

**MINUTES
CITY OF BREMEN, GEORGIA
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
December 19, 2011**

Meeting Location: Public Safety Complex, 516 Tallapoosa Street

Officials Present: Mayor Sharon Sewell
W.O. (Sonny) Parrish
Council Member Jane Wilson
Council Member Bill Hightower
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
- § Recreation Commission Appointments
- § 2012/2013 Budgets and Work Plans
- § Department Head Updates

Mayor Sewell adjourned the work session at 6:55 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 November 21, 2011 Regular Meeting*
 6. *Excess Funds Bank Account*
 7. *Recreation 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 there would be no agenda changes for tonight's meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Mayor Sewell stated that there is a typo in the November minutes that has already been pointed out and will be corrected. She asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on November 21, 2011 with the correction being made.

Motion by Council Member Parrish seconded by Council Member Wilson to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 21, 2011 with the correction being made. Motion carried.

Bank Account / Excess Funds

Mayor Sewell stated that the bank account for excess funds regards money received from tax sales.

Perry Hicks explained that we need a non-interest bearing bank account to hold excess funds from the sale of tax liens. These funds can be released to the owner once they come in and claim them. We need approval to open the bank account and also to use the authorized signatures already on file at the financial institutes.

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to authorize city personnel to proceed with opening a bank account for the purpose of holding excess funds.

Motion by Council Member Shepherd seconded by Council Member Hightower to authorize city personnel to open a bank account for the purpose of holding excess funds. Motion carried.

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to authorize the signatures to be the same as they are currently on file with the financial institutes which include the City Manager, City Clerk, Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem.

Motion by Council Member Wilson seconded by Council Member Parrish to authorize the signatures to be the same as currently on file with the financial institutes which include the City Manager, City Clerk, Mayor and Mayor Pro-Tem. Motion carried unanimously.

Recreation Commission Appointment

Mayor Sewell stated that Chris Dobbs has been recommended for the Recreation Commission and has agreed to the appointment. She asked for a motion to appoint Chris Dobbs to the Recreation Commission.

Motion by Council Member Hightower seconded by Council Member Shepherd to appoint Chris Dobbs to the Recreation Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

Open to the Public

Mayor Sewell stated that the regular scheduled council meeting for January 2012 falls on the Martin Luther King Holiday so the meeting will be held on January 23, 2012 which is the 3rd Monday of the month.

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

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

Adjourn

Mayor Sewell asked for a motion to adjourn the regular council meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Motion by Council Member Wilson to adjourn the regular council meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.