

February 4, 2019
City of Senoia
Meeting of Mayor & Council
505 Howard Road
7:00pm

VISITORS: Amanda Edens, Stacy Fisher, Kelly Simmons, Pat Eichorst, Stephanie Grover, Chance Grover, Tim Harper, Sharon Harper, Jim & Maureen Schuyler, Tom Malone, Richard Crouther, Chester Cannady, Stacy Brown, Steve Brown, Dave Whitis, Darlene Whitis, Katy Westbrook, Katherine Anders, Suzanne Helfman, Michael Rimi, Sarah Faye Campbell, Rod Wright, LJ Tucker Family, LJ Tucker, Kathleen Cox, Kayla Wasil, Melissa Stern, Enrico Dean, Chief Wilson

COUNCIL PRESENT: Fisher, Eichorst, Grover and Pearman
COUNCIL ABSENT: Graham

1. Call to Order/Welcome Visitors

Mayor Fisher welcomed those in attendance and all stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Fisher then declared this to be an open meeting duly convened under the Open Meetings Law after receiving confirmation from the Amanda Edens that all legal requirements have been met. Mayor Fisher made the official proclamation that February 4, 2019, LJ Tucker would be Mayor of Senoia for the day. LJ Tucker was presented with a key to the city.

2. Public Hearing – Standing Oaks-Standing Rock Road Annexation-Preliminary Plat- Rezoning

The developer, Rod Wright, spoke to the council regarding the terms of the annexation. He agreed to a 6-foot privacy fence around the cemetery, 8-foot wide multi-use cart path, and 28 lots located on the western boundary of the city on Standing Rock Road. The Community Developer, Dina Rimi, confirmed the terms of the annexation to the council and that annexation would fall under the R40C, residential conservation, which requires a 40% greenspace. The preliminary plat met all of the cities standards. She also stated that Rod Wright has requested the remaining 8.9 acres be rezoned to R40C.

A. Public Comments

Steve & Stacy Brown, 116 Standing Rock Road

They both shared their concern for the increase in traffic down Standing Rock. They were also concerned about the multi-use path running through their properties and its effect on their property value, safety on that road, the maintenance of the path by the city, and the effect the path would have on their pets. Mrs. Brown was concerned that the water run off located on the property would pose a negative effect on the erosion of the cart path. They also shared their concerns about what seemed to be a rush on the project without listening to the objections from the properties that will be directly affected. They are against this annexation.

Terry Hooks, 345 Gary Summers Road

Mr. Hooks referenced the November Senoia Planning Commission meeting in which they denied the annexation. He thought the council should take their recommendation.

Richard Crowther, 530 Standing Rock Road

Mr. Crowther shared his concern with the entire annexation process. His main concern was that should the multi-use path not be doable would the annexation stand as is.

Darlene Whitis, 560 Willow Dell Drive

Mrs. Whitis shared her concern over the proper notification to all residents that would be affected by the multi-use trail. She believes the cart path would cause more traffic, noise, and littering in the Willow Dell subdivision.

A. Councilman Comment & Action

Councilman Pearman reiterated that the multi-use cart path would not be on private property, but in the cities right of way and would be maintained by the city. Mayor Fisher strongly interjected that the annexation was not rushed and had been in the works for 6 months and it would be four years before the development was completed. He stated that if any conditions of the agreement were not met they would go back to the drawing board. He also reiterated that the recommendations by the Senoia Planning Commission were only recommendations and not necessarily, how council would proceed with the vote. Mayor Fisher made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 19-03 and was 2nd by Councilman Grover. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Public Hearing – 550 Seavy Street- Rezoning Preliminary Plat

Community Development Director, Dina Rimi, recommended approval for the 1-acre tract, which will be subdivided into (2) ½ acre lots. She stated that the infrastructure was in place and meets all the criteria's for the residential historic. The preliminary plat satisfied all of the cities criteria's. Councilman Grover made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 19-04 and was 2nd by Councilman Eichorst. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Public Hearing - 49 Standing Rock Road – Variance-Withdrawn by Applicant

3. Approval of January 7, 2019 City Council Meeting Minutes

Councilman Pearman made a motion to approve the January 7, 2019 City Council minutes as presented & was 2nd by Councilman Eichorst. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of January 28, 2019 Called Council Meeting Minutes

Councilman Eichorst made a motion to approve the January 28, 2019 Called City Council minutes as presented & was 2nd by Mayor Fisher. Motion carried unanimously with the exception of Councilman Grover who abstained due to absence.

4. CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY – None

5. ADMINISTRATIVE/FISCAL MATTERS

A. Ordinance No. 19-01-Land Development 40-57 Subdivision & Street Names

All city streets and subdivision names will now be approved by the Coweta County Community Development Department to ensure the public safety and mail delivery. Councilman Pearman made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 19-01 and was 2nd by Mayor Fisher. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Resolution No. 19-04-Coweta County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update

The counties hazard mitigation plan was updated and meets all FEMA requirements. The update is good from 2018-2023. The plan will be updated every 5 years. Councilman Eichorst made a motion to approve and was 2nd by Councilman Pearman. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Proposed Development Agreement- Standing Oaks

The item was tabled because the developer, Rod Wright, left the meeting. Mayor Fisher made a motion to table the item and was 2nd by Councilman Pearman. The motion carried unanimously

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

7. NEW BUSINESS - None

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS - None

9. APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR

- Coweta Fire Chief Wilson and Fire Marshall Dean presented Mayor for the Day, LJ Tucker, with an official fire suit, hat, and chief pins, and titled him Honorary Fire Chief of Coweta County.
- Kayla Cox from Encompass Mobility Rental presented LJ Tucker with a cart rental for the day to explore the city of Senoia.

10. ADJOURN

Councilman Eichorst made a motion to adjourn the February 4, 2019 City Council meeting and was 2nd by Councilman Pearman. Motion carried unanimously.