

MINUTES

FORSYTH CITY COUNCIL MEETING

JULY 22, 2014

CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, AND INVOCATION

Mayor Howard called the meeting to order at 6 PM, lead the Pledge of Allegiance, and gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Present for the meeting were Mayor John Howard, Councilmembers Mike Dodd, Julius Stroud, Greg Goolsby, Jimmy Jones, Eric Wilson, and Melvin Lawrence. Also present were City Attorney, Bobby Melton; City Administrator, Thomas White; and City Clerk, Janice Hall was unable to attend the meeting; Ms. Janet Eldridge present in Mrs. Hall's absence.

COUNCIL ACTION ITEMS:

PERSONNEL

Mr. Jones offered a motion to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues. Seconded by Mr. Wilson, the motion carried unanimously and council adjourned into executive session at 6:02 pm.

Mayor Howard called the meeting back into open session at 6:10 pm. Mr. Jones offered a recommendation from the administrative committee to accept the resignation of Mr. White effective July 31, 2014 and to pay Mr. White a three (3) month severance package to include accrued leave. The recommendation was unanimously approved.

Mr. Jones offered a recommendation from the administrative committee to appoint Mrs. Janice Hall as interim City Administrator with same salary and powers as Mr. White was receiving. The recommendation was unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE COMMEMORATIVE NAMING OF A PORTION OF HARRIS STREET AS "PAUL JAMES HISTORICAL BLOCK"

Mayor Howard opened the floor for public comments for or against the commemorative naming of a portion of Harris Street as "Paul James Historical Block". Mr. Howell Newton, Mr. James Green, and Mrs. Rosemary Walker addressed council.

Mr. Stroud offered a motion to designate a portion the portion of Harris Street between Adams Street and Johnston Street as "Paul James Historical Place". Seconded by Mr. Lawrence, the motion carried.

**APPROVAL TO CLOSE JACKSON STREET FROM MAIN STREET TO JOHNSTON STREET
ON AUGUST 22, 2014 FOR MINISTERIAL ALLIANCE FOOTBALL SEASON KICKOFF –
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Mr. Jones offered a motion to approve the street closing as requested. Seconded by Mr. Lawrence, the motion carried.

ADDITIONAL COUNCIL ITEMS:

Mr. Stroud offered a motion to table all remaining items on the agenda until the August 5, 2014 council meeting. Seconded by Mr. Lawrence, the motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Submitted by:

Janice L. Hall, City Clerk