

# MINUTES

## City of Carrollton Mayor and Council Meeting

### July 11, 2011

### 6:00 p.m.

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Public Safety Complex, Court/Council Chambers, 115 West Center Street,  
Carrollton, Georgia

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The Mayor and City Council met in regular session on Monday, July 11, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. in the Public Safety Annex Building, 115 West Center Street, Carrollton, Georgia. Mayor Garner called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present: Mayor Wayne Garner, Councilmember Peter Balega, Councilmember Mandy Maierhofer and Councilmember Mike Patterson. Councilmember Byrd absent.

#### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Garner.

#### III. INVOCATION

Ms. Annie Boykin offered the invocation.

#### IV. MINUTES (June 6, 2011)

**Motion by Councilmember Maierhofer, seconded by Councilmember Patterson, to approve the Minutes of the June 6, 2011 meeting of the Mayor and Council. Motion passed (4-0). (Councilmember Byrd absent).**

#### V. ITEMS OF DISCUSSION

##### 1. Proclamation: Parks and Recreation Month

A proclamation was read designating the month of July as Parks and Recreation Month.

Mayor Garner expressed appreciation to Carrollton Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Director Wayne Gay and the Recreation Department for all they do.

##### 2. Certificate of Recognition: Carrollton Flexette Gymnasts

A Certificate of Recognition was read congratulating the Carrollton Parks, Recreation and Cultural Arts Department Flexettes and the following members who won various levels at the 2011 AAU and USAG State and National Championships: Melani Crone, Maddy Crone, Emily Huddleston, Katie Stone, Samara Wilson, Hallie Hoefling and Grace Hale.

##### 3. FY 2011-2012 Operating Budget

CM Coleman reported that at the June 6, 2011 Mayor and Council meeting, a public hearing was held on the proposed FY 2011-2012 Operating Budget. In addition, CM Coleman stated that the next and final step in the budget process calls for adoption of the proposed operating Budget for FY 2011-2012. **Motion by Councilmember Maierhofer, seconded by Councilmember Patterson to adopt the FY 2011-2012 Operating Budget as presented. Motion passed (4-0). (Councilmember Byrd absent).**

##### 4. Resolution 06-2011: School Bonds

City Manager Coleman presented Resolution 06-2011 to the Mayor and Council for consideration at the request of the Board of Education of the Carrollton Independent School System and as approved by the voters in the Carrollton Independent School System at the election held on March 15, 2011. Resolution 06-2011

provides for the levy and collection of an annual tax to provide funds for the payment of the principal and interest amounts on \$3,100,000 in aggregate principal amount of Carrollton (Georgia) Independent School System General Obligation bonds, Series 2011. CM Coleman advised that the City is not incurring any responsibility for repayment of any debt owned by the School System and that approval of Resolution 06-2011 is simply an approval for collection and payment to the school system. Mayor Garner inquired to the desire of the Council on the matter. **Motion by Councilmember Patterson, seconded by Councilmember Maierhofer to adopt Resolution 06-2011 Carrollton City School General Obligation Bonds, Series 2011. Motion passed (4-0). Councilmember Byrd absent.**

#### **5. Ordinance 01-2011: Voter Redistricting**

City Manager Coleman presented to the Mayor and Council for their consideration Ordinance 01-2011 (Election District Boundaries). CM Coleman advised that as required by law, this plan was presented at the June 6, 2011 meeting and has been available for public viewing at the City Clerk's Office and the Superior Court Clerk's Office for the required time. CM Coleman noted that if adopted, Ordinance 01-2011 will allow us to move forward in the election district approval process and that the next step in the process will be approval from the Department of Justice and from the State of Georgia General Assembly. In addition, CM Coleman advised that the elections scheduled to be conducted in November of this year will utilize the existing voter districts because the new voter districts most likely will not have final approval in time for candidate qualifying in August of this year. Mayor Garner inquired as to the desire of the Council on the matter. **Motion by Councilmember Balega, seconded by Councilmember Maierhofer to adopt Ordinance 01-2011 Election District Boundaries. Motion passed (4-0). (Councilmember Byrd absent).**

#### **6. Bids – Amphitheater**

City Manager Coleman presented to the Mayor and Council for their consideration bids received on the amphitheater project. CM Coleman advised that six qualified bidders responded and after close review, staff determined that Headley Construction Company of Newnan, GA was the lowest bidder and is compliant with design specifications. CM Coleman noted that Headley has offered to build the Amphitheater for \$864,000, with other bids ranging as high as \$1,070,000. CM Coleman emphasized that the bid price is for the Amphitheater and curbing and paving only and that there will be other expenses involved to complete the project so that it will be a finished show place. CM Coleman noted that project costs that are not included in the bid price are as follows:

- Tarpaulin (cover) for the Amphitheater – Approximate cost \$90,000-\$100,000.
- Relocating utilities – cost unknown at this time.
- Completing the park (in front of Tisinger Law Firm) – Approximate cost \$35,000-\$50,000
- Audio and Video Equipment – Approximate cost \$35,000 - \$50,000.

CM Coleman advised that city crews will do as much of the work as possible on the project and staff will purchase the cover for the amphitheater and audio/video equipment direct in order to save money. CM Coleman stated that the lock and key amount for the project would be approximately \$1.1 million.

Mayor Garner inquired as to whether there were any questions or comments on the matter. Councilmember Balega inquired as to how many participants the amphitheater would hold and CM Coleman advised that at full capacity it would hold approximately 800 people. **Motion by Mayor Garner, seconded by Councilmember Maierhofer to award the bid on the amphitheater project to the low bidder, Headley Construction, in the amount of \$864,000. and to move forward with the amphitheater project as presented. Motion passed (4-0). (Councilmember Byrd absent).**

#### **7. Appointment: Carrollton Library Board (1)**

**Motion by Councilmember Maierhofer, seconded by Councilmember Patterson to re-appoint Ms. Sue Medeiros to an additional term on the Carroll County Library Board (new term expiring June 20, 2014). Motion passed (4-0). (Councilmember Byrd absent).**

## **VI. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Ms. Annie Boykin of 149 Carter Street requested assistance with a dead tree situation in her neighborhood. CM Coleman advised that he would have city staff look into the matter and contact her regarding same.

Ms. Patricia West of 113 Wisteria Way complained about problems with abandoned property, drug activity, and burglaries in her neighborhood and inquired to the Mayor and Council as to the possibility of establishing a Neighborhood Watch program for the area. Mayor Garner advised that he would have Chief Joel Richards assist her with the matter. In addition, Mr. Kevin Agan, who is also a resident of Wisteria Way, thanked the Mayor and Council, Chief Richards and city staff for their assistance with the problems in the neighborhood.

## **VII. MAYOR AND COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Garner announced that the Backyard Chicken Ordinance is scheduled to be presented the next Mayor and Council meeting. In addition, Mayor Garner introduced Liam Worthington who would later adjourn the meeting.

Councilmember Patterson commented that the new Farmer's Cupboard Grocery Store on Rome Street is a wonderful addition to Carrollton and highly recommended it.

Councilmember Balega advised that the July 4<sup>th</sup> parade was wonderful.

Councilmember Maierhofer advised that she has had numerous visitors who have complimented the Carrollton community.

## **VIII. CITY MANAGER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

City Manager Coleman recognized City Schools Superintendent Kent Edwards and thanked him for his cooperation in working with the City. In addition, CM Coleman expressed appreciation to Commission Chairman Bill Chappell and Public Works Director Charles Pope for their assistance on the \$625K school road project improvements.

## **IX. ADJOURN**

There being no further business to address, the meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.