

City of Byron
Mayor and Council Minutes
February 12, 2024

The City of Byron Mayor and Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Complex. Mayor Michael Chidester, Council Members James Richardson, Rusty Adams, Michael Chumbley, Alan Dorsey, and Chris Hodges were in attendance. City employees that attended were City Administrator Tiffany Sandefur, City Clerk Telina Allred, Deputy Clerk Pam Flournoy, Police Chief Wesley Cannon, Public Works Director Tiffany Bibb, and Fire Chief Josh Riley. City Attorney Brian Causey attended the meeting as did 22 visitors. Representatives from the Leader Tribune and Byron Buzz were also in attendance.

Mayor Michael Chidester called the meeting to order at 6:00pm, asked James Richardson to give the invocation and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Chidester spoke on behalf of the City of Byron's 150th anniversary (sesquicentennial year) informing citizens of the many festivities planned. Informational pamphlets were distributed as well.

AGENDA AMENDED: Mayor Chidester asked that the agenda be amended to add as item (11) Audit Engagement Letter with Mauldin & Jenkins and as item (12) Stormwater Options in Manchester Subdivision.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve the minutes of the Mayor and Council Meeting held on January 8, 2024, a Public Meeting on January 10, 2024, and a Work Sessions held on January 25, 2024. Unanimous.

PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION: Mayor Chidester presented Ms. Laura Norris, Mr. Robert Hill, Mr. James Lasseter and many others from Peach Schools with a Proclamation for Career, Technical & Agricultural Education (CTAE) month in Byron to show support of the wonderful program. Many parents and students came out in support of the Proclamation as well.

CITIZEN TIME TO ADDRESS COUNCIL: No one to speak.

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COVENANT TO ANNEX: Motion made by Chris Hodges, seconded by Alan Dorsey to approve a Covenant to Annex at the request of Natalie White regarding property located at 1465 Kay Road for the purpose of acquiring water service. Unanimous.

CONVEYANCE OF PROPERTY: Motion made by Chris Hodges, seconded by Alan Dorsey to approve the acceptance of a conveyance of property located at 405 Boy Scout Road Parcel B01B 110. Unanimous.

ORDINANCE (#2024-1) REGARDING CHAPTER 4, ALCOHOL, NUMBER OF LIQUOR STORES: Second reading was held of AN ORDINANCE OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA, TO AMEND CHAPTER 4-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ARTICLE II-LICENSES, SECTION 4-51-GROUNDS FOR DENIAL, OF THE CODE OF BYRON, GEORGIA, SO AS TO UPDATE AND AMEND THE NUMBER OF LICENSES WHICH MAY BE ISSUED AND THE POPULATION BASIS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. Motion made by Alan Dorsey, seconded by James Richardson to adopt Ordinance #2024-1. Unanimous.

RESOLUTION REGARDING INMATE HOUSING: Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve the following Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with the Houston County Detention Center for inmate housing. Unanimous. (Resolution on file in the City Clerk's office at the Municipal Complex.)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BYRON AND THE CITY OF WARNER ROBINS AND THE HOUSTON COUNTY DETENTION CENTER AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Byron, Georgia and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the Mayor is authorized to execute an agreement with the City of Warner Robins and the Houston County Detention Center in

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substantially the same form as the attached Exhibit "A" which by this reference is made a part of this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED this 12th day of February, 2024.

RESOLUTION REGARDING EXTENSION OF A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM: Motion made by Chris Hodges, seconded by Michael Chumbley to approve the following Resolution authorizing the extension of a temporary moratorium for any new development in C-1, C-2, C-3 as well as I-1 districts. Unanimous. (Resolution on file in the City Clerk's office at the Municipal Complex.)

A RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO THE CHARTER AND CODE OF BYRON, EXTENDING AND MAINTAINING THE TEMPORARY MORATORIUM CURRENTLY IN EFFECT UNTIL FEBRUARY 28, 2024, ON THE APPLICATIONS, ZONING, PERMITTING, DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION, AND LAND USE IN ALL LAND PARCELS ZONED AS C-1 HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL AREA, C-2 CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, C-3 PUD GENERAL COMMERCIAL, AND I-1 GENERAL INDUSTRIAL AREA WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF BYRON, WITH THE EXTENSION OF AID MORATORIUM REMAINING UNTIL APRIL 30, 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SO RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA ON THE 12TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024.

RESOLUTION REGARDING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON RESIDENTIAL: Motion made by Chris Hodges, seconded by Alan Dorsey to approve the following Resolution authorizing a temporary moratorium on any new development for A-1, R-1, R-2, R-3, R-MH, and R-PUD. Unanimous.

A RESOLUTION PURSUANT TO THE CHARTER AND CODE OF BYRON, ESTABLISHING A TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE APPLICATIONS, ZONING, PERMITTING, DEVELOPMENT, CONSTRUCTION, AND LAND USE IN ALL LAND PARCELS ZONED AS A-1 AGRICULTURAL, R-1 LOW DENSITY

RESIDENTIAL, R-2 MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL, R-3 HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL, R-PUD, RESIDENTIAL PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, AND R-MH MOBILE HOME RESIDENTIAL WITHIN THE TERRITORIAL LIMITS OF THE CITY OF BYRON UNTIL APRIL 30, 2024; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

SO RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA ON THE 12TH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024.

RESOLUTION REGARDING SENIOR CENTER LEASE AGREEMENT: It was discussed that the Municipal Complex will rent Conference Room B to the MGCCA to be used as a Senior Center. The Senior Center will operate 250 days of the year. Motion made by Chris Hodges, seconded by James Richardson to approve the following Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Lease Agreement with Heart of Georgia Community Action Agency, Inc regarding a Senior Center in the amount of \$400.00 monthly. Unanimous. (Resolution on file in the City Clerk's office at the Municipal Complex.)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BYRON AND THE HEART OF GEORGIA COMMUNITY ACTION, INC REGARDING A SENIOR CENTER; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Byron, Georgia and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the Mayor is authorized to execute a lease agreement with Heart of Georgia Community Action, Inc. in substantially the same form as the attached Exhibit "A" which by this reference is made a part of this resolution.

All Resolutions or portions of Resolutions in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SO RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA ON THE 12th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2024.

AUDIT ENGAGEMENT LETTER: Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Rusty Adams to authorize the Mayor to sign an Audit Engagement Letter with Mauldin & Jenkins, Certified Public Accountants, to perform the 2023 Audit for the City of Byron. Unanimous.

STORMWATER OPTIONS: Motion made by Alan Dorsey, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve Option 1 for a shallow detention pond and its construction to pipe roughly 3,600 feet costing

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roughly \$965,250.00 for phase one prior to any land and easement acquisition or associated legal fees. Unanimous.

CLOSED SESSION: At 6:24pm, Motion was made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges that the Mayor and Council go into closed session all allowed by O.C.G.A. 50-14-2 for the purpose of discussing a real estate matter.

MOTION APPROVED

Those voting in favor of the motion for closure: Council Members Michael Chumbley, James Richardson, Rusty Adams, Alan Dorsey, and Chris Hodges. Those voting against the motion for closure: None.

Those attending the Closed Session were Mayor Michael Chidester, Council Members Rusty Adams, James Richardson, Michael Chumbley, Alan Dorsey, and Chris Hodges. City Attorney Brian Causey, City Clerk Telina Allred, Deputy Clerk Pam Flournoy, and City Administrator Tiffany Sandefur.

OPEN SESSION: Motion was made by Chris Hodges, seconded by Michael Chumbley to return to open session at 6:39pm. Unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges to adjourn the meeting at 6:39pm. Unanimous.

Telina Allred
Clerk of Council