

# City of Bremen Council Meeting

February 19, 2018

Public Safety Complex  
191 N Georgia Avenue  
Bremen, Georgia 30110

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

**Administration in Attendance:** City Manager Perry Hicks, Operations Manager Mike Thompson, City Clerk Amy Ridley, Librarian Lisa Walton-Cagle, Codes Officer Steve Muse, City Attorney Sam Price, Fire Chief Jay Hurley, Police Chief Keith Pesnell

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

The Work Session is an informal discussion among Mayor Sewell, City Council Members, City Manager, Department Heads and the City Attorney. There is no action taken during the work session.

Mayor Sewell called the workshop to order at 6:00 pm and the following items were the topics of discussion.

*Department Head Updates*

*Agenda Items*

*City Ordinance Recodification*

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

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**7:00 PM**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**Mayor & Council Members**  
**Re-Scheduled Regular Council 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 January 8, 2018 Regular Meeting*
6. *Personnel Handbook - Holiday Policy Amendment*
7. *Library Board Appointments*
8. *West Georgia Regional Library - Shared Services Fee Request*
9. *Proposed Haralson County Mutual Aid Agreement for Fire & EMS*
10. *Housing Authority Appointments*
11. *Open to the Public*
12. *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.

### **Review & Modification of the Agenda**

Mayor Sewell stated that we are adding item #10a to the agenda to authorize Perry Hicks to sign a contract with Municode for recodification of the Municipal Code.

### **Approval of Minutes**

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular council meeting held on January 8, 2018.

A motion was made by Council Member Otwell, seconded by Council Member Thomason to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2018 regular council meeting. Council Member Harris abstained from the approval due to being absent. The motion carried.

### **Personnel Handbook - Holiday Policy Amendment**

Mayor Sewell stated that this amendment will proportionate holiday leave for all employees and she asked for a motion to approve the holiday policy amendment for police and fire as presented by City Manager Perry Hicks.

A motion was made by Council Member Harris, seconded by Council Member Otwell to approve the holiday policy amendment for police and fire as presented by City Manager Perry Hicks. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Library Board Appointments**

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to appoint Jane Wilson to the Library Board to fill the unexpired seat of Dee Dorch with term ending June 30, 2019.

Council Member Thomason made a motion, seconded by Council Member Clayton to appoint Jane Wilson to the Library Board with term ending June 30, 2019. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to appoint Suzanne Whitworth to the Library Board to fill the unexpired term of Alice Jane Wasdin with term ending June 30, 2020.

A motion was made by Council Member Thomason, seconded by Council Member Harris to appoint Suzanne Whitworth to the Library Board with term ending June 30, 2020. The motion carried unanimously.

### **West Georgia Regional Library - Shared Services Fee Request**

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to approve the expenditure of \$348 for the shared services with the West Georgia Regional Library.

A motion was made by Council Member Otwell, seconded by Council Member Harris to approve the expenditure of \$348 for the shared services with the West Georgia Regional Library. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Haralson County Mutual Aid Agreement**

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to accept the mutual aid agreement as amended by City Attorney Sam Price.

A motion was made by Council Member Thomason, seconded by Council Member Otwell to accept the Haralson County Mutual Aid Agreement as amended by City Attorney Sam Price. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Housing Authority Appointments**

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to appoint Sheldon Parham to the Housing Authority to fill the unexpired term of Kel Grier ending on February 2, 2021.

Council Member Thomason made a motion, seconded by Council Member Clayton to appoint Sheldon Parham to the Housing Authority to fill the unexpired term of Kel Grier ending February 2, 2021. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to re-appoint Victor Smith to the Housing Authority for a five-year term ending February 2, 2023.

A motion was made by Council Member Harris, seconded by Council Member Otwell to re-appoint Victor Smith to the Housing Authority for a five-year term ending February 2, 2023. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Recodification of Municipal Code**

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to appoint City Manager Perry Hicks and City Attorney Sam Price to oversee the recodification of the municipal code and to use the funds necessary to do the recodification.

Council Member Thomason made a motion, seconded by Council Member Clayton to appoint City Manager Perry Hicks and City Attorney Sam Price to oversee the recodification of the municipal code and to use the funds necessary to do the recodification. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Open to the Public**

Mayor Sewell opened the floor to the public and there was no business from the floor to come before the mayor and council.

### **Adjourn**

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Council Member Otwell made a motion to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:20 p.m. and the meeting adjourned.