

**CITY OF THOMSON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 8, 2006**

7:30PM

CITY HALL

PRESENT

Robert L. Knox, Jr., Mayor
Kenneth Usry, Councilmember
J.T. Wiley, Councilmember
Alton Belton, Councilmember
Mike Carrington, Councilmember
John Smalley, Councilmember
Robert L. Flanders, City Administrator
Dianne L. Landers, City Clerk
Jimmy Plunkett, City Attorney

ALSO PRESENT

Jim Wallace, McD. Progress
Andrew Slaughter, Zion Church
Peter J. Ruddick
Fred Guerrant
Mike Wall

Mayor Knox welcomed all present. The invocation was given by Councilmember Wiley, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

MINUTES

Councilmember Usry moved the approval of the minutes from the May 11, 2006 meeting. Following a second by Councilmember Belton, the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Request for time extension to Zion Church of the Lord Jesus Christ. Several months ago Bro. Andrew Slaughter spoke before the Council and was given a deadline for July 12, 2006 to vacate the downtown building. Bro. Andrew requested an extension of 30 days in order to obtain a place in which to move his church.

A motion by Councilmember Belton to grant the 30 days extension was seconded by Councilmember Carrington. The motion carried.

Joint Resolution with McDuffie County for New Hanger at Thomson-McDuffie Airport Regional. This resolution is with the City of Thomson and McDuffie County to support the construction of a new Hanger facility for the Georgia State Patrol Aviation Operation located at the Thomson-McDuffie County Regional Airport.

Councilmember Smalley moved to accept the resolution. Following a second by Councilmember Usry, the motion carried.

Resolution In Support of the Expansion of The Augusta Local Toll-Free Two Way Calling Area. This resolution will establish a two way calling between the City of Augusta and the City of Thomson.

Councilmember Carrington moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilmember Belton. The motion carried.

Annexation Ordinance for Main Street, Dean Ave and Martin Luther King Jr. Street.

This is the 1st reading of the Ordinance to annex properties located on Main Street, Dean Ave, Martin Luther King Street Jr., Street and Wilson Street into the City limits.

McDuffie County was notified of the annexation and have no objections.

Banner request from Springfield Baptist Church for Multi-County wide crusade for June 26-30, 2006 at the Brickyard.

Motion by Councilmember Smalley to approve the Banner request and seconded by Councilmember Carrington. The motion carried.

Library Board Appointment. Mr. George Lokey was appointed to replace Mr. Preston Newton for a (3) year term. That term will expire June 2009.

Councilmember Usry moved to accept the appointment to the Library Board. There was a second by Councilmember Wiley. The motion carried.

Discussion Items

The Thomson Big Creek Water Treatment received recognition as 1 of 20 outstanding plants for the GA Area Wide Optimization Program for 2005.

The Governor's Office of Highway Safety has awarded the City of Thomson \$5,000 in incentive bucks for the Police Department's participation's in the Click It or Ticket" and "100 Days of Summer Heat" Program. The money will be used to purchase equipment.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00p.m.

Dianne L. Landers
City Clerk