion carried.

OPERATING FUNDS

General Fund- Regions	\$ 388,168.38
General Fund – Queensborough	\$ 606,148.27
Water/Sewer Regions	\$ 408,996.21

Water Sewer Queensborough	\$1,093,079.75
Stormwater Queensborough	\$ 245,073.35
Renewal & Extension	\$ 598,332.60
Total	\$3,339,798.56
o/s bills	\$ 85,663.23
Total	\$3,425,461.79

NON OPERATING FUNDS

Certificates	\$2,400,000.00
SPLOST	\$1,138,943.65
Money Market	\$ 315,686.77
W/S Reserves	\$ 350,563.37

TOTAL ALL FUNDS \$7,630,655.58

7.

Public Announcements

There were no public announcements.

8.

Legal Matters

Councilwoman Cook made a motion to go into executive session at 6:35 p.m. Councilman Blair seconded the motion, all in favor and the motion carried.

Councilman Blair made a motion to come out of executive session at 6:50 p.m. Councilwoman Martin seconded the motion, all in favor and the motion carried.

While in executive session, a legal matter was discussed. There were no votes or action taken.

9.

General Business: Unfinished

There was none.

10.

General Business: New

10A.

Petra Reese – Discuss Newman Lane

Ms. Reese expressed her concerns over Newman Lane being too narrow. She suggested that it either be a one-way street or be widened. She also mentioned putting in speed bumps to slow traffic down.

10B.

Municipal Court/Judges Contract

Councilman Blair made a motion to table. Councilwoman Martin seconded the motion, all in favor and the motion carried.

10C.

Approve New Fire Hydrant Meter Application

Councilwoman Cook made a motion to approve the new application. Councilman Blair seconded the motion, all in favor and the motion carried.

10D.

Georgia Court Tax Refund Intercept Program

Councilwoman Cook made a motion to approve the program. Councilwoman Martin seconded the motion, all in favor and the motion carried.

10E.

Approve Computers for Police Vehicles

Councilman Blair made a motion to approve the purchase. Councilwoman Martin seconded the motion, all in favor and the motion carried.

10F.

Public Safety Facilities Renovations – Phase I Bids

Councilwoman Martin made a motion to award the bid to the apparent low bidder, Kuhlke Construction, in the amount of \$266,189. Councilman Blair seconded the motion, all in favor and the motion carried.

11.

Citizens Comments

Mr. Allen Transou expressed his concerns over the condition of Liberty Park and Goodale Park in Grovetown. He said there are lots of kids in Grovetown that need a nice park.

He also expressed his concerns about the retention ponds still not being cleaned out in Senator's Ridge.

Ms. Bonnie Caldwell expressed her concerns over a neighbors grass that has not been mowed and the problem she is having with bugs and mice because of it.

12.

Adjourn

Councilwoman Cook made the motion to adjourn. Councilman Blair seconded the motion, all in favor and motion carried.

Gary Jones, Mayor

Dennis Trudeau, Mayor Pro-tem

Vickie Cook, Council

Sylvia Martin, Council

Eric Blair, Council

Roxanne Brown, Acting City Clerk

Shirley Beasley, City Administrator