

**CEDARTOWN CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
JANUARY 14, 2013**

Commissioners Present: Dale Tuck, Chairman
John Barrett, Chairman Pro-Tem
Gary Martin
Larry Odom
Scotty Tillery

Also Present: Bill Fann, City Manager
Carey Pilgrim, City Attorney
Carol Crawford, City Clerk

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Commission Chairman Tuck called the meeting to order. Bishop Joseph Sewell of Lake Creek Anointed Ministries gave the invocation, which was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag.

COMMISSION CHAIRMAN AND CHAIRMAN PRO-TEM APPOINTMENTS

Attorney Carey Pilgrim opened the floor for nominations for Chairman of the City Commission. Commissioner Odom nominated Commissioner Tuck to the position of Chairman of the City Commission. Commissioner Barrett seconded the nomination, all voting "Aye" and none voting "No" the Commission approved Commissioner Tuck as Chairman of the City Commission. Commissioner Tillery made a motion to close nominations for the Chairman position, Commissioner Martin seconded, all voting "Aye" none voting "No" the Commission closed nominations for the City Commission Chairman position.

Attorney Pilgrim opened the floor for nominations for Commission Chairman Pro-Tem. Commissioner Odom nominated Commissioner Tillery to the position of Commission Chairman Pro-Tem and the nomination was seconded by Commissioner Barrett. Commissioner Tillery declined the nomination of the Chairman Pro-Tem position. Commissioner Odom withdrew his nomination for Commissioner Tillery as Commission Chairman Pro-Tem. Commissioner Odom nominated Commissioner Barrett to the position of Commission Chairman Pro-Tem, seconded by Commissioner Tillery, all voting "Aye" none voting "No" the Commission approved Commissioner Barrett as Commission Chairman Pro-Tem. Commissioner Odom made a motion to close nominations for the City Commission Chairman Pro-Tem position, Commissioner Martin seconded, all voting "Aye" none voting "No" the Commission closed nominations for the City Commission Chairman Pro-Tem position.

AGENDA & MINUTES APPROVED

A motion was made by Commissioner Odom to approve the current agenda, seconded by Commissioner Martin, all voting "Aye" none voting "No" the Commission approved the current agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett to approve the City Commission meeting and executive session meeting minutes of December 10, 2012, seconded by Commissioner Odom, Commissioner Tillery voting "Aye" and Commissioner Martin abstained from voting as he was absent at the December 10th meeting, the Commission approved the minutes as submitted by the secretary.

A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett to approve the public hearing minutes for the 2013 budget, seconded by Commissioner Odom, all voting "Aye" none voting "No" the Commission approved the minutes as submitted by the secretary.

A motion was made by Commissioner Martin to approve the Special Call City Commission meeting and executive session meeting minutes of December 20, 2012, seconded by Commissioner Barrett, Commissioner Odom voting "Aye" and Commissioner Tillery abstained from voting as he was absent at the December 20, 2012 meeting, the Commission approved the minutes as submitted by the secretary.

A motion was made by Commissioner Barrett to approve the Special Call City Commission meeting minutes of December 21, 2012, seconded by Commissioner Martin, all voting "Aye" none voting "No" the Commission approved the minutes as submitted by the secretary.

PROCLAMATION – GLENN T. YORK, JR.

Commission Chairman Tuck read a proclamation recognizing the late Glenn T. York, Jr. and his lifetime of accomplishments and outstanding dedication and contributions to Cedartown.

PROCLAMATION – REVEREND MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

Commission Chairman Tuck read a proclamation proclaiming Monday, January 21, 2013 as Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day and encouraging the citizens of Cedartown to work together to unite in their efforts by serving others and join the celebration honoring the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday.

RECOGNITION OF THE 2012 BOBBY ALEXANDER PUBLIC WORKS AWARD

Parks & Cemetery Laborer I Hollis Jackson was recognized as the recipient chosen by his fellow employees of the 2012 Bobby Alexander Public Works Award and received a cash award presented by Commission Chairman Tuck.

RECOGNITION OF THE 2012 RAY MERRITT PUBLIC SAFETY AWARD

Firefighter Jose Nevarez was recognized as the recipient chosen by his fellow employees of the 2012 Ray Merritt Public Safety Award and received a cash award presented by Commission Chairman Tuck.

DELEGATES – TARA PAYNE & RYDALL PALMER – COMPASSION BUILDING

Tara Payne and Rydall Palmer with the Compassion Building appeared before the Commission requesting: (a) permission to organize and hold a 4th of July parade in Cedartown and requested the use of the Bert Wood Youth & Athletic Complex on July 4th following the parade; (b) requested the use of the Bert Wood Youth & Athletic Complex on Saturday, March 23, 2013 for an Easter Egg Hunt; and (c) requested the use of the gym on February 20th and 21st for Tallatoona heating assistance. On motion by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Tillery, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” the Commission approved the requests made by Tara Payne and Rydall Palmer to organize and hold a 4th of July parade and use the Bert Wood Youth & Athletic Complex following the parade, to hold an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, March 23, 2013 at the Bert Wood Youth & Athletic Complex, and use of the gym on February 20th and 21st for Tallatoona heating assistance.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

- Congratulations to Firefighter Jose Nevarez and Parks and Cemetery Laborer I Hollis Jackson. Appreciate the efforts of these two employees. You could not find two finer employees.
- Notification received from Charter Communications of increases effective February 2013.
- CSX has scheduled track maintenance.
- A budget comparison report shows both division budgets came in under budget. The water fund was 85.42% and the general fund was 93.61%. The revenues were right on track. Water fund was 99.3% and general fund was 108.17%.
- Kelvin Garmon is home, recovering and doing well.

CONTRACT WITH THE GDOT FOR SIDEWALK REHABILITATION DOWNTOWN

On motion by Commissioner Tillery, seconded by Commissioner Martin, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” the Commission approved a contract with the Georgia Department of Transportation for sidewalk rehabilitation downtown for \$59,986.

YOUTH WORKING TOGETHER FOR A “SPEEDY” AWARENESS”

The YWTSA appeared before the Commission and read to the Commission the 2013 MLK event schedule and the accomplishments of the YWTSA.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Commissioner Odom thanked City Manager Bill Fann for the job he is doing and stated that all his phone calls and complaints are gone and that he appreciates the job Mr. Fann is doing.

Commissioner Barrett thanked the city staff and City Manager Fann for the jobs they do.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Martin moved to call an executive session to discuss legal and real estate matters. Commissioner Barrett seconded, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” the Commission went into executive session.

On motion by Commissioner Tillery, seconded by Commissioner Martin, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” the Commission came out of executive session.

ADJOURN

At 7:25 p.m., there being no further business for consideration, Commissioner Tillery moved to adjourn. Commissioner Martin seconded, and the vote was unanimous in favor.

APPROVED:

**CHAIRMAN, CEDARTOWN
CITY COMMISSION**

ATTEST:

**SECRETARY,
CEDARTOWN CITY COMMISSION**

