

CITY OF THOMASVILLE COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

Monday, August 21, 2023 – 6:00 P.M.
20 Stadium Drive, Thomasville, NC 27360

Mayor Raleigh York, Jr. ~ Mayor *Pro Tem* Payton Williams

Elected officials in attendance: Mayor Raleigh York, Jr.; Mayor Pro Tempore Payton Williams; and Council Members Doug Hunt, Wendy Sellars, Lisa Shell, Jeannette Shepherd and Hunter Thrift. Council Member Ron Bratton had an excused absence.

1. Call to Order – Mayor York called the meeting of the Thomasville City Council to order and welcomed everyone in person and online.
2. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda

Upon request of Council Member Thrift, City Manager Michael Brandt requested that Council move item 5.H. Consideration of Amendment to Thomasville Special Event Permit Policy and Farmers Market Policy to Address the Sale of Alcohol at Special Events from the Consent Agenda to item 6.E. on the Regular Agenda.

Mayor Raleigh York, Jr. added item 8. Closed Session – Attorney/Client.

Council Member Thrift moved to approve the agenda as amended. Council Member Hunt seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

3. Public Forum – No one came forward to speak.
4. Public Hearing - Consideration of an Ordinance to Close an Unopened Portion of Kahler Street.

Planning Director Chuck George presented the facts regarding this matter. Mayor York opened the public hearing. Nobody spoke for or against this issue. Mayor York closed the public hearing.

Council Member Hunt moved to approve the ordinance. Council Member Shell seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

5. Consent Agenda

City Manager Brandt and spoke briefly about each of these items:

- A. Consideration of Approval of Minutes – Briefing Meeting on 07/10/23
- B. Consideration of Approval of Minutes – Council Meeting on 07/17/23
- C. Consideration of Approval of Minutes – Special Called Meeting on 07/24/23
- D. Consideration of Approval of Revision to Purchasing Policy Regarding P-Card

Purchasing Transaction Limit

- E. Consideration of Approval of Revision to Personnel Manual Appendix A and to Approve New Job Descriptions in Finance Department
- F. Consideration of Amendment to City Ordinance Chapter 2, Article 4, Division 3, Section 2-152 Membership; Terms of Office, Vacancies of Historic Preservation Commission
- G. Consideration of Approval of Extension of Resolution Amending the Thomasville Police Personnel Policy
- ~~H. Consideration of Amendment to Thomasville Special Event Permit Policy and Farmers Market Policy to Address the Sale of Alcohol at Special Events (Moved to item 6. E.)~~

Assistant City Manager Eddie Bowling spoke briefly about each of these items:

- ~~H.~~ Consideration of Amendment to City Ordinance Chapter 78, Article 8, Sections 78-468 and 78-469 to Replace a Yield Sign with a Stop Sign at 2nd Avenue and Randolph Street Intersection
- ~~J.~~ Consideration of Amendment to City Ordinance Chapter 10, Article 2, Sections 10-36, 10-37 and 10-39 Animals
- ~~K.~~ Consideration of Approval of a Resolution for Continued Support of Memorandum of Understanding for High Point MPO
- ~~L.~~ Consideration of Approval of Resolution of Acceptance of Asset Inventory and Assessment Grant
- ~~M.~~ Consideration of Light Up the Holidays Road Closure Ordinance

Council Member Thrift moved to approve all the items on the Consent Agenda. Council Member Hunt seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

6. Regular Agenda

A. Consideration of the Approval of the Thomasville City Strategic Plan

Assistant City Manager Eddie Bowling presented the facts regarding this matter.

Council Member Hunt moved to approve the Thomasville City Strategic Plan. Council Member Sellars seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

B. Consideration for Approval of Bid to Demolish 207 Brown Street and 306 Martin Luther King Drive

Planning Director Chuck George presented the facts regarding this matter.

Council Member Sellars moved to approve the bid from Kennedy Ditching and Trucking to demolish 207 Brown Street and 306 Martin Luther King Drive. Mayor Pro Tem Shepherd seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

C. Consideration of Approval of Resolution of Acceptance of a Loan and Grant for Rains Road Pump Station Improvements

City Manager Brandt presented the facts regarding this matter.

Council Member Sellars moved to approve this resolution. Council Member Hunt seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

D. Consideration of Approval of Resolution of Acceptance of State ARPA Earmark Funds for Waterline Improvements

City Manager Brandt presented the facts regarding this matter.

Council Member Sellars moved to approve this resolution. Council Member Williams seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.

E. Consideration of Amendment to Thomasville Special Event Permit Policy and Farmers Market Policy to Address the Sale of Alcohol at Special Events

City Manager Brandt presented the facts regarding this matter.

Council Member Hunt moved to approve this policy amendment. Council Member Williams seconded. Motion approved 5 – 1 with Council Member Shepherd voting against it.

7. Committee Reports and Appointments, Mayor's Report and Appointments, City Manager's Report, City Attorney's Report – No action was taken.

8. Closed Session – Attorney/Client

Council Member Thrift moved that Council go into closed session for an attorney/client matter. Council Member Hunt seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0. Open session resumed, and Mayor York announced that no action was taken in closed session.

9. Additional Items – City Manager Brandt announced that an information session regarding a proposed solar farm on the Baptist Children's Home property would be held on August 23rd & 30th from 5:30 – 6:30 at the BCH Family Resource Center for anyone who is interested in attending.

10. Adjournment – Council Member Sellars moved to adjourn. Council Member Shell seconded. Motion unanimously approved 6 – 0.