

**NOVEMBER 20, 2017  
CITY OF SENOIA  
MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
505 HOWARD ROAD  
7:00 PM**

**VISITORS:** Suzanne Helfman, Gail Downs, Dub Pearman, Pat Eichorst, Danielle Humber, Allison & Virgil Garrett, Frank Zeidler, Paulette Skantz, Lu Nations-Miller, Colleen Allerdice, Jackie Estes and Suzanne Pengelly

**FULL COUNCIL PRESENT**

**1. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME VISITORS**

Mayor Owens called the meeting to order and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Owens then declared this to be an open meeting duly convened under the Open Meetings Law after receiving confirmation from the City Clerk that all legal requirements have been met.

• **Pancreatic Cancer Proclamation**

Mayor Owens then read a Proclamation of the City of Senoia, Georgia declaring November 20, 2017 as "World Pancreatic Cancer Day" in Senoia.

**2. PUBLIC HEARING-Proposed Increase in Residential Sanitation Rates for 2018**

**A. Comments from City Manager**

City Manager Harold Simmons explained that when the original bid from Pollard Residential Waste was received and accepted in January 2017, it was proposed that each residential customer would be charged \$15.00 per month however, negotiations took place and Pollard agreed to keep the old rate of \$13.85 thru December 31, 2017. Mr. Simmons is asking Council to approve the increase for the residential sanitation rate to \$15.00 per resident.

**B. Comments from Public-None**

**C. Council Comment and Action**

Councilman Grover reminded all that the monthly fee was originally accepted and negotiated down.

C. Eichorst feels that the City's residential service has improved greatly and appreciates Pollard "holding the price down". Mayor Owens made motion to approve the residential sanitation rate increase to \$15.00 per resident beginning January 1, 2018. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Fisher and carried unanimously.

**3. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 6, 2017 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Councilman Grover made motion to approve the November 6, 2017 City Council minutes as presented & was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Eichorst. Motion carried unanimously.

**4. CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY-None**

**5. ADMINISTRATIVE/FISCAL MATTERS**

**A. Appointment to the Downtown Development Authority**

Out of those interested in serving, Councilman Fisher stated that the DDA has submitted the name of Cindy Divido to serve on the Downtown Development Authority. Mayor Owens made motion to appoint Cindy Divido to the DDA and was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Grover. Motion carried unanimously. C. Grover stated that Ms. Divido will be "a great addition".

**6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS-None****7. NEW BUSINESS****A. Brickhouse Self-Storage-Consideration of City Sewer Usage**

Mr. Simmons stated that the City has been approached by a developer who is building a retail center and storage facility on Hwy. 16 outside the city limits who would like to purchase sewer from the City. Mr. Simmons estimates the planned restaurant will use 2,500 GPD and the rest of the center, 960 GPD. If approved, the developer will consider a cart path from Fieldstone to the Village. C. Eichorst asked if there is interest in annexing and was told no, as the City prohibits storage facilities and they just wish to tap into our sewer. Representing the developer, Danielle Humber stated that there is already a sewer easement fronting the property. C. Fisher stated that if there is no annexation with the project and the developer will run the sewer at his expense, he's in favor. C. Eichorst made motion to approve the sewer connection for the Brickhouse project with the condition that the developer agrees in writing to do the trail. C. Grover reminded all that this will be a temporary trail to get our citizens to the park from the City and 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

**B. Acceptance of Streets-Traditions of Senoia**

Mayor Owens made motion to accept the streets for Traditions of Senoia to include storm water, right-of-ways and a 3-year maintenance bond. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Graham and carried unanimously. Regarding the maintenance bond, Ms. Rimi informed all that she will begin to review the road conditions after 2-1/2 years and act accordingly if needed.

**8. APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR**

Lu Nations-Miller of Seavy Street asked when the traffic study will be addressed by Council and was told that the City is currently reviewing the study with the developer. Mr. Simmons stated that he will speak to the developer tomorrow, try to get a time frame and will call Ms. Nations-Miller.

**9. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Light Up Senoia will be held Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Senoia Government Offices will be closed November 23-24<sup>th</sup> for the Thanksgiving Holiday
- Happy Thanksgiving!

**10. ADJOURN**

Mayor Owens made motion to adjourn the November 20, 2017 City Council meeting & was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Fisher. Motion carried unanimously.