

**TOWN OF BROOKLET  
COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 18, 2009**

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Grooms**  
**Members Present:** Councilman Russell Davis, Councilwoman Annette Wilson, Councilman Randy Newman, Attorney Hugh Hunter, Councilwoman Sylvia Prosser and Councilman William Hendrix.
  
2. **INVOCATION:** Councilman Davis
  
3. **THIS MEETING WILL OPEN WITH A PUBLIC HEARING TO INFORM RESIDENTS OF THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING 2010. EACH COMMITTEE WILL PRESENT THEIR BUDGET.**  
Councilman Newman made the motion to go into a public hearing to announce the proposed budget for the fiscal year ending in 2010; motion was seconded by Councilman Hendrix and passed with all ayes.  
Each councilmember gave the budget balance for there department; there is a copy for review at the Brooklet City Hall.  
Councilman Newman made the motion to leave the public hearing and return to the regular session; motion was seconded by Councilman Davis and passed with all ayes.
  
4. **APPROVAL OF THE MAY MINUTES:**  
Councilwoman Prosser made a motion to accept the minutes as written, motion was seconded by Councilman Hendrix and passed with all ayes.
  
5. **APPROVAL OF THE MAY FINANCIAL REPORTS:**  
Councilman Hendrix made a motion to approve the financial reports as written; motion was seconded by Councilman Newman and passed with all ayes.
  
6. **RECOGNITION OF GUEST REQUESTING TO BE ON THE AGENDA. ELLEN PERKINS: PEANUT FESTIVAL ANNOUNCMENT AND SPECIAL PRESENTATION.**  
Ellen Perkins comes from the Brooklet Community Development Association (BCDA); the Brooklet Peanut Festival to thank the Mayor and Council for all their help from the past. Ellen would like to know if the Town of Brooklet would help again this year by contributing \$1,000.00 for a tent to provide the free entertainment for the festival. Councilman Davis made a motion to help BCDA with the tent cost of \$1,000.00; motion was seconded by Councilman Hendrix and

passed with four ayes with Councilman Newman abstaining.

Also, Mrs. Dot Roebuck has donated a couple of photos to the Town of Brooklet to City Hall; one photo is the old Methodist Church and the other of downtown Brooklet. The photos will be hung in City Hall for the public to view.

**7. REPORTS FROM THE COMMITTEE:**

**Councilman Davis** stated that Officer De Hagan had an accident in the police car due to an armadillo running out in front of his car, this caused damage to the spoiler, air conditioner and the radiator; he has two bids to repair the car: the first bid is from Preferred Collision Center for \$2,625.40 and the second bid is from Franklin Collision Center in the amount of \$2,875.74. Councilman Davis made a motion to accept the bid from Preferred Collision Center for \$2,625.40 and also to claim the accident on insurance and pay the \$1,000.00 deductible; motion was seconded by Councilman Hendrix and passed with all ayes.

**Councilwoman Wilson had no reports.**

**Councilman Newman** and Tony Cooper have been working on the downtown area and are now ready to do some work on the side Dr. Bohlkes' Office is on, Councilman Newman has received three proposals from Tony Cooper:

**Item #1: Sidewalks:**

A. To pour a sidewalk at the corner of East Lee & Parker street, to form a sidewalk in front of the pharmacy, and curbing at the corner of East Lee & Parker for \$2,850.00.

B. To resurface the sidewalks from Dr. Bohlkes' office past the pharmacy for \$2,100.00.

C. Repair chipped areas and color seal these areas to the Westside sidewalk for \$450.00.

The total proposal will be in the amount of \$5,400.00 and will be paid from the SPLOST Fund; Councilman Newman made a motion to accept all three bids from Tony Cooper; motion was seconded by Councilman Hendrix and passed with all ayes.

**Item #2: Crosswalks:**

American Striping has made a proposal to do the layout for the crosswalk and curbing crossing West Lane street at Dixie for a total of \$295.00; Councilman Davis made a motion to accept the proposal from American Striping; motion was seconded by Councilman Hendrix and passed with four ayes with Councilman Newman abstaining.

**Item #3. Pretorious Lane:**

way Mrs. Nell Cook spoke to council about the lane by her home. First, the road is to narrow, there is hedge on the right hand side at Lane street that is hard to see around, Mrs. Cook is worried that this will cause an accident. Also, on the far corner of Baker there is a wooden fence that is a blinder pulling out on Dixie Street. A concern we have is that the lane crosses over Rusty Smiths property. Mrs. Nell would like the lane to be made a one way street. The lane is really too narrow for two vehicles to travel.

Councilman Newman has a couple of options and quotes from Ellis Wood; Ellis Wood will go in and rock-it, Billy and the guys can go through and trim all the hedges that will be in the way; this will help with drainage.

**Option #1.** Pretorious Street Complete (To Rock-it) the whole lane  
Total \$6,944.00

**Option #2.** Pretorious Street to Residence: Total \$4,394.25

**Option #3.** Baker Street from North Cromley to Dixie Street to rock all that will  
Total \$10,044.00

Councilman Newman also asked Jamie Baker for a quote to do a sand/clay mixture for \$2,200.00; this would be all three sections on Baker Street including Pretorious Lane.

Rusty Smith would like to see the Town close Baker Street; this street is not being maintained by the city and there are huge pot holes in the middle of the road.

Councilman Newman asked Chief Buchan his opinion, Chief Buchan stated that he doesn't believe the sand/clay mixture will be a good solution to the problem, if anything this will create more problems when it rains. The Chief also stated that there should be no problem making Pretorius a one way street.

Another concern with the rock is that any loose rocks could fly and bust windows and also cause other problems.

Councilman Newman thinks we should go ahead and get Billy and the guys to

smooth the lane out and will also talk to him about getting on a schedule to keep the lane maintained.

Councilman Davis made a motion to one way Pretorious Street from Baker to Lane Street, ask Jamie Baker to scrape the road but not use the sand/clay mixture and have Billy and the guys trim both sides of the road and to keep it maintained on a monthly basis, motion was seconded by Councilwoman Wilson and passed with all ayes.

**Councilwoman Prosser had no reports.**

**Councilman Hendrix** gave the financial report balances for the General Fund, Water Fund, Cemetery Fund and SPLOST Fund accounts.

**Attorney Hugh Hunter had no reports.**

**Chief Mike Buchan** gave the monthly report from the Police Department and asked everyone to keep Officer Johnathan McGahee in there prayers, he has been deployed to Afghanistan and will remain there for 12 to 13 months.

**Chad McCorkle** was absent.

**8. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**1. Motion to adopt the BULLOCH COUNTY JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE 2008-2009 (HEREINAFTER, THE “COMPREHENSIVE PLAN”)**

Councilman Newman asked to make a motion to adopt the Bulloch County Joint Comprehensive Plan Update 2008-2009; motion was seconded by Councilman Hendrix and passed with all ayes.

**2. Motion to adopt RESOLUTION #2009-2029. “A RESOLUTION ADOPTING REVISIONS TO THE BULLOCH COUNTY SERVICE DELIVERY STRADEGY.”**

Councilman Hendrix made a motion to adopt Resolution #2009-2029; motion was seconded by Councilwoman Prosser and passed with all ayes.

**\*Mayor Grooms also announced there will be a called meeting June 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m. to approve the adoption of the budget.**

- 9. OLD BUSINESS:**  
No old business to discuss.

**10. NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED TEXT ADMENDMENTS TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES.** (Refer to minutes from May 12<sup>th</sup> Planning & Zoning meeting and introduction to the list of Text Amendments)  
Councilman Newman made a motion to go into a Public Hearing to discuss the Proposed Text Amendments; motion was seconded by Councilman Davis and passed with all ayes.

The Amendments were reviewed; Councilman Newman made a motion to table this matter until July 16<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 p.m., and also have the Planning & Zoning Committee meet with the Mayor and Council at this time and return back into regular session; motion was seconded by Councilwoman Wilson and passed with all ayes.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS.** These comments shall be limited to the subject that is being debated. Members of the public may speak for five minutes and may only speak once. Anyone wishing to speak at any meeting must be recognized by the Mayor before addressing the board.

**11. ADJOURNMENT.**

Mayor Grooms asked for adjournment.  
Councilman Davis made a motion to adjourn; motion was seconded by Councilwoman Wilson and passed with all ayes.