

Minutes
CITY OF FOLKSTON
WORK SESSION
April 08, 2019

The Mayor and Council of the City of Folkston met in a work session on April 08, 2019 at City Hall.

Members Present: Lee Gowen, Mayor
Ruby Baker
Marion Davis Jr.
Stanley Golaszewski
Rob Roberson
Bruce Young

Members Absent:

Also Present: Leonard H. Lloyd, City Manager
Darlene Williamson, Clerk
Patrick Brooks, City Attorney

Visitors: Matt Gardner, Charlton County Herald

WATER AND SEWER TAP FEES

Mr. Lloyd stated the water and sewer tap fees are below the cost for the materials need to provide the service. The council will need to approve any adjustment in the tap fees and the ordinance will need to be updated which will require two readings. The council instructed Mr. Lloyd to get an estimated cost for materials and labor associated with the water and sewer tap.

PEDESTRIAN SIGNAL UPGRADES

Mr. Lloyd presented a quote from Needham's Traffic Signal in Jesup, Georgia in the amount of \$2,500.00 to upgrade the pedestrian signals at Main Street and First Street. The council agreed the upgrade was necessary. The council will need to vote to approve the quote at the regular monthly meeting.

AT&T LEASE

Mayor Gowen informed the council that AT&T is requesting to reduce costs associated with the equipment on the tower located on the Burntfort Road. The council agreed this would not be in the best interest of the city. The council will need to vote on the lease agreement at the regular meeting.

REQUEST FOR STREET LIGHTS

Mr. Lloyd informed the council of a request from a citizen to have street lights installed at Indian Trail and Third Street. There are no street lights from the education building on Third Street to Indian Trail and from the caution light to the ball fields. The council requested information on the cost to install lights in this area.

ABANDONED PROPERTY ON THIRD STREET

Mr. Lloyd stated there is a house on Third Street that has been abandoned and has become a dangerous building. The council discussed other properties that have been abandoned. The city will make contact with the owners and give an update on these properties.


CITY OF HOMELAND EMERGENCY WATER REQUEST

Mr. Lloyd informed the council that the estimated cost to supply the City of Homeland emergency water would be \$20,000.00, this would include the engineering, materials and labor. The city of Homeland would be responsible for the cost. The council will need to vote to approve the connection at the regular meeting.

Mayor Gowen informed the council of the GMA District 11 spring meeting to be held on April 24, 2019 at 11:30 am at the Okefenokee NWR, Richard S. Bolt Visitor Center in Folkston.

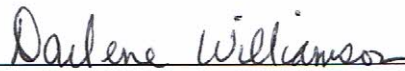
Mayor Gowen commended Chief Green, Mr. Lloyd and Mr. Young for their speaking at the county commissioners meeting concerning the violence occurring in the community and the objection to the upcoming event during Easter weekend.

The meeting adjourned at 5:57 pm.



Lee Gowen, Mayor

ATTEST:



Darlene Williamson, City Clerk