

**City of Peachtree City
Minutes of Meeting
September 18, 2003
7:00 p.m.**

The City Council of Peachtree City met Thursday, September 18, 2003, 7:00 p.m., in the City Hall Council Chambers. Council Members attending were: Mayor Steve Brown, Annie McMenamin, Steve Rapson, and Dan Tennant. Murray Weed was out of town.

Announcements, Awards, Special Recognition

Mayor Brown read proclamations for Hispanic Heritage Month, Constitution Week, and National Public Lands Day. Brown recognized the 91 Lazer White Team U-13, 87 Girls Elite Team U-17, and 92 Lazer White Team U-12 Boys as champions in the Kohl's Atlanta Cup competition. The 90 Lazer Green Team U-14 Boys was recognized as the winner of the Aiken Cup competition held in Aiken, S.C. Code Enforcement Officer Tim Maret and Police Corporal Erik Powell were recognized as the Employees of the Month for August.

Approval of Minutes

There were no minutes for approval.

Consent Agenda

- 1. Consider Budget Amendments**
- 2. Consider Lease Supplement for Police Vehicles**
- 3. Consider Adoption of ICMA 401 Plan**
- 4. Consider Appointment of Deputy Registrars**
- 5. Consider Amendment to Ordinance – Article II, Section 2-38**
- 6. Alcoholic Beverage License – Change in Licensee – Aberdeen Woods**

McMenamin asked City Attorney Ted Meeker if she should abstain from the vote on Consent Agenda Item #2 since her son-in-law was a member of the Police Department. Meeker said she should not since there was no benefit to her family member that was not shared by other members of the Department so there would be no conflict. McMenamin asked the other Council Members if they felt there was an appearance of a conflict of interest. They replied that they did not.

Brown noted that Glenn Wallberg, the licensee applicant for Aberdeen Woods, was at the meeting. McMenamin noted that Aberdeen Woods had been a good corporate citizen for a long time and had given a great presence to the City, which was much appreciated. Bobby Howard, the applicant's attorney, introduced Wallberg and said he was the successor president of Sales & Service Training Center, Inc., owner of Aberdeen Woods Conference Center.

Tennant moved to approve items 1-6 on the Consent Agenda as submitted, including the additional documents on the dais. McMenamin seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Agenda Items

06-02-03 Consider Dog Park Location

Fred Bryant, chairman of the Dog Park Committee, addressed Council. He said the committee was basically requesting a site change from the location approved by Council in the Kedron area. He thanked Council for their leadership and Leisure Services Director Randy Gaddo and his staff, as well the Recreation Commission, members of the soccer and BMX associations, and Southern Conservation Trust.

Bryant continued that he believed there had been constructive dialogue regarding the site. He said they had agreed to disagree on some things. Bryant said he understood that the BMX association supported the location. He also understood that the Southern Conservation Trust did not oppose the dog park per se, but could not support any activity that would be inconsistent with their mission as a trust. Bryant also thanked the donors and sponsors that had contributed to this point. Bryant said the \$5,000 seed money provided by Council was earmarked for the water facility. Their fundraising had already exceeded the amount provided by Council and the committee intended to return the seed money to the City in the future so the money could be used for other purposes in the City.

Bryant said the proposed new site consisted of about three acres located in the McIntosh Trail complex. The committee tried to make sure there were no topographic or erosion concerns or stormwater issues, and that access was available with minimal effort. Parking was available and a water line was located nearby. He pointed out that the new site was also a central location for most City residents. The Kedron site only had about one-half acre that was useable and had major erosion concerns, as well as mitigation factors. The Committee had looked at other sites, but none supported their criteria as well as the site behind the BMX track. Bryant said the site also met the "good neighbor" criteria. They did not want to interfere with current uses, or planned recreational uses. He asked Council to approve the relocation of the site from the Kedron area to the three acres located south and east of the BMX track at the McIntosh Trail Recreation Complex. Bryant said they would survey the site to ensure that it did not conflict with the Southern Conservation Trust nature area. The access area would be closer to the Recreation Department building and away from the BMX track. He added that with Council's approval the committee could move forward with major fundraising.

Recreation Commissioner Mike Williams told Council this site was the best location for the dog park. He added that Recreation Department staff was located nearby. The dog park would be a daylight operation and would be well-regulated. Williams said the committee had done an excellent job of resolving issues connected to the site.

Gaddo agreed with Williams. He said the committee members had been professional in their approach to issues and would do an excellent job when the park opened.

Brown noted that the concession/storage facility at the BMX track was in deplorable condition. He suggested that if the Dog Park Committee needed storage that storage space could be included if the concession stand were rebuilt. Brown said they might be

able to get the materials donated since it would be a small project. Williams said they were already looking at ways to help each other's efforts.

McMenamin said she did not support Council spending the money for the dog park, but she would support Council's decision regarding the park. She said she did support the new site. McMenamin continued that she did have concerns about the original access with the multiple uses in the area. She told Bryant she appreciated the move to the left side of the Recreation Department building since it gave easier flow and access to the dog park.

Tennant moved to approve the relocation of the dog park from Kedron to the area south and east of the BMX track. Rapson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

New Agenda Items

09-03-03 Consider Bridlepath Drainage/Siltation Issue

Salvatore noted that Council had made a firm commitment of \$75,000 to this project at the last meeting as discussed at this year's Retreat. He continued that \$10,900 had already been appropriated for preliminary studies and an additional \$64,100 was needed. Staff recommended taking the remaining \$22,000 in FY 2003 Council Contingency plus \$42,100 from the PIP Contingency. Salvatore continued that the money should be put aside in the PIP project account for Bridlepath Creek and carry the funds over until the money could be spent on construction or until there were additional funds to move forward with the project.

Tennant moved to authorize staff to transfer \$22,000 from Council Contingency and \$42,100 from PIP Contingency to provide the funding for the Bridlepath Creek sedimentation project. Rapson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

09-03-04 Presentation on No Smoking Resolution from the Board of Health

Brown asked if anyone from the Board of Health was in attendance. No one answered. The agenda item was moved to the next meeting.

Council/Staff Topics

Brown commended the Airshow Committee for their work at the Great Georgia Airshow on September 6-7, as well as the National Air Tour held at Falcon Field on September 17-18.

McMenamin agreed and said the weekend at the airshow was outstanding and the non-profit organizations had a profitable weekend. The sponsors were looking for a positive bottom line. McMenamin explained that part of the airshow budget was to house and feed the pilots, so the City benefited. The Kiwanis Club was called on very short notice to help with the Air Tour. Those monies would also go back into the community. The members of the Air Tour were housed by the Commemorative Air Force and also spent money on food, including staying for a few extra days due to the bad weather on the East Coast. McMenamin pointed out the airshows brought money into the City and were a

great opportunity to showcase the City's airport. McMenamin also commended the Fire Department for their quick response to a landing incident with one of the antique aircraft.

Brown said he met with residents in the Georgian Park area concerning Phases 2 and 3 of the Kedron commercial area. He noted that the conceptual site plan for the project was on the Planning Commission's agenda on Monday, September 22. He said he would rather see the matter as a workshop item rather than conceptual site plan approval, if possible. Rapson agreed and said the homeowners wanted to discuss the project with the developer. Rapson noted that the Planning Commission workshop environment was probably an appropriate setting for that discussion. McMenamin also agreed. She said it would be a good opportunity for residents, staff, and the developer to come up with something everyone could live with. Developmental Services Director Clyde Stricklin said his department had no objection to holding a workshop.

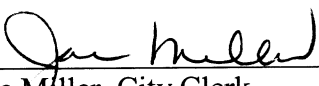
McMenamin asked, once the invitation had been extended, if the attorneys should be contacted to make sure they agree the meeting should take place and to look at the parameters. Meeker agreed. He said Council's direction to the Planning Commission was clear.

Meeker said he had a real estate matter and pending litigation to discuss in executive session.

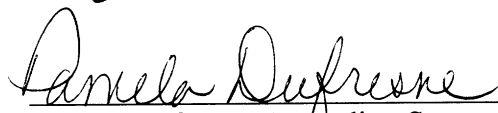
Tennant moved to reconvene in executive session for two legal matters after a short break. McMenamin seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Tennant moved to reconvene in regular session. Rapson seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business to discuss, Tennant moved to adjourn the meeting. Rapson seconded. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.


Jane Miller, City Clerk


Stephen D. Brown, Mayor


Pamela Dufresne, Recording Secretary