

**APRIL 20, 2015
CITY OF SENOIA
MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
505 HOWARD ROAD
7:00 PM**

VISITORS: Linda Haggler, Mike Riley, Robert & Judy Belisle, Danny Harrison, Sarah Campbell, John Thompson, Don Rehman, Suzanne Helfman, Scott Tigchelaar, Beverly Owens, Brian Keller, Melissa Howell, Colleen Allerdice, Jordan & Jonathan Cooper, Glen Sr., Jason & Glen Jr. Roberts, Jeremi Roberts, Chasyn Roberts, Lloyd, Kari & Cole Sunvold, Michael Chirillo, David Lester, Chris Turner, Tommy Smith, Alan Conlan, Hezekiah Brown, Dave Buck, Brian Jagt, Pat Eichorst and Pat Sharpe.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Owens, Eichorst, Fisher and Grover

COUNCIL ABSENT: Graham

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.

2. APPROVAL OF APRIL 6, 2015 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

C. Grover made motion to approve the April 6, 2015 Council minutes as presented & was 2nd by C. Fisher. Vote to approve was 3-0-1 (C. Eichorst abstained-absent from meeting).

3. CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY-None

4. ADMINISTRATIVE/FISCAL MATTERS

A. Amendment to the Parks & Recreation Ordinance

Mayor Owens made motion to approve the 1st Read to the amended Parks & Recreation Ordinance. Motion was 2nd by C. Eichorst and carried unanimously. Mr. Ferry will check with other jurisdictions to see pricing of facilities, consider all City venues and amend specific language and bring back to Council for the 2nd read.

B. Appoint Steering Committee for the Comprehensive Plan

Mayor Owens made motion to appoint C. Eichorst, Suzanne Helfman, Maureen Schuyler, Bill Wood, Richard Ferry, Shelby Barker, Randy Padgett & Jason Edens as the Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee. Motion was 2nd by C. Grover and carried unanimously. Mr. Ferry stated that a 9th member will be added once this individual agrees to serve.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. 2ND Read Alcohol Ordinance

Mayor Owens made motion to approve the 2nd Read on the Alcohol Ordinance as presented & was 2nd by C. Fisher. Motion carried unanimously.

6. NEW BUSINESS**A. Stormwater Utility Proposal**

Councilman Fisher made motion to approve the Stormwater Utility Proposal received from Ecological Planning Group in the amount of \$25,150., further stating that the budget will be amended for this expenditure. Motion was 2nd by C. Grover and carried unanimously. **Stalwart**

B. Films-Request of Street Closings & Establish Temporary Parking Facilities

Mike Riley (Location Manager for Stalwart Films) is asking Council to approve the temporary closing of Gin Street for a few episodes that will take place outside the wall. Mr. Riley continued that the closings requested are for security reasons and will only be ½ day to 2 days and will not be for episode filmed. Mr. Riley is also asking approval to establish a base camp at Highway 16 and Broad Street (7779 Wells) and a parking location for equipment at the Fried Green Tomatoes lot on Broad Street. Both locations are zoned commercial. **Judy Belisle of Pylant Street** declined comment. **Robert Belisle of Pylant Street** stated that at a meeting held with Mr. Riley on the subject of closing Morgan Street all were assured that Gin Street would remain open. Mr. Belisle is opposed to the temporary closing as there is no alternative for truck traffic. **Julie Brown of Georgia Mercantile** stated she feels confident in Stalwart and the security provided on her walking tours and would like to see Stalwart and the City work it out...Ms. Brown is in support. **Dave Buck of Bell Springs** thanked Council for their cooperative spirit and working with Stalwart and feels that all can find a way to work this out and is in support of the request. **Brian Jegt lives on the Gin Property** and is in support of the request and thanked council for their efforts, stating that the filming is beneficial to all and does not see the request as an inconvenience. **Scott Tigchelaar**, also lives on the Gin property and stated he is here in support of Stalwart's request, feels Mr. Riley has always been a man of his word and a good steward and is definitely in favor. After much discussion, C. Eichorst made motion to allow the temporary closure of Gin Street until such time as the Howard Road project begins. Motion was 2nd by C. Fisher and carried unanimously. C. Eichorst again made motion to approve the equipment location at the Fried Green Tomatoes lot to include a 6 foot high wooden fence on three sides and approve the exception for gravel as contingent that the Land Development Ordinance is followed. Motion was 2nd by C. Fisher and carried unanimously. C. Eichorst amended his motion to include concrete at this location spanning the right of way. Motion was 2nd by C. Fisher and carried unanimously. C. Fisher then made motion to approve the temporary locating for the base camp at 7779 Wells Street to include an 8 foot fence that will extend from the front of the current structure to the Luther Bailey Road right of way and on all sides, that the primary entrance is from the gate located at the building on Highway 16, the Land Development Ordinance is followed and the City receive a copy of the encroachment permit from GADOT. Motion was 2nd by C. Grover and carried unanimously.

7. APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR

Pat Sharpe addressed Council about a former employee that had allegedly harassed her at her residence.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Burn Ban from May 1, 2015 thru October 31st.
- Memorial Day Festivities & Fireworks Monday, May 25th
- The City will be accepting letters of interest from individuals who desire to serve on the Parks & Recreation Committee. Requests to serve will be accepted thru April.
- Mayor Owens thanked Code Enforcement Officer Bob Werner and all involved in another very successful Clean Up Senoia.

9. ADJOURN

Mayor Owens made motion to adjourn the April 20, 2015 City Council meeting & was 2nd by C. Fisher. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry M. Owens, Mayor

Debra J. Volk, City Clerk