

Mayor Sikes called the regularly scheduled meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with all Council Members present.

Mayor Sikes called for the approval of the January 3, 2005 and January 19, 2005 Regular and Executive Session minutes. Dr. Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes as recorded. The motion was seconded by Mr. Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Sikes read and presented a proclamation to Central Gwinnett High School's FBLA President Chris Wallace and Treasurer Nikita Hall proclaiming February 14 – 18, 2005 as FBLA week in Lawrenceville.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Powell explained the Consent Agenda which consisted of the following item:

1. Approval of the contract with Equifax for verifying new utility accounts. By agreeing to the contract with Equifax, the City agrees to pay Equifax an initial set-up fee in the amount of \$525.00 and an additional fee of \$2.00 per customer. The City further approves an increase in the connect fee (for both in-city and out-of-city customers) by \$2.00. The proposed guidelines for verifying new utility accounts with the City are attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

Mr. Burson then made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rodriguez. The motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Baroni informed the audience that the council is required to answer ethics questions on zoning issues. For the following rezoning requests, all council members including the Mayor, answered "no" to all the ethics questions. Mr. Baroni stated that the council's affidavits are on file in the Planning and Zoning office.

Mayor Sikes called on Mr. Scott Smith to present a rezoning request for Diversified Technical Group. Mr. Smith stated that they are requesting that the 2-acre parcel located in the 100 block of East Hurricane Shoals Road be rezoned from LM to BG. Mr. Smith informed the council that his client is planning to construct a 24,000 sq. ft. professional office complex on the site. Mr. Rodriguez made a motion to approve the rezoning with a 10' buffer to include leyland cypress trees planted on 10' centers and the stipulations recommended by the Planning Commission which are: 1) per site plan; 2) one story brick; 3) professional or support uses. The motion was seconded by Rick Johnson. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

Mr. Matt Ritter presented the sketch plat for River Song subdivision. Mr. Leonard stated that the revised plat was not received until February 7th. Mr. Rodriguez made a motion to

approve the sketch plat with leyland cypresses being planted 5' on centers around the detention facility walls to act as a screen; access to open space from Mallory Trace and River Melody Drive by fee simple ownership of the homeowners association; and allow green space across the creek to be used in openspace calculations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Johnson. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

Mr. Brad Leonard presented a Zoning Ordinance Amendment to Section 7.4 (RS-60). Mr. Leonard explained that all the changes are highlighted in blue and explained each change. Mr. Cheek asked if there has been a problem with the RS-60 zoning classification and why the council is changing the requirements. After a brief explanation, Mr. Rodriguez made a motion to approve the ordinance amendment with the Minimum Development size requirement being changed to 10 acres instead of 20 acres. The motion was seconded by Mr. Burson. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

Mr. Leonard then presented Nuisance Complaint NC-05-01 for the property located at 421 Village Bluff Drive. Mr. Leonard explained that the house has fire damage and has been in poor condition for quite a few months. Mr. Johnson made a motion to proceed with the next step of the nuisance complaint process. The motion was seconded by Mr. Rodriguez. The motion carried unanimously. (See Exhibit File)

Dr. Johnson made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Johnson. The motion carried unanimously.

After the Executive Session, Mr. Powell explained that eight items involving real estate were discussed, three matters of litigation were discussed, and the third and fourth real estate issues received unanimous votes. The first litigation matter that was discussed received a unanimous vote.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Bobby Sikes, Mayor

Robert P. Baroni, City Clerk