

November 18, 2019

City of Bremen Council Meeting

Public Safety Complex 191 N Georgia Ave. Bremen, GA 30110

City Officials in Attendance: Mayor Sewell and Council Members: Dobby Harris, Salli Thomason, Jai Otwell

City Officials Absent: Council Member Lin Clayton

Administration in Attendance: City Manager Perry Hicks, Operations Manager Mike Thompson, Chief Keith Pesnell, Recreation Director Matt Cody, Codes Enforcement Todd Files, City Attorney Sam Price, IT Director Roy Andrews, City Clerk Amy Ridley

**6:00 P.M.
Work Session
Mayor & City Council
Informal Discussions Session**

Mayor Sewell called the work session to order at 6:00 pm and the below listed items were the topics of discussion. This session is a period of informal comments and questioning among the Mayor and Council Members as well as the Department Heads and the City Attorney. There are no actions taken during the work session.

*Department Head Updates
Bremen City High School Parking Lot
Annexation Request at 861 Alabama Avenue
Alcoholic Beverage Licensing Code Amendment
December & January Council Meeting Changes*

Mayor Sewell adjourned the work session at 6:55 pm.

**7:00 PM
City Council Meeting
Mayor & Council Members
Regular Scheduled Council Session**

Meeting Agenda

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation
3. Review and Modification of the Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes: (a.) October 21, 2019 Regular Council Meeting
(b.) November 11, 2019 Called Workshop
5. Police Chief Citizen Recognition
6. Florida Avenue & Laurel Street Parking Lot / Quit Claim to Bremen City Schools
7. Annexation Request by Stephen Sapp for 861 A Alabama Avenue / C-2 Zoning
8. Public Hearing for Code Amendment / Alcoholic Beverage Licensing
9. Open to the Public
10. Adjourn

Call to Order

Mayor Sewell called the regular scheduled council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance and invocation.

Review & Modification of the Agenda

There were no modifications to the agenda.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on October 21, 2019.

A motion was made by Council Member Otwell, seconded by Council Member Harris to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on October 21, 2019. The motion carried.

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the called workshop that was held on November 11, 2019.

A motion was made by Council Member Otwell, seconded by Council Member Harris to approve the minutes of the called workshop held on November 11, 2019. The motion carried.

Police Chief / Citizen Recognition

Police Chief Keith Pesnell recognized Jon Morosely, Jared Ezzell and Amber Cross for helping in three different incidents in the city. They each went above and beyond what a most people would do in order to help someone in need. Chief Pesnell thanked each of them individually for their heroism.

Florida Avenue & Laurel Street Parking Lot – Quit Claim

City Manager, Perry Hicks stated that the Bremen Schools would like the city to quit claim to them, the high school parking lot located at the corner of Florida Avenue and Laurel Street.

A motion was made by Council Member Otwell to quit claim the parking lot at Florida Avenue and Laurel Street, to the Bremen City Schools. Council Member Thomason seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Annexation Request for 861 A Alabama Avenue

Mayor Sewell opened the floor for a public hearing and asked if anyone is in favor or in opposition of the annexation request for 861 A Alabama Avenue.

Stephen Sapp was present and stated that he is the owner of this property and the property right beside this one and he stated that the other piece is inside the city so he would like for this to be in the city as well.

There was no one to speak in opposition of the annexation request.

Council Member Harris made a motion that was seconded by Council Member Thomason to annex the property located at 861 A Alabama Avenue. The motion carried.

Mayor Sewell asked if anyone is here to speak in favor or in opposition of the requested C-2 zoning of the property at 861 A Alabama Avenue and there was no one to speak against the zoning requested.

Council Member Harris made a motion to zone 861 A Alabama Avenue at C-2 zoning. The motion was seconded by Council Member Thomason and the motion carried.

Public Hearing for Code Amendment / Alcoholic Beverage Licensing

City Attorney, Sam Price stated that this is a first reading of the Alcoholic Beverage Licensing code amendment. He stated that this amendment gives the city manager the authority to suspend a license for violations of the city's alcohol ordinance.

There is no action to be taken on this at this time.

Open to the Public

There was no business from the floor to come before the mayor and council.

Mayor Sewell announced that we are cancelling the December city council meeting and we are moving the January city council meeting to the 2nd Monday of January rather than the 3rd Monday.

Meeting Adjourn

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Council Member Harris made a motion to adjourn and the meeting and the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 pm.