

**OCTOBER 1, 2007
CITY OF SENOIA
COUNCIL WORK SESSION
SHORT TERM WORK PROGRAM
DISCUSSION
6:00 PM**

VISITORS: John Thompson, Sarah Campbell, Bill Roy, Bob Werner, Sam Helfman, David Moye, Lt. and Kim Resmondo, Paul Lombardi and Mary Provost

COUNCIL PRESENT: Belisle, Grover, Harrison and Owens

COUNCIL ABSENT: Graham

1. CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME VISITORS

Mayor Belisle called the work session to order and welcomed all.

2. PURPOSE OF WORK SESSION

Discussion of the City Short Term Work Program/Projects

Mr. Ferry had previously emailed the proposed projects for Council review and asked if any have questions or comments. Mr. Ferry stated that after any amendments are made this evening the STWP will be followed up by a public hearing scheduled for October 15th as required by Community Affairs, along with the Capital Improvement Element so the City can move forward and maintain our local government status. The short term work program is simply a guide to follow when it comes to how we want see projects in the future. Mr. Ferry continued to say that some are obvious projects, adding that next year there will be a significant difference in the storm water. Mr. Ferry then reviewed the list according to the planning activity, which included the construction of the new Library in conjunction with the County and new government buildings including City Hall and the Police Department. Mr. McAfee asked if the church is still under consideration & has it been sold yet. Mr. Ferry informed all that the church is still being looked at and it has not yet sold. Recreation was also discussed as projects in numerous sections of the City including recreation paths and trails, equipment, benches picnic tabled and public restrooms and fountains. C. Harrison made mention of a few grants around \$5,000 available and an open air building, downtown restrooms and parking was also discussed. Mr. McAfee suggested using some money towards an island in and around the lake for the birds. Mayor Belisle suggested at looking at re-doing the community center and athletic fields as well. Mr. McAfee then asked what was the #1 project voted from the residents at the Town Hall meeting & was told parks and trails. Mr. Ferry mentioned a long term GDOT project that was proposed to run from Senoia to Atlanta but there is no funding and informed all that Randy Padgett is looking in to paving equipment as we can do the street work cheaper ourselves. Mr. McAfee mentioned LARP funds and was told by Mayor Belisle that their specs are so high that the City can coordinate the work through a private contractor for .

less. The Mayor asked that #14 (events in the park-amphitheatre) be scratched from the list. Mr. McAfee asked that the City involve the RDC for obtaining grants. C. Owens reminded all that it would be Chatt-Flint and not McIntosh Trail. Storm water issues were discussed at length regarding the areas of the City in need of improvement and SPLOST was considered as one funding source. It was decided to extend sewer system improvements to the year 2010. Reviewing the water/sewer rates and getting a quote will be forwarded to our engineer to be included on next year's budget. Mr. McAfee stated that based on the current population it is reasonable to lower the rates as more people are paying in. Mr. Ferry noted that the Land Development and Zoning Ordinances have been forwarded to Mr. Bill Johnston for review. After short discussion and review, Mr. Ferry will amend the STWP planning activity sheet for changes and have prepared for the scheduled public hearing on October 15, 2007.

3. ADJOURN

Mayor Belisle made motion to adjourn the Council work session and was 2nd by C. Harrison. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert K. Belisle, Mayor

Debra J. Volk, City Clerk