

City of Donalsonville  
Called Council Meeting-December 20, 2016

**Official Minutes**

Mayor Dan E. Ponder Jr. called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM in the Council Chambers at City Hall. Councilperson Tony Buczek then gave the invocation, after which all joined in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Councilmembers present for the meeting included, Mayor Dan E. Ponder, Jr., Mayor Pro Tem Ed Bond, CP Travis Brooks, CP Annie Ruth Callaway, CP Mitch Blanks, CP Tony Buczek, and CP Lindsey Register. Staff present were City Manager Steve Hicks, City Clerk Christina Corvers, Public Works Superintendent Donald Gambrell, Assistant Public Works Superintendent Bert Adams, Public Works Equipment Operator Chris Harden and Probation Officer Barbara Barber. Police Chief Woodrow Blue joined the meeting later. Guests present were Karen Kimbrell, Charles Musgrove and Darius Moss.

Approval of the agenda: Mayor Ponder suggested moving Mr. Ray Cheng's presentation ahead of the other items on the agenda due to the individuals who are joined via video conference for the presentation. CP Buczek made a motion to approve the agenda with the change, CP Callaway made a second; motion carried.

APPEARANCES: Mr. Ray Cheng then gave a detailed presentation of the current status on the SoZo project. Afterwards, Mr. Cheng opened the floor up for comments and questions from the audience. Next, Mr. Cheng suggested the City of Donalsonville begin working on the Business Model of the Wireless Internet Project as soon as January 2017. Mayor Ponder then made a recommendation to the Council of composing a committee to design the different aspects of this Wireless Project which will expectantly benefit the City of Donalsonville for years to come.

NEW BUSINESS: City Manager Hicks requested the rescheduling of the regular January Council Meeting from January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 to January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6:00 PM. CP Blanks made a motion to reschedule the January Council Meeting to January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 6:00 PM with CP Callaway making a second; motion passed unanimously.

Next CP Register gave a brief discussion on the City Sewer request which was received by a citizen residing on Macedonia Lane. Afterwards, CP Register requested that in all future projects involving Water/Sewer that the City of Donalsonville examine all prospective methods in order to make the services available to all customers.

Next, citizen Mr. Charles Musgrove asked could he make a suggestion to the Mayor and Council on an issue that was not on the Agenda. CP Blanks made a motion to amend the Agenda in order for Mr. Musgrove to bring forth the issue to the Council, with Mayor Pro Tem Bond making a second; motion carried. Mr. Musgrove requested help from the City of Donalsonville in getting turn signals put in on both Intersections of Highway 84. He stated that he has already contacted the State in regards to this issue and is seeking help from the City to push the issue through. CP Blanks made a motion for City Manager Hicks to send a letter to Department of Transportation requesting the installation of turn signals at both Intersections of Highway 84. CP Register made a second; motion passed unanimously.

With there being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, at 3:42 PM Mayor Pro Tem Bond made a motion to adjourn with CP Blanks making a second, and the motion carried.

ADJOURNED

City of Donalsonville

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Dan E. Ponder, Jr., Mayor

Attest and Certification:

I, Christina Corvers, do here Attest and Certify that  
The above written is a true and correct representation  
of the business and actions conducted during the December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
meeting of the Mayor and Council of the City of Donalsonville.

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Christina Corvers, City Clerk