

City of Byron  
Mayor and Council Minutes  
May 18, 2022

The City of Byron Mayor and Council met in special session in the Council Chambers at the Municipal Complex. Mayor Michael Chidester, James Richardson, Rusty Adams, Chris Hodges and Alan Dorsey were in attendance. City employees that attended were City Clerk Telina Allred and City Administrator Tiffany Sandefur. There were three (3) visitors at the meeting, but no media attended.

Mayor Chidester called the meeting to order at 1:00pm.

DISCUSSION ON EASEMENTS: City Administrator Tiffany Sandefur and Stormwater Manager April Cunard briefed Mayor and Council on the issues with maintaining city easements. City Attorney Brian Causey had provided Ms. Cunard with a checklist on how to handle and maintain the easements. She stated that they get many calls on Majestic Oaks and other areas about cleaning the easements. Some problems discussed are fences people have put up over easements which the city must contend with. Mayor Chidester stated that at some point the city needs to get serious about the easements so they can be properly maintained. Burke Murph sent over an Easement Acquisition Policy that a city uses and is also referred to in their Ordinance. Ms. Cunard was tasked with searching other cities' procedures in communication with the City Attorney including how cities deal with fences on city easements. At such time field surveys will begin.

REAL ESTATE MATTER-CLOSED SESSION: At 1:14 PM, 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/acquisition of land.

**MOTION APPROVED**

Those voting in favor of the motion for closure: Council Members Michael Chumbley, James Richardson, Rusty Adams, Chris Hodges and Alan Dorsey. 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, Chris Hodges and Alan Dorsey. City Clerk Telina Allred, City Administrator Tiffany Sandefur, Public Works Director Tiffany Bibb, Stormwater Manager April Cunard.

OPEN SESSION: Motion was made by Chris Hodges, seconded by Michael Chumbley to return to open session at 2:15 PM. Unanimous.

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ADJOURNMENT: Michael Chumbley made a motion, seconded by James Richardson to adjourn the Council Meeting 2:15 PM. Unanimous.

Telina Allred  
Clerk of Council