



City of Guyton  
**City Council Workshop**  
**December 1, 2020 – 7:00 p.m.**

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MINUTES OF WORKSHOP

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**Call to Order**

The December 1, 2020 City of Guyton City Council Workshop was called to order by Mayor Russ Deen at approximately 7:00 p.m. Mayor Russ Deen, Council Member Hursula Pelote and Council Member T. Marshall Reiser were present at this Workshop.

**Other staff Present:** City Manager Bill Sawyer and City Clerk Tina Chadwick were present.

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**TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION**

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- a. Guyton Gym Windows – Bill Sawyer  
Sawyer stated that we had 2 bids on the Gym Windows. Sawyer would like the Council to recommend that the City rebid this project. Mayor Deen would like to know if we could approve this at the next City Council Meeting in January.
- b. Annexation Steps – Bill Sawyer  
Sawyer stated that the Planning and Zoning Board unanimously approved the Annexation of Highway 17 – Vandiver Tract. December 8<sup>th</sup> the City will have a Public Hearing regarding this and then Council will vote on this at the December 15<sup>th</sup> Special Called City Council Meeting.
- c. GEMA Generator Grant – Bill Sawyer  
Sawyer spent a couple of hours today with the State of Georgia trying to redo the Budget. EOM has been brought in to help with this Grant.
- d. Crossgate/Guardrail – Bill Sawyer  
Sawyer states that there was a bid opening this afternoon regarding Crossgate and the Guardrails. A bid came in at \$41,000 for Crossgate. Crossgate came in around \$35,000 less than budget. Guardrails – 4<sup>th</sup> Street Extension and Griffin Street Safety – that bid came in with Metal Guardrails at \$71,000. Sawyer asked Councilwoman Pelote to lead the charge in approving of putting in Metal Guardrails for this project. Pelote recommends Metal Guardrails.
- e. Sanitation – Bill Sawyer  
Sawyer states that he got his first Sanitation Contract today. The City is expecting two more.

- f. Guyton Banking Services – Bill Sawyer  
Sawyer states that the City has published a Request for Proposal in the Newspaper for Banking Services and the City has also mailed the RFP to local banks in the area. Sawyer is very pleased with the response that the City has received so far.
- g. Delinquent Rental/Sewer/Trash Accounts – Councilwoman Pelote  
Councilwoman Pelote states that the City is having problems with rental properties and the renters leaving without paying their final water bill. Councilwoman Pelote has researched surrounding cities and those cities put the burden on the homeowners to be responsible for the final water bill if not paid by the renters. Sawyer would like to add a small fee for trash of \$18.83 a month. Mayor Deen thinks that this is a great idea. Councilman Reiser states that when they apply for service that the City needs to make sure they get the owners information when the renters/ apply for service.
- h. Deposit for New Customers – Utility Payments – Bill Sawyer  
Sawyer states that this was the same for what was discussed regarding Delinquent Rental/Sewer/Trash Accounts. Sawyer states that staff needs to generate proper documentation. Councilman Reiser states that the City is looking for a required deposit for all Utilities. Councilwoman Pelote states that the homeowner needs to be responsible for the unpaid water bills.
- i. Open Discussion (citizens can address any issue)  
Mayor Deen stated that him and Councilman Reiser drove to Conyers today to gather some information regarding the Georgia Hi-Lo Trail and Bike Path.

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### **Dates to Remember**

- a. Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 6:00 p.m., City Council Public Hearing – (Vandiver Tract – HWY 17 – Annexation) C.D. Dean, Jr., Public Safety Complex, City of Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312
- b. Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m., City Council Meeting, C.D. Dean, Jr., Public Safety Complex, City of Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312
- c. Saturday, December 12, 2020 at 8:00 a.m., Roadside and River Cleanup – Please volunteer to help keep our City and County Clean
- d. Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 7:00 p.m., Special Called City Council Meeting (Vandiver Tract - HWY 17 – Annexation) C.D. Dean, Jr., Public Safety Complex, City of Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312
- e. Tuesday, December 22, 2020 – Planning and Zoning Committee Meeting - C.D. Dean, Jr., Public Safety Complex, City of Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312
- f. Thursday, December 24 and Friday, December 25, 2020 – City Hall will be closed for Christmas Eve and Christmas
- g. Thursday, December 31, 2020 – City Hall will be closing at 12:00 p.m. for New

Year's Eve

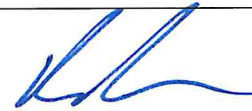
- h. Friday, January 1, 2021 – City Hall will be closed for New Year's Day
- i. Tuesday, January 5, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. – City Council Workshop, C.D. Dean, Jr., Public Safety Complex, City of Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312
- j. Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. – City Council Meeting, C.D. Dean, Jr., Public Safety Complex, City of Guyton Gymnasium, 505 Magnolia Street, Guyton, GA 31312

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**Consideration to Adjourn this Workshop**

Reiser made a motion to adjourn the Workshop at approximately 7:18 p.m. Pelote seconded the motion. **Motion passed unanimously.**

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Russ Deen, Mayor



Tina Chadwick, City Clerk

