

The Council of the City of Villa Rica met in a regular scheduled meeting on Tuesday, October 5, 2010 in the Council Chambers at 101 Main Street, Holt-Bishop Justice Center, Municipal Courtroom. Those present were Mayor J Collins; Council members Rusty Dean, Verland Best, Woody Holland, Patrick Henrickson and Shirley Marchman; City Manager Larry Wood, and City Attorney David Mecklin. Approximately 48 people were in attendance.

Collins called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The invocation was given by Councilwoman Verland Best. All recited the pledge of allegiance.

Approval of minutes for Called Council Meeting, September 7, 2010 were presented. Marchman made motion to approve minutes/Dean seconded. 5/0 motion passed.

Financial update was present by City Manager, Larry Wood. For Current month: Cash Accounts, \$7.6 million; General Fund Revenues, \$269,624; General Fund Expenditures, \$596,968; Water/Sewer Revenues, \$444,792; Water/Sewer Expenditures, \$260,401; Capital Project Expenditures, \$24,062 SPLOST Capital Expenditures, \$114,932. Year-to-Date: General Fund Revenues, \$1,901,423; General Fund Expenditures, \$3,903,154; Water/Sewer Revenues, \$2,530,398; Water/Sewer Expenditures, \$2,159,193; Capital Project Expenditures, \$606,672; SPLOST Capital Expenditures, \$703,681.

General fund revenues, under budget \$59,752 YTD with LOST receipts up from last month but under budget \$1,567 YTD. All departments continue to run under budget.

Currently have five (5) vacant positions: Water Treatment Plant Operator, Library Manager, Recreation Maintenance; Utility Distribution laborer; and Court Clerk.

West WWTP 9 days ahead of two year schedule and should see substantial completion by year end. Project remains under budget, with total earned project to date, \$27.4 million.

Consent Agenda Items – Wood explain that is a new item on the agenda and will represent payments over \$5000 that were originally approved in the budget and will be presented to council as one item with one vote. Holland asked what happened if we need discussion on one, Wood stated you could pull item off list and discuss and vote on that item separately. Mayor asked if this referred only to items that do not exceed the originally approved cost, Wood confirmed it would only contain items that are at or lower than approved cost.

Old Business

Villa Rica Library Advisory Board member to be sworn in were unable to attend council meeting and will be sworn in my Mayor at the next Library Board meeting.

Purchasing Policy updates, as requested at the September 7 council meeting, were presented by Smith to the mayor and council. Holland made motion to approve with changes specified for item #3 – items over \$5000.00 approved in budget and not going over budgeted amount does not need to come before council, city manager can approve; item #4 – any item or project over the amount of \$50,000.00 will be advertised as a sealed bid/Dean seconded, 5/0, motion carried.

Water Loss Report was present by City Manager who stated that after having a meeting with an EPA representative it was determined that the problem with the numbers was most likely with the meters. Next Thursday an electrician will be coming to calibrate these meters and after that we should have some better numbers for you

New Business

Water Treatment Plant replacement/upgrades discussion was opened by City Manager who asked Fred Hawkins with RMA to explain to council what he found upon inspections of this site. Items on his list: roof holding water; brick buckling; shifted cap block wall; cap block dislodged; Cracks in exterior wall, settlement under walk-no dirt under walk in certain areas or steps; settling of expansion joint; deteriorating concrete wall at settling basin; walks and steps with major cracks and deteriorating concrete; concrete flaking off ceiling and walls in pump room; beginning buckling of column in filter room. After giving options council felt they needed time to assess this project and to discuss in detail and asked that a work session be set up.

Landscape Plans for Waste Water Plant was presented by Jeff Reese who presented a conceptual drawing of the plant layout with detailed listing of names of plants and trees. Wood stated we had an allowance of \$30,000 for this project, Reese spent \$1,000 for upgrading his computer program. Reese stated with plants and work the total cost should be approximately \$15,000. Holland made motion to approve design and cost/Henrickson seconded, 5/0, motion carried. (NOTE: Mayor stepped out of meeting at 7:50pm; Mayor Pro Tem Holland took over the meeting. The Mayor returned to meeting at 7:55pm and resumed responsibility for meeting.)

Freeman present to council CU-03-10 – James Butler of Villa Rica, GA, requests a Conditional Use, 309 Elm Drive, parcel number V05-015-0073, Land Lot 161 of the 6th District in Carroll County for the purpose of keeping poultry for personal pleasure. The property consists of 0.31+/- acres. Ward 1. Zoning Board discussed this item at their September meeting and voted not to approve. Freeman stated conditions for this property should council choose to approve. Neighbors of Mr. Butler came forward to support a positive vote for this request and stated there were no problems with the chickens and had no problem with them being on his property. Holland made motion to approve with conditions stated by Community Development Director/Dean seconded, 4/1 (Henrickson), motion carried.

CU-04-10 - Abundance of Life Fellowship of Villa Rica, GA requests a Conditional Use for property located at 885 W. Highway 78, Suite D, parcel number V0-2-007-0173, in Land Lot 164 of the 6th District, in Carroll County, for the purpose of a church. The property consists of 2.07+/-acres. Ward 2. Planning Commission heard this request and recommended approval. Dean made motion to approve/Marchman seconded, 5/0, motion carried.

Alt-02-10 – The City of Villa Rica, of Villa Rica, GA, request an amendment to the Mirror Lake Planned Development for the property located at 1881 Stockmar Road, Parcel No. 0206-025-0010, in Land Lot 206 of the 2nd District, in Douglas County, for the purpose to allow for an animal exhibit or petting zoo. The property consists of 29/35+/-acres. Ward 4. Freeman explained the 3 possible solutions to the animal exhibit. One was (#3) in reference to City Attorney's statement, stating that the Community Development Director could approve minor changes to a planned development. Dean made motion to approve option #3, recommendation from City Attorney/Marchman seconded, 5/0, motion carried.

2010 Audit Presentation – Frederick Thomas presented highlights of the audit (each councilman and mayor had copy in their packets).

The Solid Waste Franchise was presented by City Manager who stated that this has been looked at for several months. We want to look at numbers for implementing a commercial solid waste pick up and going with one contract for both commercial and residential. We currently have a residential contract which is in effect for the new 18 months (after checking 15 months). We could bid just commercial for one year and after that year then re-bid for both commercial and residential. It could take 4-5 years to totally get all commercial pick up in place because of current contracts them have with individual companies. Holland and Dean voiced their concerns that more information needed to be gathered and to have a work session to discuss this in detail and to have individual form the business to explain operations to council and mayor so they would understand the process better. Wood was also asked to talk to several vendors to gather more information

Consideration of Contracts:

- **Intertech Probation Contract** – Wood presented this contract to council and stated this was a result of the request of the council to have himself and the mayor to work with Intertech to come up with a working contract. Holland made motion to approve/Henrickson seconded, 5/0, motion carried.
- **Penn Credit Corp.-Bad Debt Service Collection** - Cindy – Wood presented and added this was a recommend vendor by GMA and asked council to approve. Holland made motion that correct person to enter into contract with Penn Credit Corp./Henrickson seconded, 5/0, motion carried.

Rindt-McDuff- CDBG-EIP Turano Bakery Sewage Lift Station, Force Main & Gravity Sewer-Wood change order from RMA for Turano Bakery. Council gave RMA verbal authorization to proceed, a written contract was not sign, but RMA has completed the first three (3) items and Wood recommends approval of this payment in the amount

of \$15,100. Holland made motion to approve payment for items 1-3 in the amount of \$15,100.00/Marchman seconded, 5/0, motion carried.

- *Rindt-McDuff- Mirror Lake 10 & 12 Inch Water Line Extension, Phase 2A (Extra Work)* – Wood ask Fred Hawkins with RMA to come forward to explain extra work on this project and noted this was also part of a GEFA Grant. Hawkins explain this grant required that you tie into a 10 inch line but once they got into the project the line was an 8 inch line so we had to replace that line with a 10 inch line which included having to redesign, locate and get a DOT permit. I committed to Eric to only invoice \$ 7,500 but actual cost was more, but because I committed to this amount I am honoring that commitment. Holland made motion to approve payment in the amount of \$7,500.00/Henrickson seconded, 5/0, motion carried.

Payments over \$5,000:

Delta Municipal – 8” HP protectus III fire line meter assembly with radio read - \$9600.00 – Reid
Henrickson made motion to approve/Holland seconded, 5/0, motion carried.

City Update – As part of the City Update City Manager presented (at beginning of meeting) a large check to the Mayor in the amount of \$500,000 from Georgia Department of Community Development for Employment Incentive Program grant. He also told mayor, council and attendees that the Ryan McClain playground was complete this past week with a lot of city staff work plus local citizens working on this project. City Manager will forward remainder of city update to each council member and mayor.

Public Comment

Prissi Sullivan, 207 North Avenue, Villa Rica, GA. Explain that last week the High School has a ribbon for their new facility and wanted to personally thank Councilman Rusty Dean, Shirley Marchman, City Manager Larry Wood and Chief Mansour for sending a representative to the ribbon cutting.

David Sullivan, 207 North Avenue, Villa Rica, GA. Made a suggest to help with the speeders along North Avenue by placing stop signs at intersection of North Avenue and Church Street and at Cheeves Street. He asked council and city to consider placing these signs to assist with this problem. Mayor felt this could be done and ask City Manager to handle.

Hal Paisant, 1032 Overlook Drive, Villa Rica, GA. Continues to have problems with sediment in his water and asked council what could be done to assist with this problem. Being at the end they do not have the force of this water to clear out the sediment. Wood stated that Richard and Ray took samples to Carrollton and found there is algae that occurs naturally and that way to use certain chemicals that will help to resolve this problem. Mr. Paisant stated that the employees at the water plant were very cooperative and pleasant to work with.

Executive Session

Holland made motion to adjourn to go into executive session for the purpose of personnel matters and land acquisition/Dean seconded, 5/0, motion carried. Council went into executive session at 8:00pm.

J Allen Collins – Mayor

ATTEST:

Barbara Daniell - City Clerk