

**CITY OF SUGAR HILL  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2014, 7:30 P.M.  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
5039 WEST BROAD STREET  
SUGAR HILL, GEORGIA**

**CALL TO ORDER** – by Mayor Edwards at 7:30 p.m. Present were Mayor Steve Edwards, Mayor Pro Tem Cohen, Council Members Susie Gajewski, Brandon Hembree, Curtis Northrup and Mike Sullivan. Also present were City Manager Paul Radford, Assistant City Manager Troy Besseche, City Clerk Jane Whittington and City Attorney Frank Hartley.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG** – led by Boy Scout Troop 608

**INVOCATION** – given by Mayor Edwards

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – Council Member Sullivan motioned to approve the Agenda as submitted. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen seconded the motion. Approved 4-0. Council Member Gajewski not present at this portion of the meeting.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – Council Meeting September 8, 2014, Work Session September 2, 2014, Council Member Hembree motioned to approve the Minutes as written. Council Member Sullivan seconded the motion. Approved 4-0.

**REPORTS**

**CITY ATTORNEY**

**MAYOR**

**COUNCIL** – Council Member Gajewski entered meeting.

**CITY CLERK**

**CITY MANAGER**

**CITIZENS AND GUESTS COMMENTS** – there were no comments from citizens or guests.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**Broad Street Band Agreement**

**Plaza Security Contract Renewal**

The City Manager explained the two items on the Consent Agenda. The Broad Street Band Agreement allows for space for the band to practice in trade for free concerts at the city venues. The band is led by a group from Sugar Hill. The Plaza Security Contract renewal encompasses a slight increase in rates. Council Member Sullivan motioned to approve the Consent Agenda. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resolution Creating Arts Commission – Oath of Office** – Mayor Pro Tem Cohen explained that he has been working with Downtown Manager Scott Andrews to develop an Arts Commission. They will help manage and promote arts in Sugar Hill. They will be an advisory group to Mayor and Council as

they try to bring all types of art into the City. The resolution was drafted to offer staggered terms for the initial board members. The posts are as follows: Post 1 Susan Bacon, Post 2 Victoria Kesler, Post 3 Wendy Green, Post 4 Joyce Cutchins, Post 5 (At Large) Terry Mulligan, Post 6 Marc Cohen, Post 7 (At Large) Charles “Buzz” Alford. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen motioned to approve the Resolution creating the Arts Commission and the slate of board members as stated above. Council Member Gajewski seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

**Sugar Hill Youth Council – Oath of Office** – Council Member Sullivan explained the process of selecting the members for the Youth Council. They are a diverse group of high school students and represent North Gwinnett High School, Lanier High School and Buford High School. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen nominated Olivia Hunsaker a North Gwinnett 10<sup>th</sup> grader; Council Member Gajewski nominated Alejandra Jimenez; Mayor Edwards nominated Roshni Patel and Alex Browning; Council Member Northrup nominated Deyson Johnson; Council Member Sullivan nominated Michael Shafack; Council Member Hembree nominated Jada Hyland and Serlin Singh. Council Member Sullivan motioned to approve the nominations as stated. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen seconded the motion. Approved 5-0. The Mayor and Council came forward and administered the Oath of Office to the Youth Council Members.

**Third Quarter Budget Amendment** – Assistant City Manager Troy Besseche explained the budget amendment. This will true up the budget for the DDA amendments, staff additions, landfill monitoring, large property acquisition cost, bowl improvements and Wi-Fi. This amendment does not include using any funds from reserves. Mayor Pro Tem Cohen motioned to approve the third quarter budget amendment. Council Member Northrup seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION: TO DISCUSS LEGAL, REAL ESTATE AND/OR PERSONNEL** – Council Member Sullivan motioned to adjourn into Executive Session at 8:17 p.m.

**PUBLIC ACTION TAKEN OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION** – there was no action taken out of Executive Session.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Mayor Pro Tem Cohen motioned to adjourn. Council Member Gajewski seconded the motion. Approved 5-0.

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Mayor Steve Edwards

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Jane Whittington, City Clerk