

The Mayor and Council of the City of Colquitt met in regular session on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Complex, 154 West Street, Colquitt, GA 39837.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jerry Chapman, Mayor
KaCee Holt, Council
Algin Merritt, Council

STAFF PRESENT:

Cory Thomas, City Manager
Ronnie Rentz, City Attorney
Craig Tully, Fire Chief
Emanuel Haire, Public Works
Scott Worsley, Police Chief
Winston Trively, Golf Manager

OPENING PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PUBLIC HEARING

A letter from John B. Trawick was read by Cory Thomas, City Manager. The letter was to request that Mr. Trawick's zoning application be amended and granted as follows:

1. From the West property line of his property, which is the common property line between the property of James Grow and Mr. Trawick, running southeast along the Bellview Road for a distance of 414.60 feet, and a request to be granted a conditional use of the R-1 zoned property for the erection of solar panels. Solar panels will not be placed within 100 feet of the right of way of Bellview Road; and
2. That the remaining property that was requested to be rezoned AG by Mr. Trawick's amended application, remain R-1, provided that the property can be farmed. The R-1 zoned property will be used for crop production, planting grass or installing underground pipe. In the event grass is planted the topography of the land will be graded for drainage purposes.

On motion of Holt and second of Merritt, Council unanimously voted to grant conditional use.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

ACTION ITEMS

Minutes: On motion of Merritt and second of Holt, Council unanimously voted to approve the minutes of February 10, 2015.

Zoning Minutes: On motion of Holt and second of Merritt, Council unanimously voted to approve the zoning minutes of March 3, 2015.

Grant Writer/Administrator Selection-2015 CDBG-Housing : On motion of Merritt and second of Holt, Council unanimously voted to select Georgia Grant Specialists as the grant writer/administrator for the CDBG-Housing grant.

WIA Lease Agreement: On motion of Holt and second of Merritt, Council unanimously voted to approve WIA lease agreement with the County.

MGAG Resolution: On motion of Merritt and second of Holt, Council unanimously voted to approve the authorization for hedging natural gas through Municipal Gas Authority of Georgia (MGAG).

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CONSENT ITEMS

**Fire Department
Public Works Department
Police Department
Golf Club
Probation**

On motion of Merritt and second of Holt, Council unanimously voted to approve the Department Reports for the month of February 2015.

On motion of Holt and second of Merritt, Council unanimously voted to approve Public Works purchase request to purchase a brush loader from Ingram Equipment Company, LLC who had the lowest bid of \$143,265.88.

On motion of Merritt and second of Holt, Council unanimously voted to approve Police department purchase request to purchase two (2) stalker dual radars (plus accessories and installation) from Albany Communications. The total amount for this purchase is \$5400.

On motion of Holt and second of Merritt, Council unanimously voted to approve Golf department purchase request to purchase spring fertilizer for the golf course.

Independent Hearing Officer: On motion of Holt and second of Merritt, Council unanimously voted to approve obtaining an independent hearing officer to hear an appeal for a terminated employee.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT: Cory Thomas, City Manager, reported the following: (1) Insurance settlement; (2) Inert landfill;

On motion of Merritt and second of Holt, Council unanimously voted to accept insurance settlement for police vehicle.

The County was cited for having items other than limbs and leaves at the inert landfill. On motion of Merritt and second of Holt, Council unanimously voted to approve paying half of the fine since the City uses the inert landfill. The fine was \$500.

MAYOR/COUNCIL DISCUSSION: The Mayor and Council reported the following: (1) 911 Ordinance

ADJOURNMENT: On motion of Holt and second of Merritt, Council adjourned.

CITY CLERK

MAYOR