

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 19, 2012  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY CENTER  
7:00 P.M.**

All members of the Council were present, except Councilor Emery; Mayor Stokes presided.

Presentation - Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) Award to the Augusta Police Department by Mr. Greg Small

Public comments were held on items listed on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

READ, FIRST READING

**12-108**

BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, as follows:

That Chapter 18, section 34 Schedule of stop signs, flashing red lights, of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be further amended by deleting the following:

Throughway	Entering Street
South Belfast Ave	<del>Hatch Hill Road</del>

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That Chapter 18, section 36 Schedule of yield right of way signs, of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be further amended by adding the following:

Throughway	Entering Street
South Belfast Ave	Hatch Hill Road

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)

**12-109**

BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, as follows:

That Chapter 18, section 34 Schedule of stop signs, flashing red lights, of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be further amended by adding the following:

Throughway	Entering Street
Sewall Street	Littlefield Street
Winthrop Street	Wyman Street
North Belfast Avenue	Hedgenettle Road
Willow Street	Myrtle Street
Water Street	Laurel Street
King Street	South Grove Street
King Street	South Street

Sherbrook Street  
Green Street  
Middle Street  
Kennison Street  
Pearl Street

Windsor Avenue  
Pike Street  
Caldwell Road  
First Avenue  
Gedney Street

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)

**12-110**

BE IT ORDAINED, By the City Council of the City of Augusta, as follows:

That Chapter 18, section 73 Schedule of no parking, restricted parking areas, of the Revised Code of Ordinances 1990, as amended, be further amended by adding the following:

Weston Street

Parking shall be restricted on the north side from Chapel Street westerly for thirty (30) feet, and from Sewall Street easterly for thirty (30) feet.

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)

**12-111**

WHEREAS, the City Council finds that increasing the likelihood of preserving Augusta's historic buildings contributes positively to Augusta's sense of place and is supported by the 2007 Comprehensive Plan (Volume I, Page 29);

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Augusta that:

Section 6-35 of the Augusta Code of Ordinances be repealed in its entirety and replaced with the attached language.

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)

**12-112**

WHEREAS, the existing section of the Revised Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6, City Services, Article IV Streets and Sidewalks, Division 3, Sections 6-291 through 6-306 needs to be updated to protect the infrastructure of the City streets and other properties.

WHEREAS, the Street Superintendent did work with other City staff, did research what other communities use for street opening policies, did develop a revised street opening policies and now recommends the adoption of this revised Chapter 6, City Services, Article IV Streets and Sidewalks, Division 3 of the Revised Code of Ordinances.

BE IT ORDAINED, That sections 6-291 to 6-299, 6-301 to 6-304 and section 6-306 of Chapter 6, City Services, Article IV Streets and Sidewalks, Division 3 Excavations of the Revised Code of Ordinances be deleted.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That these deleted sections be replaced with a new section added to the Revised Code of Ordinances that shall read:

**Sec. 6-299 Excavation and Street Opening permit required**

All excavations within the public rights of way shall require an Excavation and Street Opening permit issued by the Department of Public Works prior to performing any work in the public right of way. All fees, work and other requirements shall conform to the City of Augusta's Excavation and Street Opening Policy.

(FIRST READING, NO VOTE TAKEN)

**NEW BUSINESS**

**READ AND PASSED**

**12-093**

ORDERED, That the minutes of the City Council meetings held June 21, 2012 and June 28, 2012, submitted by the City Clerk be approved.

Motion for passage by: Rollins      Second by: Munson

Yeas: 7;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                 Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-094**

ORDERED, That the Roll of Accounts for the month of June, 2012 in the amount of \$6,803,118.50 be approved.

Motion for passage by: Rollins      Second by: Munson

Yeas: 7;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                 Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-095**

ORDERED, That Scott Milewski be reappointed to the Lithgow Library Trustees; said term to expire on July 5, 2015.

Motion for passage by: Rollins      Second by: Munson

Yeas: 7;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                 Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-096      Mayor Stokes**

ORDERED, That Dr. Kathleen Petersen be reappointed to the Lithgow Library Trustees; said term to expire on July 5, 2015.

Motion for passage by: Rollins      Second by: Munson

Yeas: 7;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                 Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-097**

ORDERED, That Andrew Silsby be reappointed to the Lithgow Library Trustees; said term to expire on July 5, 2015.

Motion for passage by: Rollins            Second by: Munson

Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                  Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-098**

ORDERED, That Susan B. Campbell be reappointed to the Joint Audit Committee; said term to expire on July 5, 2015.

Motion for passage by: Rollins            Second by: Munson

Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                  Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-099**

ORDERED, That Jane Dennison be appointed to the Joint Audit Committee; said term to expire on July 5, 2015.

Motion for passage by: Rollins            Second by: Munson

Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                  Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-100**

ORDERED, That James Goulet be reappointed to the Kennebec River Rail Trail Committee; said term to expire on February 19, 2014.

Motion for passage by: Rollins            Second by: Munson

Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                  Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-101**

ORDERED, That Michael Byron be reappointed to the MMA Legislative Policy Committee; said term to expire on 06/30/2015.

Motion for passage by: Rollins            Second by: Munson

Yeas: 7;        Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                  Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-102**

ORDERED, That the City Council authorize the appropriation of an amount not to exceed \$2,125,655 for energy efficiency upgrades to City Center, Buker Community Center and the Augusta Civic Center facilities.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into a municipal lease purchase agreement for the purchase and installation of the energy efficiency upgrades for a term not to exceed twenty years.

Motion for passage by: Byron                      Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 7;            Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                         Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-103            City Manager**

ORDERED, That in accordance with the City of Augusta Code of Ordinances, Appendix A, Land Use Ordinance Section 5.1.15.1.A.1.o, that the City Council authorizes the City Manager to modify the hours of work of the contractor retained by the Greater Augusta Utility District to clean and maintain catch basins and other infrastructure. Areas of work where modified work hours may be needed are located throughout the City and doing this work at night is beneficial to public safety. Times to be determined based on the Contractor's schedule and approved by the City Manager.

Motion for passage by: Byron                      Second by: Bilodeau

Yeas: 7;            Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                         Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-104**

ORDERED, That the City Council adopt the attached CTV-7 Policies and Procedures as promulgated and recommended for adoption by the Cable TV and Telecommunications Committee.

Motion for passage by: Munson                      Second by: Rollins

Yeas: 7;            Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                         Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-105**

ORDERED, That the City Council approve the establishment of a Dog Park Advisory committee and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the attached Dog Park Advisory Committee By-Laws that provides guidance, and defines the charge of the committee be adopted.

Motion for passage by: Grant                      Second by: Bilodeau

Yeas: 7;            Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                         Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-106**

ORDERED, That the City Manager is hereby authorized to apply for a FY 2012 Firefighter's Assistance Grant in the amount of \$217,958 for thirty self-contained breathing Apparatus.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the five percent local match requirement of the FY 2012 Firefighter's Assistance Grant in the amount of ten thousand, eight hundred, ninety eight dollars (\$10,898) is hereby appropriated from the Public Safety Local Match Reserve.

Motion for passage by: Munson      Second by: Paradis

Yeas: 7;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                 Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

**12-107**

ORDERED, That the City Council authorize a Beer Garden to be held on Saturday, August 11, 2012 or alternative rain date at the City's Waterfront Park and adjacent parking lot.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That the Beer Garden be managed and operated by a duly licensed vendor with all applicable licenses, permits and insurance in place prior to the event and that all servers will be properly TIPS trained and certified.

Sec. 6-300 and Sec. 305 shall remain as currently written.

Motion for passage by: Byron      Second by: Paradis

Yeas: 7;      Byron, Grant, Paradis, O'Brien  
                 Rollins, Bilodeau, Munson

Nays: 0

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara E. Wardwell, City Clerk  
July 19, 2012