



The Work Session of the Mayor and Council was held in the Council room of West Point City Hall August 9, 2012 at 8:15 a.m. with Mayor A. Drew Ferguson IV opening the session.

Members Present:

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III
Councilmember Gerald W. Ledbetter
Councilmember Gloria R. Marshall
Councilmember Sandra Thornton
Councilmember Benjamin F. Wilcox
Councilmember Judy L. Wilkinson

Members Absent:

Mayor Ferguson opened the work session and thanked everyone for attending.

Introduction Cheryl Magby / Mainstreet/Better Hometown, Utility Compliance, Marketing Coordinator

Ms. Cheryl Magby introduced herself as the Mainstreet/Better Hometown, Utility Compliance Marketing Coordinator. She thanked the Mayor and Council for the opportunity to work in an area she loves and she stated she is currently coordinating a few upcoming events such as the Back to School Bash.

Malt Beverage & Wine License Application for West Point Stop & Go

City Clerk Richard McCoy stated West Point Stop & Go have a change in ownership and the application will be on the next agenda for consideration.

Citizens Review Board

City Manager Ed Moon stated there need to be some conversation about the focus and purpose for the review board. Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III will create a mission statement and present it to the council for approval.

Motorized Carts on City Streets

City Manager Ed Moon stated Georgia Law allows local Jurisdictions to decide if they want motorized carts on their road ways. He stated the current position of staff is

that motorized carts not be permitted. City Planner Sammy Osborne stated that new developments may want to have them in their community and asked the Mayor and Council to take that in consideration when making a decision.

Appoint (2) Keep Troup Beautiful Board Appointments

Mayor Ferguson stated two people need to be appointed to the Keep Troup Beautiful Board at the next meeting.

2013 Budget Process Calendar

City Manager Ed Moon presented the 2012 Budget Calendar and gave an overview of the 2012 General Fund Budget. The Budget process began August 6, 2012 with the distribution of budget forms to Department Directors and will end January 1, 2013 when the budget becomes effective.

Memorialize H.E. Steele

Councilmember Joseph R. Downs III stated he was in favor of renaming the West Point Technology Center in memory of former Mayor H.E. Steele. City Manager Ed Moon asked the West Point Development Authority Chairperson Craig Berlin would that be something they would entertain since the current sign is on the Authority's property. Mr. Berlin stated he would take it to their board for consideration.

City Attorney

City Manager Ed Moon stated Lewis, Taylor and Todd firm from LaGrange has agreed to represent the City of West Point until the Mayor and Council make a final decision is made regarding retaining or releasing the firm Morrow & Nix. The City of West Point will only pay for services rendered. Morrow & Nix will not be paid until the decision is made.

Other Business

Mrs. Suzette M. Moore passed out a flyer "Ross Speaks" highlighting events that has taken place in the West Point Housing Authority. Mrs. Moore is a coordinator for the Housing Authority who assists residents with their goals by linking the resident to established resources in the community.

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