

**CITY OF CLEVELAND  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
AUGUST 13, 2018  
MINUTES**

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**CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

The City Council Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Cleveland was called to order by Mayor Shan Ash at 6:30 p.m.

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Nan Bowen, Annie Sutton, Kevin Stanley, and Bradley Greene.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Kevin Stanley, in favor – Nan Bowen and Annie Sutton and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council voted to approve the agenda for the August 13, 2018 City Council Meeting.

**BRIAN RINDT – CITY ENGINEER**

Mr. Rindt informed DOT is moving forward with phase three of the bypass. Governor Nathan Deal has accelerated the construction due to wanting to hold a ground breaking before leaving office. There has been a significant amount of utilities moved for phase one and phase two with additional plans to move utilities for phase three.

Mr. Rindt has reach a “compromise” with DOT concerning the location of the lift station that serves the jail. When the jail was constructed, DOT assured the city there would be no issue with the location of the lift station. DOT has designed the road in which the slope will not allow access to the lift station. Cleveland ordinances limit the slope of the drive to 15% grade and DOT designed the slope at 17%. DOT will move the drive to the back of the lift station and access will be through the back. DOT plans to advertise in October and let the project in November. The city will receive a memorandum of understanding from DOT for utility aid.

**CHIEF JOHN FOSTER – POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief Foster informed he has moved the three-way stop signs from the Ninth Grade Academy to the Middle School. The Ninth Grade Academy has moved to another location and there is more traffic at the Middle School. Chief Foster will continue to monitor the traffic at the schools.

**GRANT KEENE - CITY ATTORNEY**

Grant Keene, City Attorney, did not have new business to report. Mr. Keene will participate in executive session concerning real estate.

**TOM O'BRYANT – CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

1. **Promotion and Marketing of Cleveland/ White County Area**
  - a. The City has contracted with NextSite 360 to promote and market commercial property development in the City of Cleveland and White County.
  - b. The City is also a member of the White County Chamber of Commerce.
  - c. Both NextSite and the Chamber have been involved in recent efforts to representing our community.
  - d. Both NextSite, the Chamber of Commerce, and Babyland General Hospital are participating in marketing events and promotions to bring visitors and business to Cleveland the White County Community.

**TOM O'BRYANT – CITY ADMINISTRATOR - continued**

Mr. O'Bryant provided emails and correspondence from Next Site 360 and Margaret McLean concerning the efforts to promote Cleveland and White County. Ms. McLean is marketing the area through Southern Living, Atlanta Magazine, Hulu, and Georgia Public Television.

2. The first Monday meeting in September falls on Labor Day. Mr. O'Bryant asked the council if they would like to reschedule or cancel the meeting. Mr. O'Bryant explained there is a good chance the council will need to have a called meeting to review an agreement prepared by GMA's Local Government Services concerning an agreement between the city and North Georgia Network for utility right of way use. On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Annie Sutton, in favor – Kevin Stanley and Bradley Greene, and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council voted to cancel the first Monday meeting for September 3, 2018.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Public comments – Michael Foor, North Georgia Network, informed his company is working on an agreement for utility right of way use within the city. The company has customers that would like to connect. Mr. Foor is asking the council to consider allowing his company to make the connections before an agreement is in place. The city council noted his request.  
*(history note – the city was contacted by NGN July 2017 and was informed of the need for a utility right of way agreement. Mr. Foor contacted the city and informed NGN will not provide services within the city limits if NGN has to sign an agreement. NGN has been aware of the requirement for over a year)*

Debbie Gilbert complained about furniture being disposed in dumpsters.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. The minutes of July 2018 were signed.
2. Bradley Greene wanted to amend the participants of the committee to design the oak Springs School. Mr. Greene feels it is important for Ms. Annie Sutton to be involved with the school project as she grew up in the area and went to the school. On motion by Bradley Greene, seconded by Nan Bowen, in favor – Annie Sutton and Kevin Stanley and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council voted to add Annie Sutton to the Oak Springs Project committee.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION –REAL ESTATE**

On motion by Annie Sutton, seconded by Nan Bowen, in favor – Kevin Stanley and Bradley Greene, and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council voted to enter into an executive session to discuss real estate at 6:51 p.m.

**RETURN TO COUNCIL MEETING**

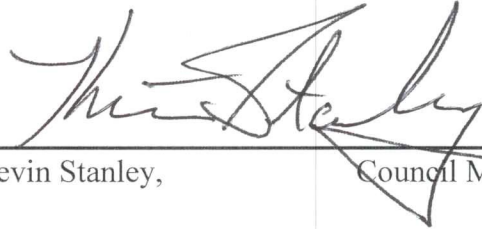
On motion by Nan Bowen, seconded by Annie Sutton, in favor Kevin Stanley and Bradley Greene, and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council voted to return to the council meeting at 7:18 p.m. No further business was discussed.

**ADJOURNMENT**

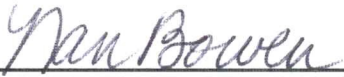
On motion by Bradley Greene seconded by Kevin Stanley, in favor – Nan Bowen and Annie Sutton and carried unanimously, the Mayor and Council voted to adjourn the City Council Meeting of August 13, 2018 at 7:19 p.m.



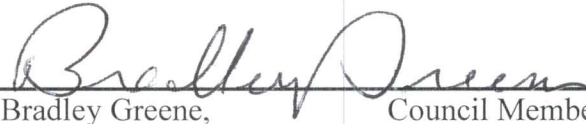
Shan Ash, Mayor



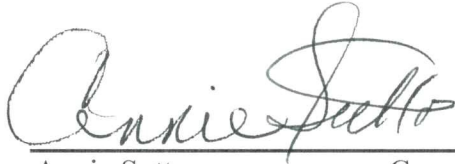
Kevin Stanley, Council Member



Nan Bowen, Council Member

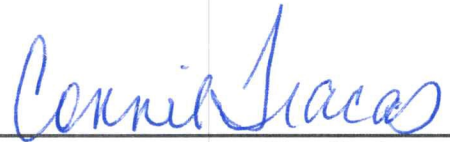


Bradley Greene, Council Member



Annie Sutton, Council Member

ATTEST:



Connie Tracas, City Clerk

