

AGENDA
APRIL 6, 2015
CITY OF SENOIA
MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL
505 HOWARD ROAD
7:00 PM

VISITORS: Danny Harrison, Lee Zell, Sarah Campbell, John Thompson, Mike Riley, Don Rehman, Ken Etzell, Suzanne Helfman, Beverly Owens, Harry Ramos, Kari & David Coakley, Mary Giles and Colleen Allerdice.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Owens, Fisher, Graham and Grover

COUNCIL ABSENT: Eichorst

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. PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED FRONT SETBACK ENCROACHMENT AT 105 BEECH COURT

a. Comments from the Applicant

David Coakley of 105 Beech Court is asking Council approval for the front setback regarding the construction of a new porch.

b. Comments from the City Manager

Mr. Ferry commented that this will create uniformity to the neighborhood and there will be no adverse effect to the front yard.

c. Comments from the Public-None

d. Comments and Resolution by the Mayor and City Council

C. Grover asked for the distance between the sidewalk and porch & was told 1 foot. C. Fisher asked if there is an HOA in Springdale and if so, have they approved the plans? Mr. Coakley stated that there is in fact an HOA and they are in favor. C. Fisher added that if the HOA has approved, he has no problem with what is presented. C. Grover informed all that he has seen the improvements and they look excellent. With no further discussion, Mayor Owens made motion to approve the front yard setback encroachment as presented & was 2nd by C. Fisher. Motion carried unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF MARCH 16, 2015 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

C. Grover made motion to approve the March 16, 2015 Council minutes as presented & was 2nd by C. Graham. Motion carried unanimously.

4. CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY-None

5. ADMINISTRATIVE/FISCAL MATTERS

a. Presentation from National League of Cities regarding Insurance on Residential Water and Sewer Lines

Representing the National League of Cities, Lee Zell presented information on the Service Line Warranty Program that could be available to residents at no cost to the City. For a minimal monthly fee, residents can obtain homeowner repair protection on clogged or broken water and/or sewer lines from point of connection to their home. NLC is responsible for flyers and information to residents as well as billing. C. Fisher would like to see the information before deciding to endorse. Mr. Zell will email Council the packet.

b. Resolution 15-03 to Transmit Application for Funding of the Ivy Ridge to Seavy Street Trail Through the Transportation Alternatives Program

C. Fisher made motion to approve the transmittal of Resolution No. 15-03 & was 2nd by C. Graham. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Presentation by Michael Riley with Stalwart Films

Mr. Riley informed Council that Stalwart Films is getting ready with plans to begin filming season 6 and will return to next Council meeting with street closings, etc.

d. Work Authorization from Ecological Planning Group for Development of the 2015 Annual Report on the Storm Water Management Plan and Completion of Specific Items in the Plan

Mayor Owens made motion to approve the Work Authorization from Ecological Planning Group at a cost of \$15,135.00 & was 2nd by C. Grover. Motion carried unanimously.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS-None

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion of Proposed Amendment to the Land Development Ordinance Regarding Developer Indebtedness

C. Fisher feels there should be a relationship between the City, developers and the HOA's in the City as we have experienced builders filing bankruptcy, leaving unpaid taxes with currently, no accountability, further stating that this is a problem

nationally. Mr. Whalen agrees but added that there is no “simple fix” and will need to look in to this further for a solution. Mr. Ferry stated that this applies to their water usage as well. Mr. Whalen suggests including our Tax Commissioner in the discussion to seek additional suggestions. Don Rehman of Heritage Pointe stated that the developer has the bi-laws from the beginning and has control as long as they own 1 lot, suggesting having the residents involved and a change in permitting. Mr. Whalen will look in to this further and bring back.

b. Proposal from Georgia Power to Provide Power to Street Lights on Seavy Street Adjacent to 48 Main Street

Mayor Owens made motion to approve the proposal from Georgia Power for lights at 48 Main at a cost of 6,623.75 & was 2nd by C. Grover. C. Graham asked at whose expense & was told that the City collected insurance enough to cover the expense. With a motion and 2nd, vote to approve was unanimous.

8. APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR-None

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **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.**
- **Senoia Clean Up will be held Saturday, April 18th from 8-4:00 PM at the Senoia Ball Field parking lot located on Howard Road**

10.ADJOURN

Mayor Owens made motion to adjourn the April 6, 2015 City Council meeting & was 2nd by C. Graham. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry M. Owens, Mayor

Debra J. Volk, City Clerk