

CITY OF SANTA CLAUS COUNCIL MEETING  
October 18, 2022  
AGENDA

7:00 – P.M. – CALL MEETING TO ORDER ROLL CALL

- APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- COMMENTS/PUBLIC ISSUES
- READING OF MINUTES/APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES
- FINANCIAL REPORT:

<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance as of 15 OCT22</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Balance as of 15 OCT22</u>
Water and Sewer	\$1,692.30	General	\$4,442.39
LOST	\$64,848.35	Rental	\$2,896.53
Mayor	\$2005.11	Gift Shop	\$1,595.75
SPLOST	\$62,742.86	ARPA	\$49,004.44
<b>Total Deposit Assets \$174,284.23</b>			

Altamaha Money Market      \$154,857.39

**1. COUNCIL AGENDA /ISSUES/WORK UPDATES:**

GARDEN- Brenda Sells - Status update?

PARK- Monte Powell - Update?

COMMUNITY CENTER - Renee Wright - Status update?

ROADS AND APPEARANCE - David Evans - Get Darel to install the last stop sign along with others? Noticed that someone also knocked down/ran over the Keep Right sign located at Lance Sikes house - Since we'll need to replace the pole ... Suggest moving the location to the center/back end area behind City Hall?

**2. OLD BUSINESS:**

- Council voted to have Billy Ray Turner resurface the parking areas by City Hall with asphalt. He's agreed to paint the Keep Right arrows on the roads for us also.
- LOST funds appropriations - I've supplied a copy of the Certificate of Distribution that I received from John Jones (County Manager). It needs to be reviewed so that I can inform Mr. Jones of your decision to accept or decline the amount.
- Still waiting on the Mainstreet Committee in Lyons to install the "book box' for us.
- Flyers for Tree Lighting Ceremony, Holiday Christmas Dinner and proposed Annual Decorating Contest have been added to the city website and the city's Facebook page. Sue also sent notification with the water bills. Any volunteers to bake, provide snacks for the Tree Lighting? Since adding to Facebook have had some inquiring if they may also attend - Also when does everyone want to get together to put up our portion of the decorations?
- Sue, were you able to check and see if we can get small replicas of our city flag for purchase at the gift shop and cost?
- Still need to review the amount paid every year to Lyons due to Lyons Sewer prices increasing. Is what we are collecting covering all the cost increases? Or do we need to charge more for sewage? Currently LOST funds do help us pay for emergencies but is this going to be sufficient for future usage? Finally try to determine what is causing the drastic increase and see what needs to be done to fix.

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**3. NEW BUSINESS:**

- Asked Sue to go ahead and notify Jimmy Warren @ Curb Appeal to proceed with cleaning the fences. Get an estimate from Clarence Pittman for repair work needing to be done at the pavilion and ask Luis to trim the bushes at the Park sign as they've started to cover the front.
- I delivered a copy of our city ordinance (Health & Sanitation) to the store on 10/05/22. Asked the store associate to give it to the store manager (Danielle) Thursday as she wasn't going to be in the store that day and mentioned that it is a time sensitive matter. I also had Sue mail a copy of the ordinance to the Sfassie Family as they're the landowners. Wednesday, October 12th, I received a phone call from Kathy Adams (Mr Sfassie's daughter) that she's also in the process of contacting Dollar General management to help us get the matter resolved. She apologized that we were still having issues with the ditches as they had been informed that the matter had been resolved. I've provided you with a copy of the letter that she sent Dollar General. She also attached a copy of the ordinance and our letter to them.
- Zac (Parlor Media) has added the Tree Lighting and Contest flyers to the website's page. I still need to get with him on how to add upcoming calendar information also ... right now it's only showing the current month. Want to have November & December calendars to reflect the tree lighting, and resident's dinner - dates and times.
- Eddie had Billy Ray Turner give us an estimate for redoing the walking trail at the Park Pavilion. The estimate will probably be around \$18,000. This will include taking the tree roots out from under the current trail and also cutting/digging a 'trench' along the perimeter to prevent the roots from growing right back under the trail. Then resurfacing the walking trail once initial work is completed. Do you approve for Mr. Turner to proceed?
- I've redone the Business License Ordinance. Most are ones that we already have and I've added a few others. I've also asked Sue to run a notice in the paper regarding businesses doing work within the city to stop by City Hall to obtain a business permit. This is to try and get a grasp on what is being done in the city to ensure they are following ordinances, etc.
- I've ordered the 12 pc Nativity Set and the lighted Stable to set over in the Garden in front of the Chapel. It should be arriving soon. I also contacted Mr. George Powell to ensure that he was okay with us installing it. He gave us his okay.
- Talked with Rader Kennedy to get updates on photo boards, he's still working on them and hopes to be done with them soon.
- Tuesday, October 11th, I picked up PVC pipes and had them cut to 8' sections. I also tried to spray paint/Kilz to cover some of the stamped information on them. Delivered them to Donna Belcher with Downtown Craft House in Vidalia Saturday, October 15th, so she can get started putting the candy cane stripes on them. Once we get the poles, photo boards, etc. we will need to inquire and coordinate with Darel about getting them to install for us if they will.
- Address the sewage problem at 37 Dancer St. ... Suggestions?
- I've had to get the Sheriff's department out here to address the issue of children removing/tearing one of the reindeer from the stop sign at the corner of Reindeer/Salem. I informed them that as long as their parents reimburse us for the cost we won't press

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charges. Hoping to encourage parents to get more involved. Saturday, October 15th also had to talk to kids at the pavilion for jumping on tables, etc.