

BROOKS TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, November 15, 2021

Mayor Pro Tempore Israel led the Invocation, and the Pledge then called the meeting to order.

Mayor Pro Tempore: Scott Israel

Council Member present: Ted Britt

Kay Brumbelow Todd Speer

Absent: Mayor Langford

Brian Davis

The proposed Agenda for Monday, November 15, 2021, was provided via email to the Mayor and Council Members for review before tonight's meeting. Council Member Todd Speer made a Motion to approve the Agenda as presented; Ted Britt offered a Second motion. The vote was unanimous, all in favor.

The proposed Minutes for Monday, October 18, 2021, were provided via email to the Mayor and Council Members for review before tonight's meeting. Council Member Kay Brumbelow made a Motion to approve the minutes as presented; Todd Speer offered a Second motion. The vote was unanimous, all in favor.

Public Hearings:

a) Annexation Request: 10 acres off Price Rd.; Parcel # 0409 054

Applicant Richard Chambers has requested annexation of 10+/- acres located 1,800 ft south of Price Rd. and 1,000 ft north of Village Lake Ct and requested a zoning change from the county's AR to TOB RA zoning. Lot is landlocked with no other entries from Price Rd.; 50% of the lot is a lake. – Mayor Pro Tempore Israel opened the Public Hearing; Mr. Ungaro discussed the request and stated that this was not a forced annexation. Public was present, and no questions were asked; therefore, Mayor Pro Tempore Israel closed the public hearing.

b) Annual CIE Impact Fees

Mayor Pro Tempore Israel opened the Public Hearing concerning Capital Improvement Element (CIE) & Short Term Work Program (STWP) for discussion. Public was present, and no questions were asked. Therefore Mayor Pro Tempore Israel closed the Public Hearing.

Unfinished Business:

a) Annexation Request: 10 acres off Price Rd.; Parcel # 0409 054

No additional discussion or questions were raised from Council. Council Member Todd Speer made a Motion to approve; Ted Britt offered a Second motion, the vote was unanimous, all in favor. Town of Brooks Ordinance 2021-01 was executed by Mayor Pro Tempore Israel and attested by Kimberly Bradley, Deputy Town Clerk.

New Business -

b) Capital Improvement Element (CIE) & Short Term Work Program (STWP)

In keeping with the Towns agreement with Fayette County to receive impact fees collected on its behalf, it is incumbent upon the Town to review and approve annually an updated CIE & STWP. The STWP has remained unchanged from last year. These projects are still valid under the current Comprehensive Plan. Resolution 2021-05 CIE & STWP Transmittal Resolution was read by Mayor Pro Tempore Israel. Council Member Kay Brumbelow made a Motion to approve the resolution; Ted Britt offered a Second motion. The vote was unanimous, all in favor. Resolution 2021-05 has been approved to be signed by Mayor Langford.

Committee Reports (if any):

Mayor's Report- None

Planning and Zoning - Town Manager Maurice Ungaro stated it is time for the 5-year update to the Brooks Comprehensive Plan. The first order of business is to assemble the Steering Committee. The Atlanta Regional Commission will be spearheading the update.

Recreation – No one was present from BAR; financial information was received and distributed.

Clerk's Report - Ms. Bradley states there are two more Farmers' Markets for this year; they will take place on Saturday, November 20, 2021, and Saturday, December 4, 2021. Council Members agreed to move Monday, January 17, 2022, Council Meeting to Monday, January 24, 2022, due to the Martin Luther King holiday.

Finance Officer's Report - Ellen Walls was absent this evening. The financial information was distributed; Town Manager, Maurice Ungaro, reviewed the report; LOST for October decreased, and SPLOST YTD is at an increase of over 13.6%.

Manager's Report - Mr. Ungaro discussed the Town Septic service stating Robert Shockley has surveyed the existing line along Railroad St. and the line servicing the Vitalli residences. It is currently a 6" line that limits service to existing hookups. To expand service to new construction along Hwy 85 Connector, an 8" line would need to be installed. Mr. Ungaro also inquired about adding an additional septic tank in series with the existing two. Mr. Shockley said that would give the Town additional capacity. The costs are eligible to be covered under the ARPA funds the Town has received; in addition, part of those costs could be borne by the property owners as well. Mr. Ungaro also stated the Brooks Station Mural should be completed on schedule. The school is coordinating a ribbon-cutting ceremony in December. Mr. Ungaro recommends that the Council present a proclamation to the class at the January meeting due to class schedules and commitments.

Any Other – A sinkhole has been found in the ball field lot; Fayette County is responsible for the repairs.

Executive Session:

At this time, the public present at the meeting was dismissed for an Executive Session to be called to Order for Real Estate issues. Council Members voted unanimously to enter Executive Session.

After the discussion, being no other business, Mayor Pro Tempore Israel closed the Executive Session and re-entered the Council Meeting.

Any Other Business - Mayor Pro Tempore Israel suggested lighting be installed to light the mural once completed. Todd Speer stated that there was no flooding in front of the fire station with the most recent heavy rain. Council Member Ted Britt would like additional speed bumps located towards the south end of Brooks. Mr. Ungaro stated that the Transportation Committee did not vote on the "No Thru Truck" signs as it never made it to the commission; it was killed in the agenda Review Committee. Council Member Todd Speer offered a motion that the Town employee Christmas bonus remains the same amount for this year. Council Member Kay Brumbelow offered a Second motion, The vote was unanimous, all in favor.

Adjourn - There being no further business to discuss this evening, Council Member Ted Britt offered a Motion to adjourn; Todd Speer offered a Second motion. The vote was unanimous, all in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Bradley, Deputy Town Clerk
Lorey Spohr, Town Clerk