

**CITY OF SUGAR HILL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2011
7:30 PM CITY HALL ANNEX
4988 WEST BROAD STREET
SUGAR HILL, GEORGIA**

CALL TO ORDER – by Mayor Pirkle at 7:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Gary Pirkle, Mayor Pro Tem Marc Cohen, Council Members Steve Edwards, Susie Gajewski, Curtis Northrup and Mike Sullivan. Also present were City Manager Bob Hail, City Clerk Jane Whittington and City Attorney Frank Hartley.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG – Boy Scout Maddox led the pledge.
INVOCATION – given by Scott Dorsey of the Sugar Hill Church men’s ministry.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Council Member Sullivan motioned to approve the agenda as submitted. Council Member Gajewski seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – September 12, 2011 – Council Member Cohen motioned to approve the minutes as written. Council Member Sullivan seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT
COUNCIL REPORTS
MAYOR’S REPORT
CITY CLERK’S REPORT
CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

CITIZENS AND GUESTS COMMENTS

Resident on Oak Grove Dr. requested that the City lift the ban on burning to coincide with the County schedule. If necessary have requirements such as a water hose must be present. Mayor Pirkle stated that the City would look at this issue. Council Member Sullivan requested that Planning Director Awana look at the current county requirements.

CONSENT AGENDA

Drainage Easement Encroachment, 5267 Blossom Brook Dr.
Drainage Easement Encroachment, 1340 Primrose Park Rd.
Drainage Easement Encroachment, 6887 Barker Station Walk

Mayor Pirkle explained the items on the Consent Agenda. They were discussed at the Work Session and the drainage easements were placed on Consent for one vote from Council. Council Member Sullivan motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Council Member Gajewski seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING, VAR-11-003, 110 Peachtree Industrial Blvd., Remove condition from VAR-05-001 requiring vertical curbing installed around gravel parking lot – P&D Director Awana explained the application. The property is located between Peachtree industrial Blvd and Brogdon Rd. Five years ago this property came before the Council (VAR-05-001) requesting a variance on the parking lot. They were approved but were to maintain a gravel surface. Today the applicant is requesting a variance on the curbing. They want to install a gravel burm around the parking lot. A site inspection by the Planning Department revealed that the gravel needed to be refurbished on the site. The Public Hearing was opened and the land surveyor spoke for the applicant. He stated that the site works as it is supposed to. The water flows off the gravel into the retention area. The concrete curb would be destroyed by the heavy equipment. The City Manager stated that periodic inspections of the site should be required ensuring that the gravel and burm is in place. Council Member Sullivan asked when the gravel would be refurbished. The surveyor was not sure. The Planning Director stated that before they get their CO they have to meet all conditions. Council Member Sullivan motioned to approve VAR-11-003 with staff recommendations. Council Member Cohen seconded the motion. Approved 4-1 with Council Member Northrup voting nay.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: TO DISCUSS LEGAL, REAL ESTATE AND/OR PERSONNEL – There were no Executive Session held.

PUBLIC ACTION TAKEN OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT: Council Member Cohen motioned to adjourn at 8:02 p.m. Council Member Sullivan seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

Gary Pirkle, Mayor

Jane Whittington, City Clerk