

City of Byron
Mayor and Council Minutes
February 10, 2020

The City of Byron Mayor and Council met in regular session in the Council Chambers of the Byron Municipal Complex. Mayor Chidester and Council Members Michael Chumbley, James Richardson, Rusty Adams and Chris Hodge were in attendance. Alan Dorsey was absent. City Attorney Tom Richardson attended the meeting as did City Clerk Telina Allred, ECD Director Tiffany Sandefur, Director of Public Works Tiffany Bibb, Police Chief Wesley Cannon, Lt. Bryan Hunter, Chief Court Clerk Velma Ervin and Interim Fire Chief Josh Riley and Captain Bill Lavender. There were eighteen visitors at the meeting as well representatives from the Byron Buzz and Leader Tribune.

Mayor Chidester called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM, asked James Richardson to give the invocation, and led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

AGENDA AMENDED: Michael Chumbley asked to add to the agenda as item 11(A) authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of commitment regarding an EDA grant matching funds letter.

MINUTES APPROVED: Minutes of the Council Meetings held on January 6 and January 13, 2020 were unanimously approved upon motion by Chris Hodges and James Richardson.

*Mayor Michael Chidester was honored to give Special Recognition to Korean War Veteran Dan Gatlyn. Mr. Dan Gatlyn, a citizen of Peach County, served in the United States Navy during the Korean War and has received special recognition by the State of Georgia Commissioner of Veterans Services in the form of a letter. The Mayor stated that a Certificate of Honor was also signed by Commissioner Roby and Governor Kemp. The South Korean Government struck a special medal in recognition for those who served in Korea. Mayor Chidester proudly placed the medal around Mr. Gatlyn's neck and thanked him for his wonderful service.

AUDIT ACCEPTANCE LETTER: Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges to authorize the Mayor to sign an Audit Engagement Letter with Maudlin & Jenkins, Certified Public Accountants, so as to perform the 2019 Audit for the City of Byron. Unanimous.

ORDINANCE (#2019-14) REGARDING TELECOMMUNICATIONS IMPLEMENTATION: Second reading was held of an ORDINANCE (#2019-14) OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT THE GEORGIA STREAMLINING WIRELESS FACILITIES AND ANTENNAS ACT, OCGA TITLE 36, CHAPTER 66C AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Rusty Adams to adopt Ordinance #2019-14 regarding telecommunications implementation. Unanimous.

RESOLUTION REGARDING AGREEMENT WITH FAITH BUILT, LLC: Mayor Chidester asked if the clause identified as (#5) on the contract included language for the maintenance of Mayor and Council Minutes

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the stormwater infrastructure. City Clerk Telina Allred stated that it did. Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve the following Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a contract agreement with Faith Built, LLC or its assignee for the purchase and completion of the Hawk's Ridge Subdivision. 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 FAITH BUILT, LLC.; 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 Faith Built, LLC. 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 10th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2020.

RESOLUTION REGARDING SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FY2020: Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded Rusty Adams to approve the following Resolution authorizing the Supplemental Appropriations to the City of Byron General Fund FY2020 in the amount of \$7,777.92 regarding two (2) Lighting Services Agreements with Georgia Power at Hunter's Ridge and Meadow Walk Subdivision. 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 TO SUPPLEMENT THE GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS RESOLUTION PASSED BY MAYOR AND COUNCIL, THE 18th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2019 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council did by Resolution on the 18th day of December, 2019, adopt a budget for the operations of the City's functions for Fiscal Year 2020; and

WHEREAS, various supplemental budget adjustments are necessary to conduct the affairs of the City and to implement the policies of the governing body as set out on the attached Exhibit "A", which by this reference is hereby made a part of this Resolution.

BE IT RESOLVED by Mayor and Council of the City of Byron, Georgia and it is hereby so resolved by the authority of same that the additional sums of money itemized on Mayor and Council Minutes
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the attached Exhibit "A", for the various operations of the City of Byron General Fund be hereby appropriated, and those sums in parenthesis are hereby disappropriated for any line item appearing opposite the same.

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

SO ADOPTED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA ON THE 10th DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2020.

RESOLUTION REGARDING NOTICE OF AWARD: Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve the following Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign a Notice of Award and forthcoming contracts with LaKay Enterprises, Inc. for work on the project labeled as CIP C Stormwater Detention Facility. (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 NOTICE OF AWARD TO LAKAY ENTERPRISES, INC.; 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 Notice of Award to LaKay Enterprises, Inc. in substantially the same form as the attached Exhibit "A" which by this reference is made a part of this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED this 10th day of February, 2020.

CHURCH STREET DRAINAGE PROJECT (CIP J): Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve to engage Burke Murphe of Georgia Water Environmental Services, LLC to perform the needed work on Church Street drainage issues labeled as Stormwater Project CIP J. Unanimous.

PERMANENT BMP MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT: Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve the Mayor to authorize a Permanent BMP Maintenance Agreement with New Urban Development Corporation, LLC regarding Chick-fil-A #04585. Unanimous.

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RESOLUTION REGARDING SENATE BILL 309: Motion made by James Richardson, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve the following Resolution in support of SB 309 regarding Local Government Finance Authority and Broadband Funding Options. Unanimous. (Resolution on file in the City Clerk's office of the Byron Municipal Complex.)

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BYRON, GEORGIA SUPPORTING LEGISLATION FOR THE GEORGIA LOCAL GOVERNMENT INFRA-STRUCTURE FINANCE AUTHORITY ACT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, locally elected officials work in partnership with citizens, the state of Georgia and the federal government to address ongoing funding needs for infrastructure projects and other capital investments which are crucial to maintaining safe communities and impact economic development efforts; and

WHEREAS, Georgia cities have \$11.2 billion of capital needs between now and the year 2022, with the greatest needs being infrastructure, public safety and government buildings; and

WHEREAS, taxpayers consistently continue to invest local dollars by supporting Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) and Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST) referendums; and

WHEREAS, tax increases alone will not be sufficient to address all outstanding projects, state legislation to establish a local government finance authority would provide a lower cost, efficient source for municipal and county governments to fund various projects and equipment needs; and

WHEREAS, an authority could be operated by both Georgia Municipal Association (GMA) and Association County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG) to issue tax-exempt bonds to local government for financing of goods, real and personal property, structures and supplies; and

WHEREAS, such financing would be through revenue bonds pursuant to intergovernmental contracts; and

WHEREAS, while municipalities are currently authorized under Georgia law to participate in lease purchase financing, it is more expensive relative to other governmental financing options; and

WHEREAS, changing state law to provide municipalities and counties a more efficient funding source through the issuance of pooled revenue bonds by a local government finance authority will reduce the overall costs of capital spending and save Georgia taxpayers dollars.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Mayor and Council of the City of Byron, Georgia, and it is hereby so resolved that Mayor and Council of the City of Byron hereby voices its support for the Georgia Local Government Infrastructure Finance Authority Act.

SO RESOLVED this 10th day of February, 2020.

SURPLUS OF FLOOR BUFFER: Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by Chris Hodges to approve surplussing the Municipal Complex floor buffer machine to be presented to the Toomerville Community Center, Inc. through Mr. Jesse Hall.
Unanimous.

RESOLUTION REGARDING AGREEMENT WITH COMBINED EMPLOYEES CREDIT UNION: Mayor Chidester explained that Lieutenant Bryan Hunter had approached the city about considering the CECU be made an option for city employees. He further said that the CECU is a closed credit union that is only available to municipal employees. Motion made by Michael Chumbley, seconded by James Richardson to approve the following Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a membership agreement with Combined Employees Credit Union. Unanimous. (Resolution on file in the City Clerk's office at the Byron 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 COMBINED EMPLOYEES CREDIT UNION; 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 Combined Employees Credit Union in substantially the same form as the attached Exhibit "A" which by this reference is made a part of this Resolution.

SO RESOLVED this 10th day of February, 2020.

EDA GRANT FUNDING: Michael Chumbley stated that the Economic and Community Development Director Tiffany Sandefur and he had learned last week that the City had an

opportunity to apply for an Economic Development Administration (EDA) Disaster Supplemental Grant whereby the city would commit to providing a 20% cash match in the amount of \$543,000 for a water tower at the Industrial Park. Michael Chumbley made a motion, seconded by Rusty Adams to authorize the Mayor to sign a letter of commitment for an EDA grant matching funds in the amount of \$543,000 regarding a water tower for the Industrial Park. Unanimous. Mayor Chidester added that an extra water tower would aid in fire protection as well as another water source if a water line breaks.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion was made by Michael Chumbley, seconded Chris Hodges to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 PM. Unanimous.

Telina Allred
Clerk of Council