Georgetown City Council Meeting
Monday, March 28, 2011
6:00 pm

The Georgetown City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Everette Varney with all members present. After a moment of silence Councilman McEuen led the pledge.

1. **Minutes:**

   A motion was made by Councilman Prather and seconded by Councilman Penn to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2011 city council meeting. **Motion unanimously approved.**

2. **Acknowledgement Receipt of Bills:**

   Mayor Varney requested council acknowledge receipt of bills. **Council acknowledged receipt of bills.**

3. **Public Concerns:**

   A.) **New businesses downtown**
   Kitty Dougoud announced that there were 2 additional businesses opening downtown. One of the businesses will be located on Broadway and the other will be located near the Rock House.

   B.) **Georgetown three year reinvestment stats**
   Kitty Dougoud presented council with a worksheet on Georgetown's three year reinvestment statistics. There has been 1.3 million dollars spent on building rehabilitations.

   C.) **Start**
   Kitty Dougoud reminded the city about the upcoming **Start** walking event to be held downtown on April 6, 2011 beginning at 12:00 pm. There are 3 different routes all 1 mile long beginning at Courthouse Square. This is a health initiative for our community.

   D.) **Grants that require a resolution**
   Kitty Dougoud asked if there was a possibility that a resolution could be drafted for in kind grant matches when a grant required a resolution. She suggested that this could be made available through the finance department.

4. **Mayors Comments:**

   A.) **Proclamation for retiring city employee Danny Cook**
   Mayor Varney read a proclamation honoring Danny Cook. Danny worked for the City of Georgetown for 26 years. March 31, 2011 was proclaimed as "Danny Cook Day" in the City of Georgetown. Lori

Saunders announced that a reception would be held Thursday from 1:00 until 4:00 in honor of Danny. Everyone is welcome.

B.) **Resolution showing support for Tahara, Japan and Toyota**
City Clerk Tracie Chew read a resolution showing support for Tahara, Japan and Toyota. A motion was made by Councilman McEuen and **seconded by Councilman Thompson to approve the resolution. The motion was unanimously approved**. A copy of the resolution was given to Kim Menke representing Toyota and a copy will be sent to the mayor of Tahara City.

C.) **Restrooms at Marshall Park**
A donation has been made for restrooms to be constructed at Marshall Park. The restrooms will be attached to the existing concession stand. All materials and labor are being donated. There will be a contract that Mayor Varney will sign outlining the work that will be done.

5. **Public Works:**

A.) **Hay Removal at Lanes Run Business Park**
Terry Thomas announced that he was putting the hay removal at the business park out for bid. The hay must be removed thirty days after rolling and it cannot be sold on the premises.

B.) **Approval to apply for Kentucky Pride Recycling Grant**
Terry Thomas asked for the council's approval to apply for the Kentucky pride recycling grant. It is an in kind match of $4,400.00 in labor. There will be no cost to the city. This is a $12,000.00 grant and it supports the clean water act. The city will be able to advertise about recycling and purchase recycling containers. A motion was made by Councilman Penn and seconded by Councilwoman Skinner to give Mr. Thomas permission to apply for the grant. **Motion unanimously approved**.

6. **Finance:**

A.) **Clarification of unreserved fund balance**
Betty Pendergrass distributed financial information for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2010. Ms. Pendergrass explained the $6,336,416.00 Balance was a combination of cash, investments, and accounts receivable not yet received as of June 30, 2010. Ms. Pendergrass also let the council know that as of February 28, 2011 the fund balance is $5,054,696.00.

B.) **June 30, 2010 audit report**
Ms. Pendergrass introduced Jerry Hensley and Heather Cochran with Ray, Foley, Hensley & Company, PLLC. A bound copy of the June 30, 2010 audit was distributed and Mr. Hensley gave a brief overview of the audit.

7. **City Engineer:**

A.) **Traffic Committee recommendations municipal orders 11-002 and 11-003**

Municipal Order 11-002

1. The council adopts the recommendations set forth in the Traffic Committee minutes dated March 8, 2011 and the Mayor is authorized to implement the same.
2. The Mayor is authorized to erect signs "No Parking Both Sides of Street" from Main Street to Jackson Street.
3. The Mayor is authorized to erect signs "No Parking This Side of Street" on the north side of Southgate Drive from Christian Drive to U.S. 25.

Municipal Order 11-003 Handicap parking spot on Jackson Street

Mr, Larson explained that the work for this municipal order was completed before the reading of this order to accommodate Georgetown College and to avoid inclement weather. If the council does not approve the order the work can be reversed

Discussion of Municipal Order 11-002

Councilman Lusby expressed concern about the loss of parking spaces on Broadway. He feels that residents and businesses will suffer. Councilman Singer agreed with Lusby saying that the parking spaces in front of Holy Trinity Church are used frequently. Mr. Larson said that he, Chief Reeves and Chief Bruin had investigated the parking situation on Broadway and that there was alternative parking if these spaces were eliminated. Mr. Larson also stated the danger of citizens exiting their cars on Broadway with on coming traffic. There have also been issues with blocked drive ways. Councilman Lusby said he could support the other two items on this order. Ms. Lynn a member of Holy Trinity Church stated it would be very difficult for some of the churches members to walk up the street beside the church if the two spaces in front of the church were eliminated.

A motion was made by Councilman Lusby and seconded by Councilman McEuen to amend municipal order 11-002 removing the reference to the South Broadway parking. **The motion unanimously approved.**

A motion was made by Councilman Penn and seconded by Councilwoman Tackett to approve amended Municipal Order 11-002. **The motion was unanimously approved.**

A motion for approval by Councilman Singer and seconded by Councilman Thompson to approve the Municipal Order for the handicap parking space on Jackson Street. The motion was unanimously approve.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Skinner and seconded by Councilman Prather to adjourn the meeting. **The motion unanimously approved.**

APPROVED BY:

Everette Varney

Everette Varney, Mayor

ATTESTED BY:

Tracie Hoffman Chew

Tracie Hoffman Chew, City Clerk/Treasurer