



CITY OF ST. MARYS, GEORGIA
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

October 23, 2012

4:15 p.m.

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. INVOCATION

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

IV. ROLL CALL

QUORUM: YES X NO

V. BUSINESS:

A. WATERFRONT IMPROVEMENTS:

To review and approve proposals for furnishing and installing miscellaneous equipment such as, buoys and dolphins, and the removal of abandoned boats and pilings

VI. ADJOURNMENT:

CITY OF ST. MARYS, GEORGIA
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MINUTES

The Mayor and City Council for the City of St. Marys, Georgia met for a Special City Council meeting on Tuesday, October 23, 2012 in the Council Chamber at City Hall.

PRESENT WERE:

Mayor Bill DeLoughy
Councilmember Greg Bird
Councilmember Jim Gant
Councilmember Sidney Howell
Councilmember John Morrissey
Councilmember Keith Post
Councilmember Nancy Stasinis

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

Steve S. Crowell, Jr., City Manager
Bobby Marr, Public Works Director
Roger Weaver, Planning Director
Tim Hatch, Police Chief
Robby Horton, Fire Chief
Jennifer Brown, Finance Director
Artie Jones, III, Economic Dev. Director

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor DeLoughy called the Special Called City Council meeting to order at 4:15 p.m. Councilmember Howell gave the invocation. Mayor DeLoughy led the audience in the pledge of allegiance. Council roll call indicated a quorum of council members present for the meeting.

BUSINESS:

A. WATERFRONT IMPROVEMENTS:

To review and approve proposals for furnishing and installing miscellaneous equipment such as buoys and dolphins, and the removal of abandoned boats and pilings.

The Planning Director stated that the Comprehensive Plan of the City of St. Marys places great emphasis on strengthening our relationship and connection to the water. These proposals address the following:

- safe anchorage for up to four (4) large vessels in the harbor (the two (2) new for \$14,960 and (2) repaired existing buoys for \$9,064);
- increased structural safety for the SMIG dock for \$16,489 (the two dolphins);
- removal and disposal of four (4) abandoned and sunken boats that have been the object of much angst for many years at \$27,488 (removal of derelict boats);
- removal of four (4) unnecessary pilings at the SMIG dock for \$6,710 (piling removal).

The total cost for all of this work is \$74,711. As outlined in the attached memo, the City Purchasing Manual (which is consistent with State law) permits the City to directly award a contract if "*deemed advantageous to the City*". The use of the barge/crane presently in the harbor will save the City approx. \$20,000 if the work is accomplished at this time. There is a very tight window of opportunity to take advantage of this 27% savings, as the barge/crane will only be in the harbor for 30-40 additional days. The Planning Director recommended taking advantage of the presence of the barge and crane in the harbor doing insurance work to accomplish work that will enhance the City's facilities as well as the City's interface with the maritime tourists.

Council discussed the buoys repairs, size and additional costs for larger buoys; reasons why SPLOST VI funds cannot be used to pay down debt, the attorney's clarification for using funds for improvements and alternate funding options; the heritage initiative; investing in the community; barge availability; effects on holiday cruisers; the possibility of recovering derelict boat costs and who is responsible for the boats.

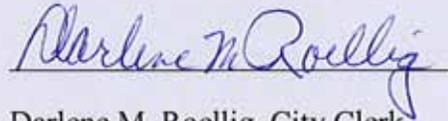
Following much discussion, Councilmember Stasinis made a motion to approve the items pending clarification that Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (SPLOST) VI funds could be used. Councilmember Morrissey seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

Council continued to discuss alternate funding for the boats and the cost of the barge is \$20,000 for each event. Councilmember Gant made a motion that if the sunken boats cannot be covered with SPLOST VI, to take the money out of General Fund. Councilmember Stasinis seconded the motion. Council discussed capping costs and bringing the boat issue back to Council. Following discussion, Councilmember Gant amended the motion at a cost up to \$30,000; and to pursue every avenue to get the money back from the state and/or the owners. Councilmember Stasinis seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous in favor of the motion.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilmember Post made a motion for adjournment. Councilmember Howell seconded the motion. Mayor DeLoughy declared the meeting adjourned 4:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Darlene M. Roellig". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Darlene M. Roellig, City Clerk



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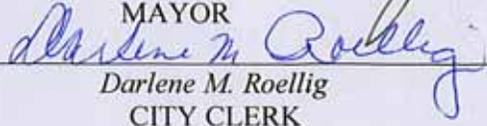
NOTICE OF SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING WITH CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE ATTACHED, AND THE WAIVER OF NOTICE AND CONSENT TO THE SPECIAL MEETING, AS SIGNED BY THE COUNCILMEMBERS OF SAID CITY, WERE READ AND ORDERED SPREAD UPON THE MINUTES OF THIS MEETING FILED FOR OFFICIAL RECORD.

TO: *Mayor William DeLoughy*
Councilmember Greg Bird
Councilmember Jim Gant
Councilmember Sidney Howell
Councilmember John Morrissey
Councilmember Keith Post
Councilmember Nancy Stasinis

You are hereby notified that the Council of the City of St. Marys, Georgia is hereby called to a Special City Council Session on Tuesday, October 23, 2012 at 4:15 p.m. in the Council Chamber at City Hall in St. Marys, Georgia, for the following purpose:

BY: 

William T. DeLoughy
MAYOR

ATTEST: 

Darlene M. Roellig
CITY CLERK

DATE: 10/22/12

CERTIFICATION AS TO SERVICE OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

I, Darlene M. Roellig, the duly appointed Deputy Clerk of Council for the City of St. Marys, Georgia, do hereby certify that on Thursday, October 18, 2012, I served in the manner prescribed by law upon each of the Councilmember's named in the foregoing Notice of Special Council Meeting.

Darlene M. Roellig
Darlene M. Roellig City Clerk

WAIVER OF NOTICE AND CONSENT OF SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

We, the undersigned Council members of the City of St. Marys, Georgia, do hereby accept service of the foregoing Notice of Special City Council Meeting and do hereby consent and agree that the Council of the City of St. Marys, Georgia shall meet at the time and place named in the said Notice of Special City Council Meeting and for the purpose(s) stated therein.

Greg Bird
Councilmember Greg Bird

Jim Gant
Councilmember Jim Gant

Sidney Howell
Councilmember Sidney Howell

John Morrissey
Councilmember John Morrissey

Keith Post
Councilmember Keith Post

Nancy Stasinis
Councilmember Nancy Stasinis

ATTEST: Darlene M. Roellig
Darlene M. Roellig, City Clerk

DATE: October 23, 2012