

**MARCH 19, 2012  
CITY OF SENOIA  
MEETING OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL  
505 HOWARD ROAD  
7:00 PM**

**VISITORS: April Anderson, Harry Ramos, Don Rehman, Joe Cannin, Tony Bell, Scott Tigchelaar, Gail Downs, Carol Chancey, Winston Skinner and Josh Akeman**

**FULL COUNCIL PRESENT**

**1. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME VISITORS**

Mayor Belisle called the meeting to order, welcomed all and C. Fisher led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. APPROVAL OF MARCH 5, 2012 CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

C. Grover made motion to approve the March 5, 2012 Council minutes as presented & was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Owens. Motion carried unanimously.

**3. ADMINISTRATIVE/FISCAL MATTERS**

**A. FY 2011 Budget Amendments**

The 2011 budget amendments totaling \$242,000 for the General Fund were presented. Mr. Ferry explained that several purchases were made throughout 2011 that were not budgeted however; these can be amended with the increase in revenues received. We saw a significant increase in utility franchise fees as well as fines and forfeitures and the fire tax. Additional expensed from the Water Dept. include the Howard Road booster pump and the 4 acres purchased for the location of a future water tank, which all were paid out of reserves. The Sewer Fund was amended thru the department and Solid Waste increase was offset by revenues collected. Mayor Belisle thanked Mr. Ferry for his hard work with the amendments and made motion to approve the 2011 Budget Amendments as presented. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Fisher and carried unanimously.

**4. OLD BUSINESS-None**

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. 2<sup>nd</sup> Read-Amendment to Alcohol Ordinance**

C. Owens made motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> read of the Amendment to the Alcohol Ordinance & was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Grover. Motion carried unanimously.

**B. Library Change Order for Additional Landscaping**

C. Owens made motion to approve the change order for landscaping at the Library site as presented & was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Grover. Motion carried unanimously.

**C. Library Road Improvements**

Mayor Belisle made motion to begin an engineering study for the road improvements at the Library site & was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Owens. Motion carried unanimously.

**D. Downtown Water Tank Discussion**

Mayor Belisle made motion to declare the Main Street water tank surplus and sell it with the condition that it remains at its current site. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Fisher and the vote to approve motion was 4-1 with C. Graham against.

**E. City Acceptance of Village Circle**

With the road at Village Circle being ten years old C. Graham made motion that the City approve the acceptance of Village Circle providing core samples are conducted and pass as well as a new top coating is applied. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by Mayor Belisle and carried unanimously.

**F. Park Improvements-Engineering and Design**

Mayor Belisle made motion to approve AMEC, Inc. as the Company to construct the pre-construction documents and engineering plans for the Parks and Recreation Master Plan projects. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Graham and carried unanimously.

**G. Request for use of Freeman/Sasser Bldg. for Summer Program**

Mayor Belisle made motion to approve the request from Backpack Buddies to use the F/S Building Mon-Wed-Fridays 11:00 to 12:30 during the summer offering activities and lunch for children in the area. Motion was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Grover and carried unanimously.

**H. C.O.A. at 323 Bridge Street for an Accessory Structure**

C. Graham made motion to deny the COA for an accessory structure at 323 Bridge Street & was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Fisher. Motion carried unanimously.

**I. Downtown Development Authority Update**

C. Fisher read the upcoming activities to include the Memorial Day festivities, the Merchants Sidewalk Sale and the installation of Drop Dead Diva movie plaque.

**6. APPEARANCES FROM THE FLOOR**

After receiving a report back from an independent lab, Don Rehman of Heritage Pointe congratulated the City on the water quality we produce and commented on the sale of the water tank.

Joe Cannin of Willow Dell asked that Council check if water pressure will be affected if the Main Street tank is taken off line before any sale.

Tony Bell thanked all for their support of the March 17<sup>th</sup> Optimist BBQ and reviewed upcoming events.

**7. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **Clean Up Senoia has been scheduled for Saturday April 21<sup>st</sup>**
- **Memorial Day Parade and Festivities Monday, May 28<sup>th</sup>**
- **Optimist Taste of Senoia April 15<sup>th</sup>**

**8. ADJOURN**

Mayor Belisle made motion to adjourn the March 19, 2012 City Council meeting & was 2<sup>nd</sup> by C. Owens. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

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Bobby D. Graham, Mayor Pro-Tem

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Debra J. Volk, City Clerk