



CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

CITY COUNCIL MEETING – MINUTES

3120 Stonecrest Blvd. Stonecrest, GA 30038

Monday, January 24, 2022 at 6:00 PM

Council Member Tara Graves – District 1 Council Member Rob Turner – District 2

Council Member Jazzmin Cobble – District 3 Mayor Pro Tem George Turner – District 4

Council Member Tammy Grimes – District 5

Citizen Access: [Stonecrest YouTube Live Channel](#)

I. CALL TO ORDER: George Turner, Mayor Pro-Tem

II. ROLL CALL: Sonya Isom, Deputy City Clerk

All members present.

III. INVOCATION

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

V. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble requested items under New Business, A. Resolution for a Special Election to authorize Dekalb County to run Stonecrest election 03/15/22 and B. Resolution for the Special Election to be held on 03/15/22 to Set Qualifying Dates & Fees be removed from the agenda.

Motion – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to approve the agenda for January 24, 2022 with stated changes. Seconded by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble.

Motion passed unanimously.

City Manager Jackson spoke on item regarding Stonecrest currency. The City was contacted by the News media and stated Stonecrest residents spoke with them in regards to the name of the Stonecrest currency. City Manager Jackson stated this is an initiative of a private resident and the City is not involved.

VI. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Approval – of November 22, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Motion – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to approve November 22, 2021 Meeting Minutes with stated changes. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy

Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

b. Approval – of December 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes

Motion – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to approve December 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

c. Approval – of January 4, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Motion – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to approve the January 4, 2022 Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

d. Approval – of January 10, 2022 Special Called Meeting Minutes

Motion – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to approve the January 10, 2022 Special Called Meeting Minutes. Seconded by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble.

Motion passed unanimously.

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

(This Meeting will be conducted virtually, the public comments received via email by 4 pm on the day of the meeting will be read or played via video into the minutes by the City Clerk)

There is a two (2) minute time limit for each speaker during public comment.

There were eight (8) public comments.

Daisy Hawks – General Comment

Andrew Wells – The Stonecrest Citizens Coalition – Election Comment

Malaika Wells – The Stonecrest Citizens Coalition – Election Comment

Joseph & Ruth Floyd – Stonecrest currency inquiry

Faye Coffield – General Comment

Jacqueline Bryant – Windsor Downs Community – Metro Green

Donna Priest-Brown – Election Comment

Luvetta Barbarin – Metro Green

Mayor Pro Tem George Turner provided an overall comment that the Council will respond to the Public Comments at the next meeting if not sooner.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

*Citizens wishing to participate and comment during the public hearing portion of the meeting, please submit your request including your full name, address, and the agenda item you are commenting on via email at cityclerk@stonecrestga.gov by **2 pm the day of the Hearing, January 24, 2022**. A zoom link for the meeting will be sent to you. As an alternative, you can submit comments and questions to the same email address by the same deadline to be read into*

the record at the meeting.

There is a ten (10) minute time limit for each item per side during all public hearings. There is a two (2) minute time limit for each speaker.

- a. AX-21-002, 1724 Rogers Lake Road – *Jim Summerbell*

Motion 1 – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to open Public Hearing for item AX-21-002. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

In Favor:

Jody Campbell, Applicant
Bernard Knight

Opposing:

Arlene S. Farmer
Pyper Bunch
Renee Cail
Faye Coffield

Motion 2 – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to close Public Hearing for item AX-21-002. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3 – Made by Mayor Pro Tem George Turner to defer item to the next Council Meeting. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.
Motion failed because it was not called.

Motion 4 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to approve a full cycle deferral. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

- b. RZ-21-009, 6547 Chupp Rd – *Jim Summerbell*

Brief overview provided by Jim Summerbell.

Motion 1 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to open Public Hearing on item RZ-21-009. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

In Favor:

Marie Colson, Applicant

Opposing:

Bernard Knight

Motion 2 – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to close Public Hearing on item RZ-21-009. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3 – Made by Councilmember Tammy Grimes to approve RZ-21-009. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

- c. SLUP-21-005, 4460 Idlewood Park – Adult Day Care – *Jim Summerbell*

Brief overview provided by Jim Summerbell.

Motion 1 – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to open Public Hearing on item SLUP-21-005. Seconded by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble.

Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

In Favor:

None.

Opposing:

Pyper Bunch
Stefanie Brown
Faye Coffield

Motion 2 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to close Public Hearing on item SLUP-21-005. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3 – Made by Councilmember Tammy Grimes to approve a full cycle deferral on SLUP-21-005. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

- d. TMOD-21-013 – Mitigation of Potential Conflicts between Residential and Industrial Development – *Jim Summerbell*

Brief overview provided by Jim Summerbell.

Motion 1 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to open Public Hearing on item TMOD-21-013. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

In Favor:

Bernard Knight

Opposing:

Marie Colson

Faye Coffield

Motion 2 – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to close Public Hearing on item TMOD-21-013. Seconded by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to approve a full cycle deferral on TMOD-21-013. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

- e. TMOD-21-014 – PC Administration – *Jim Summerbell*

Brief overview provided by Jim Summerbell.

Motion 1 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to open Public Hearing on item TMOD-21-014. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

In Favor:

None.

Opposing:

Faye Coffield

Motion 2 – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to close Public Hearing on item TMOD-21-014. Seconded by Councilmember Tara Graves.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3 – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to approve item TMOD-21-14. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

- f. TMOD-21-015 – Overlay District Administration – *Jim Summerbell*

Brief overview provided by Jim Summerbell.

Motion 1 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to open Public Hearing on item TMOD-21-015. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

In Favor:

None.

Opposing:

Faye Coffield

Motion 2 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to close Public Hearing on item TMOD-21-015. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to approve item TMOD-21-15. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

- g. TMOD-21-016 – Supplemental Uses – *Jim Summerbell*

Brief overview provided by Jim Summerbell.

Motion 1 – Made by Councilmember Tammy Grimes to open Public Hearing on item TMOD-21-016. Seconded by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble.

Motion passed unanimously.

Public Comment

In Favor:

None.

Opposing:

Arlene S. Farmer

Faye Coffield

Bernard Knight

Motion 2 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to close Public Hearing on item TMOD-21-016. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 3 – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to approve a full cycle deferral of TMOD-21-016. Seconded by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble.

Motion passed unanimously.

IX. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. RZ-21-006, 4700 Browns Mill Road Withdrawal Request – *Jim Summerbell*

Brief overview provided by Jim Summerbell.

Motion - Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to accept withdrawal application RZ-21-006. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Jimmy Clanton Recognition – *Mayor Pro Tem George Turner*

Mayor Pro Tem George Turner and Councilmembers expressed their deep gratitude for former Councilmember Jimmy Clanton's service on the Council and in the creation of the City of Stonecrest.

XI. REPORTS & PRESENTATIONS

XII. OLD BUSINESS

XIII. NEW BUSINESS

- a. **For Decision** – of Resolution for a Special Election to Authorize Dekalb County to run Stonecrest election 03/15/22 – *Sonya Isom* – Removed
- b. **For Decision** – of a Resolution for the Special Election to be held on 03/15/22 to Set Qualifying Dates & Fees – *Sonya Isom* – Removed
- c. **For Decision** – of Reconstitution of Committees – *Mayor Pro Tem George Turner*
- CID Advisory Committee
 - SPLOST Advisory Committee
 - Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee
 - Stonecrest Financial Oversight Committee
 - CID Advisory Committee

Motion 1 – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to reconstitute the CID Advisory Committee as read with stated membership. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

- SPLOST Advisory Committee

Motion 2 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to reconstitute the SPLOST Advisory Committee as read with stated membership. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

- Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee

Motion 3 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to reconstitute the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee as read with stated updated membership. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

- Stonecrest Financial Oversight Committee

Motion 4 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to reconstitute the Stonecrest Financial Oversight Committee as read with stated updated membership. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

d. For Decision – of Janitorial Contract Approval – *Gia Scruggs*

Finance Director Gia Scruggs provided a brief overview. The recommendation is to award the janitorial contract to American Family Services, Inc. for an initial annual contract amount of \$96,603.96. Because there may be additional services that the City of Stonecrest may require such as special events, COVID cleaning and disinfecting, and afterhours services, these services were included in the solicitation and cost proposal and will be billed separately. This contract will be funded from the General Fund – Leisure Services.

Motion – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to approve the Janitorial Contract approval. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

e. For Decision – of Parks and Sports Field Maintenance Contract – *Gia Scruggs*

The Finance Director Gia Scruggs provided a brief overview. The recommendation is to award the maintenance contract to Grand Landscapes for an initial annual contract amount of \$443,543.97. Grand Landscapes is an established landscaping and ground keeping company that is located very near the City of Stonecrest. This contract will be funded from the General Fund – Facilities & Building/City Hall. This contract includes four optional

years. Upon approval of this contract, the Optech contract will be amended to reflect the change in service delivery.

Motion – Made by Councilmember Rob Turner to approve the Parks and Sports Field Maintenance Contract. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

f. For Decision – Ongoing Municipal Engineering and Professional Services – *Gia Scruggs*

Finance Director Gia Scruggs provided a brief overview. The recommendation is to award the Ongoing Municipal Engineering and Professional Services Contract to Lowe Engineering for an initial annual contract amount of \$1,296,880.08. Lowe Engineering, LLC (LOWE) partnered with Corporate Environmental Risk Management, LLC (CERM) in a joint venture to respond to this request for proposal. Lowe has worked with several municipalities and county government in DeKalb County.

Motion 1 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to approve the Ongoing Municipal Engineering and Professional Services Contract. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion failed because it was not called.

Motion 2 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to amend the original motion to approve the recommended vendor separate from the draft contract to be reviewed at a later date. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

g. For Decision – of AX-21-002, 1724 Rogers Lake Road – *Jim Summerbell* – Deferred in Public Hearing

h. For Decision – of RZ-21-009, 6547 Chupp Road – *Jim Summerbell* – Approved in Public Hearing

i. For Decision – of SLUP-21-005, 4460 Idlewood Park – *Jim Summerbell* – Deferred in Public Hearing

j. For Decision – of TMOD-21-013 – Mitigation of Potential Conflicts between Residential and Industrial Development – *Jim Summerbell* – Deferred in Public Hearing

k. For Decision – of TMOD-21-014 – PC Administration – *Jim Summerbell* – Approved in Public Hearing

l. For Decision – of TMOD-21-015 – Overlay District Administration – *Jim Summerbell* – Approved in Public Hearing

m. For Decision – of TMOD-21-016 – Supplemental Uses – *Jim Summerbell* – Approved in Public Hearing

n. For Decision – Finance Director Employment Agreement Amendment – *Winston Denmark*

Motion – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to approve the Finance Director Employment Agreement Amendment. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

o. For Decision – City Manager Contract for Services – *Winston Denmark*

Motion – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to approve the City Manager Contract for Services. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

p. For Decision – City Clerk Recommendation – *Janice Allen Jackson*

Motion – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to defer the City Clerk Recommendation decision to a Special Called Meeting on Wednesday, January 26, 2022 at 6 pm. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

XIV. CITY MANAGER UPDATE

a. COVID Report

COVID numbers have risen at an alarmingly high rate over the last two months. The cases have decreased but are still high. City Hall is still closed to the public. COVID testing is being offered at the former Sam's building. Appointments can be made on the DeKalb County website.

b. County SPLOST Forum

The SPLOST Forum is Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at 6 pm. Online registration is available on the DeKalb County website. The meeting will be hosted by CEO Michael Thurmond and the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners.

XV. MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

District 2, Councilmember Rob Turner – Be safe and thank you. Compliments to the City for supporting during the long meeting.

District 5, Councilmember Tammy Grimes – Be safe. Rest well.

City Manager Janice Allen Jackson – Thank you for your support and looking forward to a great 2022.

District 4, Mayor Pro Tem George Turner – Thank you for your time. We look forward to putting out good news regarding the City.

XVI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

(When an executive session is required, one will be called for the following issues: 1) Personnel, 2) Litigation, 3) Real Estate)

Motion 1 – Made by Councilmember Tammy Grimes to go into executive session to discuss personnel matters related to the Finance Director Employment Agreement Amendment, City

Manager Contract for Services, and City Clerk Recommendation. Seconded by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble.

Motion passed unanimously.

Motion 2 – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to exit executive session. Seconded by Councilmember Tammy Grimes.

Motion passed unanimously.

XVII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion – Made by Councilmember Jazzmin Cobble to adjourn the City Council meeting at 12:19 am. Seconded by Councilmember Rob Turner.

Motion passed unanimously.

Americans with Disabilities Act

The City of Stonecrest does not discriminate on the basis of disability in its programs, services, activities and employment practices.

If you need auxiliary aids and services for effective communication (such as a sign language interpreter, an assistive listening device or print material in digital format) or reasonable modification to programs, services or activities contact the ADA Coordinator, Sonya Isom, as soon as possible, preferably 2 days before the activity or event.