

**City of Temple  
Monthly Council Meeting  
October 2, 2017, 6:30pm  
Temple City Hall**

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 6:0PM by Mayor Lester Harmon.

**Council Members Present:**

Richard Bracknell, Penny Ransom, Todd Rothwell, Howard Walden, Thomas Wallace

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

The invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Lester Harmon.

**Approve the published agenda of this date's City Council Meeting, as presented:**

There was a motion by Councilmember Bracknell to approve the agenda, second by Councilmember Walden. Vote 5-0.

**Public Comments:**

Cassandra Shackelford- She wanted to thank Councilmember Rothwell for the great job he did planning Founder's Day. She suggested that maybe next year there be committees set up to help with the event.

Matt Galey- He is in charge of the Farmer's Market. He said he has been overwhelmed by the community's response and he would like to add more vendors and have a vendor's fee. He asked if they could have the market for the full season. Mayor Harmon stated that his request would be put on the agenda for the November meeting.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**September 14, 2017 Regular Meeting:** There was a motion to approve by Councilmember Walden, second by Councilmember Bracknell. Vote 5-0.

**September 19, 2017 Joint Meeting with the Planning Commission & September 19, 2017 Special Called meeting:** There was a motion to approve both of the September 19, 2017 meetings by Councilmember Walden, second by Councilmember Bracknell. Vote 4-1, Councilmember Ransom abstained.

**Old Business:**

**1. Select a contractor to rebuild a section of sidewalk on Otis Street adjacent to the Temple Elementary School.**

City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that bids were solicited for this project; it was advertised in the newspaper, on the City's website and posted at City Hall. The City only received two bids, one was from Wayne Davis concrete and their bid was only for the concrete, not the project as requested. Public Works Director Dwayne Eberhart stated that the other bid was from TJ Lyle in the amount of \$12,500. He confirmed that this was to complete the whole project, approximately 600 feet of sidewalk and a

curb to divert water. There was a motion by Councilmember Walden to approve the bid ofr \$12,500 from TJ Lyle, second by Councilmember Bracknell. Vote 5-0.

2. Decide on the process for selection of a CPA firm to prepare the 2017 Audit for the City of Temple.

City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that back in 2014, the Council agreed on bidding out for a new CPA firm every five years. He explained that this would be the fourth year with Warren Averett and if they chose to use them again, there would be an increase of approximately 5% over what was charged last year. Councilmember Bracknell said if there were not any complaints, he would make a motion to proceed with using them again, there was a second by Councilmember Walden. Vote 5-0.

3. Updated staff report concerning the City of Temple's activities to reduce the quantity of water purchased from the Carroll County Water Authority that enters this municipality's distribution system through the Rainey Road meter and correspondingly to increase the quantity of water coming into the system through the City's other intake points.

City Administrator Bill Osborne stated that in his last report progress was being made, but since then there has not been much progress. In talking to Howard Ray, most of the water is still coming in from Rainey Road. They plan to get more aggressive which could cause some complaints with the water pressure. They need to get the reduction down from 75% to at least below 50%.

4. Updated staff report on the City of Temple's Code Enforcement position, and possible City Council actions concerning this position.

City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that we looked again for a job description for Code Enforcement, but we could still not find one. We did find that in 2011, 2012, and 2013 there was a job advertised for Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer. He had no recommendation to make on this position tonight

**New Business:**

1. Conduct a public hearing and then consider the request from Grace City Church for renewal of the Special Conditional Use Permit approved on October 27, 2016, for a church to be located in the commercial center in Perennial Park at 104 Perennial Drive, Suites 100, 200, and 800, with a continuation of the same special stipulations. Application by Grace City Church, Inc.

Tommy Adams, the pastor at Grace City Church was present at the meeting. He stated they have approximately 120 members, they are in great financial shape and they would love to continue having their church in Temple. Mayor Harmon stated they were glad they are here. City Administrator Bill Osborne explained that the planning commission recommended that the council approve a three year renewal on the special conditional use permit. City Attorney Mike McCrae asked if anyone wanted to speak out against the special use permit for the church. There was no opposition. Councilmember Bracknell made a motion to renew the special conditional use permit for three years, second by Councilmember Rothwell. Vote 5-0.

2. Request from the Rapha Clinic concerning the requested placement of two modular units to house expanded medical clinic facilities on its property of two acres at 253 East Highway 78.

Dr. Bill Calhoun, board member of the Rapha Clinic was present at the meeting. He explained that they provide low cost dental and medical services to citizens in Temple and they are wanting to expand their services. They would like to bring in two more units of the same size, and the existing building will be removed. Mayor Harmon stated that he fully supports the efforts of the Rapha Clinic. When asked, City Attorney Mike McCrae stated that this does not need to go before the planning commission.

Councilmember Bracknell made a motion to approve the Rapha Clinic's request for placement of two modular units, second by Councilmember Wallace. Vote 5-0.

3. Staff report concerning work on a current Zoning Map for the City of Temple.

City Administrator Bill Osborne reported that there was a follow up meeting of the planning commission on September 19th. During that meeting more questions were raised about agriculture, animals, estate density, and other items that needed to be looked at further. There are still changes on the zoning map that need to be made. At this time, they are going to wait until they wrap up the zoning map before looking at updating the future land use map.

4. Report concerning the City of Temple's November 7, 2017, election.

City Clerk Kristin Etheredge reported that one of the candidates withdrew from the election last week, and there is a new sample ballot in everyone's packet. There will be a Candidate Forum sponsored by the Carroll County League of Women Voters on Thursday, October 5, 2017 at the Temple Senior Center.

5. Staff report concerning the City of Temple's use of LMIG (Local Maintenance and Improvement Grant) funds from the Georgia Department of Transportation: the 2017 projects recently completed and the identification of possible projects to be completed in 2018.

Public Works Director Dwayne Eberhart reported that the LMIG projects for 2017 are complete. This included paving of Sage Street and Rocking D. He asked that council members give him suggestions for the 2018 LMIG project by the next council meeting.

6. Staff report on Fall Cleanup Day on Saturday, October 21, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00pm.

Public Works Director Dwayne Eberhart reported that the Fall Cleanup will take place on Saturday, October 21st. He said there has been a good turnout for this the past couple of years and he will be advertising and distributing flyers this week.

7. Report on the City of Temple's 2017 Founder's Day, held on September 23.

Mayor Harmon thanked Mr. Rothwell for another job well done with Founder's Day. Councilmember Rothwell said that as Ms. Shackelford said during public comments, it was a fantastic day in Temple. He said it was a lot of work and we do need a committee. He came in under budget and estimated about 800 citizens were in attendance. Mayor Harmon said he hope there would be more volunteers next time. Councilmember Walden said that the Optimist Club had a successful day and raised over \$600 in their raffle.

8. Updated staff report concerning development of the City of Temple's 2018 Fiscal Year budgets.

City Administrator Bill Osborne stated that initially a work session was scheduled for October 9th, but we will not be ready for that. There is a schedule of different work sessions listed in the packet and he asked the councilmembers to reserve those times if possible.

9. Report on City of Temple financial reports, prepared by Fiscal Services Consultant Cynthia Geyer.

City Administrator Bill Osborne stated that Ms. Geyer is on vacation, but if they had any questions, they could follow up with her when she returns or talk to him. Councilmember Ransom had questions regarding the audit that the City sends to Bank of America twice a year, she stated she has asked for copies of that for months and wants to see what was sent. She also stated that we haven't seen a check on the 2008 SPLOST in years, yet the account continues to grow. She wants to make sure the current and the new council understand exactly where the City is at.

10. Consider approving the employment of an individual to fill the part-time position of Food Prep/Cook at the City of Temple Senior Center.

Mayor Harmon stated that they interviewed a couple of applicants for this position and he is ready to make his appointment. He asked Senior Center Director Sandra Stillwell if she had anything she wanted to say about Ms. Perkins. Ms. Stillwell said she has been cooking for several years and she thinks she would be best for the job. Mayor Harmon recommended Ms. Rita Perkins for the part time position at the Senior Center. There was a motion by Councilmember Bracknell to approve this, second by Councilmember Rothwell. Vote 5-0.

**Closing Comments:**

**Tom Wallace-** he wanted to thank Todd for his work on Founder's Day.

**Todd Rothwell-** Thanked everyone for coming to Founder's Day. Wanted to remind everyone to register to vote.

**Richard Bracknell-** n/a

**Howard Walden-** asked everyone to pray for the victims and the families of the Las Vegas shootings.

**Penny Ransom-** She wanted to give a shout out to the City of Atlanta. They reclassified marijuana and it was one of the most pure forms of democratic process.

**Chief Lee-** gave out monthly stats for the police department. They had a big month and apprehended three different burglars in process. A large amount of prescription pills were taken off the streets. He commended his officers for keeping the City safe.

**Adjournment:**

There was a motion to adjourn by Councilmember Bracknell, second by Councilmember Walden, Vote 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:12PM.

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Mayor Harmon

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City Clerk