

**MINUTES
CITY OF BREMEN, GEORGIA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
April 16, 2012**

Meeting Location: Public Safety Complex, 516 Tallapoosa Street

Officials Present: Mayor Sharon Sewell
W.O. (Sonny) Parrish
Council Member Jane Wilson
Council Member Kyle Shepherd

**6:00 P.M.
Work Session
Mayor & Council Members
Department Heads**

City Council Informal Session

Informal discussion among Mayor Sewell, City Council Members, Department Heads and City Attorney. No action taken during work session. The discussed items are listed below.

- § Agenda Items
- § Synthetic Marijuana / Drug Ordinance
- § Proclamation to add to the Agenda
- § Department Head Updates

Mayor Sewell adjourned the work session at 6:50 p.m. to begin the regular council meeting.

**7:00 P.M.
City Council Meeting
Mayor & Council Members**

Regularly Scheduled Monthly Session

- Agenda:*
1. *Call to Order*
 2. *Pledge of Allegiance*
 3. *Invocation*
 4. *Review and Modification of the Agenda*
 5. *Approval of Minutes from the March 19, 2012 Regular Meeting*
 6. *Recognition of Girls State Basketball Championship*
 7. *Northwest Georgia Regional Commission Appointment*
 8. *Open to the Public*
 9. *Adjourn*

Call to Order

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

Agenda Changes

Mayor Sewell stated that we will be adding item #6a to the agenda for approval of a Summer Slide Up Proclamation.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2012 regular council meeting.

Motion by Council Member Wilson seconded by Council Member Parrish to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 19, 2012. Motion carried.

Recognition of Girls State Basketball Championship

Mayor Sewell recognized the 9 & 10 Mite basketball team for winning the state championship. She presented each of the girls and coaches with a certificate.

Proclamation – 2012 Summer Slide Up Reading Initiative

Mayor Sewell stated that often times, children get behind on reading during the summer months when school is out. She read a proclamation for a summer reading program.

A motion was made by Council Member Wilson seconded by Council Member Shepherd to accept the proclamation as read by Mayor Sewell. Motion carried unanimously.

Northwest Georgia Regional Commission Appointment

Mayor Sewell stated that she and Council Member Parrish have both served on the Northwest Georgia Regional Commission. She said that Council Member Wilson has agreed to serve a term and she asked for a motion to appoint Council Member Wilson to the Northwest Georgia Regional Commission.

Motion by Council Member Parrish seconded by Council Member Shepherd to appoint Jane Wilson to the Northwest Georgia Regional Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Open to the Public

Mayor Sewell opened the floor to the public and asked if anyone had any business to be brought before the Mayor and Council.

Lance Dyer addressed the Mayor and Council and commended the police and fire departments for the way they handled themselves at his home recently. He stated that the circumstances were very bad and the guys were very professional and caring. He also stated that Officer Dobbs was the first one on the scene and that he deserves some type of recognition for the way he handled himself and the situation.

Mr. Dyer stated that they have set up a foundation in honor of his son, who recently passed, called Dakota Dyer Foundation. He stated that this will go toward a scholarship each year to a Bremen High School Student that will be chosen very carefully. He asked the Mayor and Council to take his loss into consideration when they decide to adopt an ordinance on drug paraphernalia and the synthetic marijuana. He stated that with the banned sale of paraphernalia items in our local stores, it will protect our young ones.

Mayor Sewell thanked Mr. Dyer for his words and stated that this council want to do and will do whatever they can to protect our children but she also wanted to push programs that will teach our young ones the dangers of making bad choices.

There was no other business to be brought before the Mayor and Council.

Adjourn

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to adjourn the regular council meeting at 7:27 p.m.

Motion by Council Member Parrish to adjourn the regular council meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.