

**CITY OF DASHER
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 2, 2012**

Councilmembers Present:

G. R. Holton
Julian Copeland
Edwin Smith
Donald Bryan
Anita Armstrong

This meeting was called to order by Mayor Holton at 6:00 p.m. Councilman Copeland gave the Invocation and the Pledge followed. Councilman Smith made a motion to approve the minutes, Councilman Copeland seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. There were 2 guests or citizens who attended this meeting.

Mr. Al Turner reported he has prepared an ordinance for Enforcement of County Board of Health Rules and Regulations. The Mayor read and discussed this ordinance and the final reading will be held on May 7th. The Clerk will post the advertisement with the Valdosta Daily Times. Mr. Turner prepared documentation for the Hamm property to sign and for the drainage project to begin.

Mr. Aaron Strickland, Executive Director for Keep Valdosta/Lowndes County Beautiful, an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, gave direction for us to participate in this project. Councilman Armstrong will coordinate the event for April 21. Councilman Smith will call Veolia for containers and Mayor Holton stated he would handle the mail-out. There was discussion of a community-wide yard sale.

Mayor Holton received an email from Charlie Clark stating that advertising will begin on April 6th for the bidding process of the drainage project. Open bids will commence on Thursday morning, May 3, at 10:30 a.m. Mr. Clark also stated in his email that he will complete the permitting submittals to EPD for erosion control/NPDES permit coverage and discuss with the US Army Corps of Engineers to get clearance for the little bit of ditch work that is in the wetland area. Mayor then stated he would like to reinstate the mosquito spraying. Councilman Smith and Councilman Copeland stated they were not in favor due to the fact they feel it is an ineffective service. Councilman Copeland stated the pellets one can get from Lowndes County is far more effective. Councilman Armstrong stated she was in favor of the spraying stating some relief is better than nothing. Councilman Smith stated he would call Harry Flythe to get pricing as well as other suggestions. Mayor Holton then discussed he will be in attendance next Monday with the other city mayors to discuss the LOST negotiations. Mayor Holton stated he would insist of the payment being based on population for LOST negotiations. This round of LOST would last for 10 years. Council gave their approval for the mayor to negotiate by population. Mayor Holton then gave the council a proposed budget for the upcoming year and stated we will have to amend the FY12 budget. Councilman Copeland asked for tree and road maintenance to be added for Carroll Ulmer.

Council Concerns – Councilman Copeland presented pricing from Moultrie Manufacturing and Lowe’s for railing for the gazebo to meet safety standards. Mr. Black will handle the electrical work. The Council gave Mr. Copeland the go ahead to have Mr. Zipperer order the railing from Moultrie Manufacturing. Councilman Copeland then stated he is in the process of working with the state regarding Hwy 41 for historical significance. Councilman Bryan asked if we could have the playground equipment cleaned. Councilman Copeland will ask Mr. Zipperer to pressure wash the equipment. Councilman Smith stated he will have Peak Pavement get us signs printed for no semi trucks to use Johnston Road for any reason except local delivery only. This will deter them from using this road as a “thru traffic” road. Councilman Armstrong reported the floors at the Community Center are in the process of being refinished.

Citizen Concerns – There was nothing to report.

There being no further discussion, Councilman Smith made motion to adjourn, Councilman Copeland seconded the motion and it carried unanimously. This meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Submitted By:

Approved By:

Tonia S. Studstill, City Clerk

G. R. Holton, Mayor