



TOWN OF BETWEEN GEORGIA

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Town of Between Council Minutes

October 11, 2022

Meeting Commencement

- **Call to Order**
 - Mayor Post called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **Roll Call Present**
 - Robert Post, Wanda Satterwhite, Bill Boswell, MaryAnn Rivers, and Brian Rubin.
- **Approval of the September Meeting Minutes**
 - Councilmember Boswell made a motion to approve the minutes from September 13, 2022, and Councilmember Satterwhite seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved and recorded.
- **Approval of the October Financial Reports**
 - Councilmember Boswell made a motion to approve the October 2022 financial reports, and Councilmember Satterwhite seconded the motion. The financial reports were unanimously approved and recorded.

Town of Between Updates

- **New Town Hall Project**
 - Information from the surveyor has been forwarded to the civil engineer. The architect has provided an updated project. A copy was provided to each of the councilmembers at the start of the meeting.
- **2022 T-SPLOST**
 - Included in each of the councilmember's agenda package is the brochure detailing the elements of the T-SPLOST program. Walton County and its municipalities held a public forum on October 4th to answer any questions regarding the T-SPLOST program. Only a few citizens were present, but the Chairman's Office answered approximately 10 phone calls with questions earlier in the day.
- **Zoning Ordinance**
 - The ordinance is still being reviewed and formatted. It should be ready prior to the November council meeting for adoption.
- **New Highway 78 Development**
 - The Town has received a request to rezone approximately 8 acres of a 20-acre tract from B-2 (neighborhood business) to R-1 (residential) for the construction of ten (10) single family homes on Nunnally Farm Road between 2071 and 2215 (Parcel C0620156).

- **SPLOST 4 Receipts & Distributions**

- The Walton County Finance Department advised that the 2019 SPLOST project has reached the projected amount of \$60,000,000; notably, there are two (2) years still to go on the project. Because this amount was reached earlier than anticipated, the Town of Between's percentage amount collected from now until the end of 2024 will increase from .3911% to .4724%. If the yearly collection (\$20,000,000) continues, then the Town could receive an additional \$188,960.00, bringing the five-year total to \$423,620.00 instead of \$234,660.00.

- **Georgia Municipal Association District 5 Meeting**

- The GMA District 5 meeting on October 19th has been moved to the Wayfarer Music Hall on Broad Street in Monroe. This change was necessary to accommodate the number of registered attendees.

- **Your Local News Article – Fastest Growing Home Prices**

- An organization called "Your Local News" published an article on September 18, 2022, detailing a statewide survey that was conducted to determine the top fifty (50) cities with the fastest growing home prices in Georgia. Three cities in Walton County were on the list. Loganville was ranked #33 with prices up 30.9%. The Town of Between was ranked #38 with home values rising 26.4% or on average \$90,425.00. Good Hope was the third city in Walton County, and they ranked #44 with values rising 28.4%.

- **State of the Cities Meeting**

- Councilmember Satterwhite attended the State of the Cities meeting last week to represent the Town of Between. It was mentioned that the meeting was informative and well attended.

- **Technology Initiative**

- Councilmember Rubin provided an update on the strategic technology plan. The Town is now ready to invest some of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds on improvements to the technological landscape of the Town of Between. Mayor Post confirmed that the Town recently received the second financial distribution from the ARPA program; now that the funds have been received, the Town is planning to move forward with a software and hardware investment to increase the productivity, security, and efficiency of the Town's business operations.

Public Comments

- In response to Mayor Post's update regarding the active project of modernizing the Town's current zoning ordinance, Mr. Bill Sullivan mentioned that this enhancement was needed, agreeing with Mayor Post that the content in the zoning ordinance was due for a refresh.

Meeting Adjournment

- Councilmember Satterwhite made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Councilmember Boswell seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 pm.