

The Council of the City of Thomasville met in regular session with Mayor Hobbs Presiding and the following Councilmembers present: Mayor Pro-Tem Don Sims, Councilmembers Beverly, Flowers and Scott. Also present were the Interim City Manager/Director of Human Resources and Community Relations, Kha McDonald; City Attorney, Tim Sanders; other staff; members of the press and citizens.

Mayor Hobbs called the meeting to order and noted the City Council meeting moved to the Municipal Auditorium to accommodate the large number of citizen attendees. Councilmember Flowers gave the invocation. Mayor Pro-Tem Sims led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

On Motion of Councilmember Scott, and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Sims, the minutes of the regular meeting held December 11, 2017 were unanimously approved as presented.

Mayor Hobbs opened the meeting to citizens to be heard on non-agenda items. There being no citizens to be heard, Council moved on to the agenda.

City Attorney Tim Sanders noted that it was time administer the Oaths of Office required by law to the Councilmember-Elects Greg Hobbs, David Hufstetler and Todd Mobley. Mayor Pro-Tem Sims and Councilmember Beverly stepped down. Councilmember Hobbs retained the District 1, Post 2 seat; Councilmember-Elect David Hufstetler assumed the District 2, Post 2 seat; and, Councilmember-Elect Todd Mobley assumed the At-Large Seat on the Council of the City of Thomasville. City Attorney Tim Sanders then administered the Oath of Office to Councilmembers Hobbs, Hufstetler, and Mobley. City Attorney Sanders also administered the Oath required by O.C.G.A. 45-3-1 to all five Councilmembers.

The City Attorney conducted by secret ballot an election for Mayor, and Councilmember Greg Hobbs was re-elected as Mayor. The City Attorney then conducted by secret ballot an election for Mayor Pro-Tem, and Councilmember Terry Scott was elected as Mayor Pro-Tem.

Under old business council considered on second reading ordinances to adjust Water Rates, Natural Gas Rates, Sewer Rates and Sanitation Services Rates. CFO Juarez reported the ordinances remained unchanged from the first reading. It was noted that the increase would result in an increase of approximately \$3.00 per month on residential bills. If approved the ordinances would be effective February 1, 2018.

Councilmember Flowers moved to approve the ordinances to adjust the rates as presented. The motion failed for lack of a second. Mayor Pro-Tem Scott moved to not to adjust the Water Rates, Natural Gas Rates, Sewer Rates and Sanitation Services Rates at this time. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mobley. Mayor Hobbs called for a vote and Council voted unanimously to not adjust the rates as presented at this time. There were no nay votes recorded.

Under new business, Council considered a resolution to update signatures on the MEAG Competitive Trust (MCT). Assistant Utilities Superintendent Chris White noted the signatures on the MEAG Competitive Trust are currently Steve Sykes and Michelle Juarez, as per a resolution adopted November 28, 2016. Due to the resignation of City Manager, Steve Sykes, it is a requirement to have the signatures updated. It was noted as discussed in Council Workshop by Interim City Manager Kha McDonald that the signatures should reflect those of Assistant Utilities Superintendent Chris White and Michelle Juarez be named as the Authorized Officials on the MEAG Competitive Trust.

Councilmember Flowers moved to approve the resolution updating the signatures on the MEAG Competitive Trust as presented. The motion failed for lack of a second. Councilmember Hufstetler moved that Council update the signatures on the MEAG Competitive Trust with the signatures of Mayor Hobbs

and CFO Michelle Juarez, together as the “Authorized Officials” on MEAG Competitive Trust documents. Following discussion regarding if this was permissible according to the By-Laws of the MEAG Competitive Trust, the motion was amended by Councilmember Hufstetler to include pending research of the By-Laws for accuracy of such action. The motion was seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Scott. Mayor Hobbs called for a vote and Council unanimously approved the motion to update the signatures on the MEAG Competitive Trust with the signatures of Mayor Greg Hobbs and CFO Michelle Juarez, pending research of the By-Laws for accuracy of such action. There were no nay votes recorded.

Council considered the approval of Application for Beer and Wine Consumption License at Hubs and Hops, LLC, 227 West Jackson Street, Thomasville, GA by Roger Hawkes and Joanne Maltese, owner/applicants. CFO Juarez reported the applicants had completed the application and background check for a License to Sell Beer and Wine at Hubs and Hops, located at 227 West Jackson Street. The background check did not reveal any problems or concerns. Mr. Hawkes addressed Council and described the name and operation of the business as presented.

On motion of Mayor Pro-Tem Scott, and seconded by Councilmember Flowers, the application for Beer and Wine Consumption License at Hubs and Hops, LLC, 227 West Jackson Street, Thomasville, GA by Roger Hawkes and Joanne Maltese, was unanimously approved by Council. Mayor Hobbs reminded the applicants of the importance of strict adherence to the Municipal Code of Thomasville, required employee training and informed them of the Thomasville Police Department’s “Mystery Shopper Program” so as to monitor the enforcement of the prohibition of sales of alcohol to underage persons. Mayor Hobbs gave Mr. Hawkes a copy of the current City ordinances concerning the *Sale of Alcoholic Beverages*.

Council considered the approval of Application for Beer and Wine Consumption License at Thomasville Pin Strikes, 1650 Colonial Drive, Thomasville, GA, by Hemant Delada, owner/applicant. CFO Juarez reported the applicant had completed the application and background check for a License to Sell Beer and Wine at Thomasville Pin Strikes, located at 1650 Colonial Drive. The background check did not reveal any problems or concerns. Mr. Delada addressed Council and described the name and operation of the business as presented.

On motion of Mayor Pro-Tem Scott, and seconded by Councilmember Flowers, the application for Beer and Wine Consumption License at Thomasville Pin Strikes, 1650 Colonial Drive, Thomasville, GA, by Hemant Delada, was unanimously approved by Council. Mayor Hobbs reminded the applicant of the importance of strict adherence to the Municipal Code of Thomasville, required employee training and informed them of the Thomasville Police Department’s “Mystery Shopper Program” so as to monitor the enforcement of the prohibition of sales of alcohol to underage persons. Mayor Hobbs gave Mr. Hawkes a copy of the current City ordinances concerning the *Sale of Alcoholic Beverages*.

Council considered the approval of the 2018 Alcoholic Beverage License renewals. CFO Juarez noted that each year, businesses with an alcohol and beverage license annually renew those licenses, including both consumption and package. It was noted the Tax Coordinator has collected the license fees for 2018 from the current list of alcohol and beverage license holders.

On motion of Councilmember Hufstetler, and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Scott, the following establishments who applied for Alcoholic Beverage License Renewals for 2018 and met the requirements for the City of Thomasville ordinances were approved:

On motion of Councilmember Beverly, and seconded by Councilmember Terry Scott, the following establishments who applied for Alcoholic Beverage License Renewals for 2018 and met the requirements for City of Thomasville ordinances were approved:

**2018 Alcoholic Beverage Sales License Renewal List**

**Package Beer and/or Wine Only**

Eeman, Inc/319 Express Foods-4099

1013 East Jackson Street

Package Beer \$400

Georgia CVS Pharmacy#4515- 3137&3138

14857 US Hwy 19 South

Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Dolgen Corporation

Dollar General Locations:

Store # 1904 – 1225 E. Jackson St- 4556&4557

Store # 7956 – 1113 W Jackson St.-4562&4563

Store # 8265 – 15187 US 19 South-4558&4559

Store # 12936 – 607 N. Madison St.-4560&4561

Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Lalji Enterprises, Inc. DBA

Easy In & Out-1677

2103 Smith Avenue

Package Beer \$400

Flash Foods

Flash Foods #280- 3033, 3034

2267 E. Pinetree Blvd.

Package Beer 400 and Wine 350

Flash Foods # 278- 3029, 3030

6358 Hwy 319 South

Package Beer 400 Wine \$350

Flash Foods #277- 3027, 3028

15329 US Hwy 19 South

Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Zigalota Inc.

Green Food Mart and Beauty Supply- 4355, 4356

105 Green Street

Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Harvey's Supermarket #1620- 2873, 2874

1404 E. Jackson Street

Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Harvey's Supermarket #1619-2871, 2872

306 Smith Avenue

Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Shivaji Maharaj

Jackson Pantry-4081, 4082

636 W. Jackson Street  
Package Beer \$400

Krishna's Corner-2469  
1060 W. Jackson Street  
Package Beer \$400

Jay Madi , Inc DBA  
L & G Foodmart #1- 2349  
501 N. Madison Street  
Package Beer \$400  
L & G Food Mart #3 - 2747  
107 Old Albany Rd  
Package Beer \$400  
L&G Foodmart #5- 3013  
419 N. Madison Street  
Package Beer \$400  
Carroll Hill Food Mart- 3661  
617 N. Boulevard  
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Yogi Keshav Inc.  
Granny's Country Store- 4823, 4824  
316 Smith Avenue  
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Lotto Corner- 4091  
402 Magnolia Street  
Package Beer \$400

Jaumen Corporation/Pace Market- 4169, 4170  
504 W. Jackson Street  
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Publix Supermarkets Inc.- 1111, 1112  
Publix Supermarket #1498  
13775 US 19 S  
Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Quick Buys #103- 1788, 4011  
1818 County Line Road  
Package Beer \$400

Suhani Enterprises  
Petro Quik Stop-2655  
1335 West Jackson Street  
Package Beer \$400

Raceway #6868- 4535

13883 Hwy 19 South

Package Beer \$400

Rite Aid #1629- 1154, 2645

301 S. Broad St.

Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Shop N Go-4307, 4308

408 S. Broad Street

Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Southside Grocery & Market-1306

1201 Magnolia Street

Package Beer \$400

Susie Q's #10- 3936

2112 Smith Avenue

Package Beer \$400

Susie Q's #20- 3938

1334 W. Jackson Street

Package Beer \$400

Wal-Mart Supercenter #889-1513, 1514

15328 US Hwy 19 South

Package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Wright Street Mini Market -1565

528 Wright Street

Package Beer \$400

**Consumption Beer and/or Wine**

Ochtel, LLC

The Billiard Academy-3700

121 S. Broad Street

Consumption Beer \$400

George and Louie's Restaurant-2554, 2698

217 Remington Avenue

Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Camp Hospitality

Hampton Inn-3383, 3384

1950 GA Hwy 122

Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$300

Henderson's- 1823, 1824

415 Smith Avenue

Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

J&A Business Associates, LLC  
Moonspin- 4825, 4826  
113 N Crawford  
Consumption and package Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

S&P Pizza, LLC  
Paulie's Brick Oven Pizza- 3927, 3928  
134 S. Madison St.  
Consumption Beer \$400

Receptions For You-4795, 4796,  
200 W. Jackson St  
Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

BTH & Lumpkin, LLC-4646, 4647  
Relish- Camerson Jahnke  
107-A S Broad St  
Consumption Beer \$400. Consumption & Package Wine \$450.00

Savannah Moon Bakery and Café-3868  
109 N. Broad Street 227-0081  
Consumption Wine \$350

Sweet and Savory Sisters (SASS)-4642, 4643  
420 W.Jackson Street  
Consumption beer \$400 & wine \$350

The Farmers Daughter Vineyards Tasting Room- 4738, 4739  
106 N Broad St.  
Consumption Beer \$400, Package and Consumption Wine \$350

Bloch Paino & Music Center LLC-4844, 4845  
200 W Jackon St.  
Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

Element Style Bar- 4853, 4854  
224 W Jackson St.  
Consumption Beer \$400 & Wine \$350

**Consumption Beer, Wine & Liquor Pouring**

Neighborhood Restaurant Partners Two LLC DBA  
Applebee's Neighborhood Grill and Bar-2720,2721,2722  
13765 HWY 19 South  
1455 Lincoln Parkway Atlanta 30346  
Consumption Beer\$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Hagel Restaurant Group  
Chop House on the Bricks-4441, 4442, 4443  
123 N. Broad Street

Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Rancho Grande Mexican Grill-4537, 4538, 4539

14010 Us Hwy 19 South

Consumption Beer, \$400 Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

LaFogata of Thomasville, Inc.- 2849, 2850, 2851

4418 US Hwy 19 South

Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Liam's Restaurant- 3504, 3505, 4256

113 E. Jackson St.

Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Mom & Dad's Italian Restaurant, Inc.- 899, 900, 1918

1800 Smith Avenue

Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$450 (plus package wine) & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Michael Angelo Restaurant, Inc.

The Plaza Restaurant & Lounge- 3389, 3390, 3391

217 S. Broad Street

Consumption Beer, \$450 Wine \$300 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

RARE Hospitality International, Inc.

Longhorn Steakhouse #5365-3872, 3873, 3874

21 Constitution Avenue

Consumption Beer, \$400 Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Rendezvous Bar and Grill- 4502, 4503, 4564

222 Gordon Avenue

Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Ruby Tuesday- 1894, 1895, 1896

15047 US Hwy 19 South

Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Santobe's Sports Bar and Grill- 4429, 4430, 4532

15138 US 19 S

Consumption beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Sweet Grass Dairy Cheese Shop-4418, 4418, 4420

123 S. Broad Street

Package and Consumption Beer \$500, Wine \$450 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Jerry's- 3089, 3090, 4769

1102 E. Jackson Street 8A&B

Consumption and Package Beer \$500, Consumption Wine \$350 & liquor pouring \$2000

Looney Birds, LLC-4862, 4863, 4864

Loco's Bar & Grill

256 Liberty St

Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring \$2000

Beef 'O' Brady's Family Sports Pub- 2986, 2987, 4696

1508 E. Jackson Street

Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & liquor pouring \$2000

SOHO DBA SOHO Broadstreet LLC- 4748, 4749, 4750

112 N Broad Street

Consumption Beer \$400, wine \$300 & Liquor pouring \$2000

**Consumption Beer, Wine & Liquor Pouring –Private Club only**

James Hicks American Legion Post 519- 52, 53

312 Hopkins Street

Consumption Beer \$400 & Liquor Pouring (PC) \$2000

Glen Arven Country Club- 524, 525, 526

1700 Old Monticello Road

Consumption Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor Pouring (PC) \$2000

**Package Beer, Wine, and Liquor**

Jay Madi Mgt. Inc.

Carroll Hill Package Store- 4309, 4310, 4311

621 1/2 North Blvd.

Package Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000

Lalji Patel-Aanvi Beverage Inc DBA

J's Wine & Spirits- 4296, 4297, 4298

1414 E. Jackson Street

Package Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000

Purva, LLC . DBA

Outlet Liquor- 4279, 4280, 4281

741 W. Jackson Street

Package Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000

Vaishanavi LLC. DBA

Rose City Liquors, LLC- 3988, 3989, 3990

15189 US 19 South

Package Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000

Southern Magnolia Bottle LLC DBA

Bird Dog Bottle Company- 4445, 4446, 4447

1918 Smith Avenue

Package Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000

Whiskey Barrell Land Group, Inc. DBA

Three Oaks Package Wine and Spirits- 4542, 4543, 4544

2551 E. Pinetree Blvd.

Package Beer \$400, Wine \$350 & Liquor \$4000



Council considered bids and award for the 2018 Mowing contracts for Cemetery Mowing as presented by Public Works Director Mike Atkinson. It was noted that \$127,500.00 was placed in the 2018 Budget for Cemetery mowing contracted services. Public Works director noted the contract bids includes mowing and maintenance at Magnolia, Peaceful Rest, Laurel Hill, Flipper and the Old Cemetery. It was noted contracts such as this are reviewed annually for sustainability and provision of services.

**CITY OF THOMASVILLE BID TABULATION  
Cemetery Mowing Contracts**

	<u>Allen Turf Landscaping Thomasville, GA</u>	<u>Angry Lawn Care Thomasville, GA</u>	<u>Angry Lawn Care Thomasville, GA</u>	<u>Best of the Best Cairo, GA</u>
8 Month Contract	\$128,000.00	\$122,272.00	\$106,680.00	\$138,550.00
12 Month Contract	\$140,000.00	\$183,408.00	\$160,020.00	\$203750.00
11 Month Contract	\$128,333.33	\$168,124.00	\$146,685.00	\$186,770.83

On motion of Councilmember Mobley, and seconded by Councilmember Flowers, Council unanimously approved the award for the 2018 Cemetery mowing Contract to Allen Turf Landscaping in the amount of \$128,333.33 for an 11-month contract for February through December 2018.

Council considered bids and award for the purchase of Tuxedo Drive Culvert Replacement Project (Re-Bid) as presented by Assistant City Engineer Wayne Newsome. The project consists of the replacement of severely corroded corrugated metal culverts under the roadway resurfacing on Tuxedo Drive, between Parkway Drive and Nottingham Drive. The loss of material through the corroded culverts has resulted in a cavity beneath. This section of the roadway has been closed to vehicular traffic since October 9, 2017. A replacement project was bid on November 4, 2017, bids received were outside of the project budget. The scope of the project was revised and the project was re-bid. The project will be funded from the 2012 SPLOST allocated for storm water improvements.

**CITY OF THOMASVILLE BID TABULATION  
For The Purchase of Tuxedo Drive Culvert Replacement Project  
(Re-Bid)**

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Standard Contractors, Valdosta, GA	\$ 148,671.00
Green's Backhoe, Thomasville, GA	\$ 169,248.50
Capital Asphalt, Inc., Tallahassee, FL	\$ 199,502.75
Jim Boyd Construction, Albany, GA	\$ 140,908.00

On motion of Councilmember Mobley, and seconded by Councilmember Hufstetler, Council unanimously awarded the purchase of Tuxedo Drive Culvert Replacement Project (Re-Bid) Jim Boyd Construction of Albany, Georgia, in the amount of \$140,908.00 as per staff recommendations.

Council considered bids and award for the purchase of Storm Drain Repair, Hansell at Washington Streets as presented by Assistant Utilities Superintendent White. In early December, a storm drain collapsed at the intersection of Hansell and East Washington Streets. The Engineering Department solicited bids from various contractors to make the appropriate repairs. Four bids were received. The project was anticipated to have substantial impact on traffic flow with the closure of East Washington Street to complete the work. This, coupled with the proximity to city schools, compelled staff to issue a Notice to Proceed (NTP) under emergency conditions. The NTP was issued to Defnall Construction as the low bidder with a scheduled start date the first week in January while schools were out on Winter Break to minimize the impact to vehicular traffic and the exposure to student pedestrian traffic. Assistant Utilities Superintendent White reported the project has been completed and requested Council to ratify the award of bid to Defnall Construction. It was noted that the project will be funded by the 2012 SPLOST allocated for storm water improvements. The following is a summary of the bids received:

**CITY OF THOMASVILLE BID TABULATION**

For The Purchase of Storm Drain Repair  
Hansell at Washington Streets

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Defnall Construction, Thomasville, GA	\$21,568.00
CMI, Cairo, GA	\$22,003.80
Greens Backhoe, Inc., Thomasville, GA	\$25,266.51
Scoggins Dozer, Thomasville GA	\$25,281.50

On motion of Councilmember David Hufstetler, and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Scott, Council unanimously approved the ratification of the award of bid for the purchase of Storm Drain Repair on Hansell at Washington Streets under emergency conditions to Defnall Construction of Thomasville, Georgia in the amount of \$21,568.00 as per staff recommendations.

Council considered the appointment of Assistant Utilities Superintendent Chris White to the South Georgia Government Services Authority Board as presented by Interim City Manager McDonald. The South Georgia Governmental Services Authority (SGGSA) is a Georgia legislative Authority enacted in March 2001. The SGGSA provides various (primarily telecommunications) services to its member cities and to other communities in Southwest Georgia. The members of the SGGSA Board of Directors is comprised of two individuals appointed by the governing bodies of the City of Camilla, City of Cairo, City of Moultrie, and City of Thomasville (SGGSA members). These appointments have been one elected official and one staff member from each member city. Previously Thomasville’s appointees were Mayor Greg Hobbs and former City Manager Steve Sykes. Interim City Manager McDonald recommended appointing Assistant Utilities Superintendent White to the SGGSA Board.

Councilmember Flowers moved to appoint Assistant Utilities Superintendent Chris White to the SGGSA Board as presented. The motion failed for lack of a second. Councilmember Hufstetler moved to table this item for further discussion. Councilmember Mobley seconded the motion. Following discussion of By-Law clarification of the Board composition and timeliness of a decision, Mayor Hobbs called for a vote. Council unanimously approved the motion to table this item for further discussion.

Council considered approval of Transfer of Cemetery Spaces at Laurel Hill Cemetery as presented by City Clerk Felicia Brannen. Pursuant to Thomasville Municipal Code, Chapter 6 – Cemeteries, transfer

of spaces must be approved by Council. The owner, Mrs. David L. Collins, submitted an affidavit on December 6, 2017 to the Cemetery Administrator requesting the transfer of cemetery spaces.

On motion of Mayor Pro-Tem Scott, and seconded by Councilmember Hufstetler, Council unanimously approved the Transfer of Cemetery Spaces for the remaining two spaces of Lot 25, Section JJ, Maryland Street, Laurel Hill Cemetery from Mrs. David L. Collins to Maranda Michelle Long and Marcus Lee Long.

Mayor Hobbs and Mayor Pro-Tem Scott welcomed newly elected Councilmembers Hufstetler and Mobley and thanked citizens for their support. Mayor Hobbs acknowledged the community's concern regarding the process of hiring a new City Manager and noted the process will begin in the very near future.

Having no further business to discuss, the City Council meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

  
Greg Hobbs, Mayor

  
Felicia Brannen, City Clerk