



City of Roswell

38 Hill Street
Roswell, Georgia 30075

Meeting Minutes Public Safety and Public Works Committee

*City Administrator Kay Love
Mayor Jere Wood
Council Member Rich Dippolito
Council Member Lori Henry
Council Member Kent Igleheart
Council Member Jerry Orlans
Council Member Becky Wynn*

Tuesday, September 15, 2009

5:00 PM

Room 220

**(Immediately following the Administration and Finance and
Recreation and Parks Committee Meeting)**

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m.

Present: 6 - Mayor Jere Wood; Council Member Rich Dippolito; Council Member Lori Henry; Council Member Kent Igleheart; Council Member Jerry Orlans and Council Member Becky Wynn

Staff Present: Kay Love – City Administrator; Michael Fischer – Deputy City Administrator; Police Chief Ed Williams; Fire Chief Ricky Spencer; Julia Luke – Finance Director; Stu Moring – Environmental/PW Director; Janet Liberman – Environmental Programs Manager; Joe Glover - Director of Recreation and Parks; Bob Hulse – Assistant City Attorney; Alice Champagne - Water Resources Manager; Danny Blitch - Grants Manager; Kimberly Johnson - Community Relations Coordinator; Mike Erwin - Strategic Planning and Budgeting; and Marlee Press, Executive Assistant to Council.

Minutes of the August 4, 2009 committee meeting were approved.

As it has been a custom, the meetings began with Public Safety.

Fire

1. Monthly Mutual Aid Report

- *There was discussion of the plan of action to balance mutual aid being given and received between Roswell and Sandy Springs.*
- *Sandy Springs will move their Engine #1 (which is located at Roberts Drive and Spaulding Drive) to Roswell Fire Station #7. This would offset Roswell's lack of coverage on that side of town when our other units (Engine #7 and part of Engine #4's territory) are on call. Roswell will provide housing for Sandy Springs at no charge. This will be Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.*
- *This will be done on a 3 month trial basis to see if it is beneficial to both departments.*
- *Roswell will still provide a true mutual aid response into Sandy Springs when requested.*
- *There will be an Intergovernmental Agreement drafted between Roswell and Sandy Springs. If this works out, Chief will bring the agreement back to M&CC to extend the agreement.*

A motion was made by Council Member Lori Henry, seconded by Mayor Jere Wood, that Chief Spencer's recommendation for the agreement between the two cities on a 3 month trial basis be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: 4 - Mayor Wood; Council Member Henry; Council Member Igleheart and Council Member Orleans

Police

2. Crime Free Housing Update

- *This program is going very well. The PD held their first apartment certification training at the Public Safety Training Center. Additional training sessions will be held to get the other apartment complexes involved.*
- *At Roswell Creek (the old Tahoe Apartments) and Forest Grove Apartments there has been a significant reduction in crime there. Management has worked hard on getting out the troubled people through evictions or non-renewals.*
- *Officer James Pitts has been assigned to this program full-time. He identifies problems, making management aware of these problems and then he works with them to take appropriate action under the lease that they have.*
- *Mayor said part of this program is in the lease that the new tenant signs in which there is a clause that says if they are convicted of a crime, it is grounds for termination of the lease. If any member of their household is convicted of a crime, it is grounds for termination of the lease. This is a National program under "Crime Free Multi-Housing."*

After Public Safety, it went to the Administration and Finance and Recreation and Parks committee and then came back to Public Works.

Since Mayor Wood and Councilman Kent Igleheart left during Administration Finance and Recreation and Parks committee they were not present during the Public Works discussions.

Public Works

3. **Resolution to apply for the U.S. Department of Energy - Recovery Act: Local Energy Assurance Planning (LEAP) Initiative in the amount of \$130,000**

- *This no-match grant would be used for the City to create a well-developed energy assurance and resiliency plan which could be utilized during emergencies and energy supply disruptions. The City will focus on creating a biofuels program energy plan which will explore opportunities for the implementation of new and innovative renewable energy resources for City vehicles and equipment that require diesel fuels.*
- *This grant will provide the financial resources needed to study and create the energy assurance plan. The city is eligible for \$130,000 based on the City's residential population. This grant is specifically for municipalities.*

A motion was made by Council Member Jerry Orlans, seconded by Council Member Rich Dippolito, that applying for this grant be approved for the Regular Agenda and placed on the Mayor and City Council agenda for 9/21/2009. The motion carried by the following vote:

In Favor: 3 - Council Member Dippolito; Council Member Henry and Council Member Orlans

4. **Consideration of compensation for easements for property owners on South Atlanta Street and guidance for other properties**

- *The city is in the process of doing a waterline replacement project on South Atlanta Street and Transportation is also looking at a new alignment for the removal of the reversible lanes. The idea was to go in to acquire the right of way to allow for the Transportation project so Public Works has designed the waterline replacement with that in mind.*
- *There have been some challenges that staff has diligently been working with the property owners. There are some properties that don't require the city to obtain an easement. This waterline project does have an impact on a few of the businesses and staff recommended compensation to those properties. There are a few businesses who have no specific justification or basis for being compensated for their property other than they believe there is value in that property. Staff has been working with Legal about options for those properties.*
- **COMMITTEE ACTION: Committee approved the \$5000 compensation for business interruption. Staff will continue negotiating for the easements with the other remaining properties needed.**

5. **City of Milton becoming a partner in the Roswell Recycling Center**

- *This was discussed at the last committee and there were some questions about the costs and revenues.*
- *Janet Liberman has continued to have discussions with staff from the City of Milton.*
- *Stu Moring said the Mayor had expressed that there was some discussion at the North Fulton Mayor's Association meeting about the use of the center and that some of the other cities were generally agreeable to the idea of per capita although nothing was actually settled. They thought that was the most equitable way to do it and manage it.*
- *Staff said one of the suggestions that Milton is proposing, is they would pay the membership fees for their residents who are interested in utilizing the Recycling Center if Roswell establishes a fee structure for the use of the center. Since Milton is in their budget discussions now, they are interested in trying to come to some resolution before the end of the calendar year so they can post this in their budget.*
- *As a consequence to these discussions with Milton, Roswell staff is doing a more in-depth survey of the customers coming in to see where these customers are coming from.*
- *One of the main issues coming from all of this is the proposed fees for non-residents.*
- *Councilman Dippolito said basing the cost on the population of the cities would be the fairest way to do this. He said our costs are fixed so we know what it cost to operate the Center.*

Staff will continue their discussions with the City of Milton.

6.

Fee for nonresidents to use the Roswell Recycling Center

- *Staff did an informal survey of 200 people who were specifically non-residents using the Center. Eighty percent (80%) said they would pay something to use the Center because it is the most comprehensive recycling facility and 20% said they would not pay the fee. Staff said the most popular fee was the \$50 annual membership and \$2 per trip.*
- *There is an average of 2,700 cars/week that use the Center. Of those 2,700 cars, 70% of them are non-residents and 20% are outside of North Fulton.*
- *Staff's recommendation is to hold off on ultimately setting up any fee arrangement deal pending what they find out from the North Fulton Mayor's Association. Stu Moring added that if Roswell can come to an agreement with the other communities, and get payments from them, that is going to be a lot easier to implement than actually charging and setting up an annual fee program. Staff will continue working on this.*

Staff will continue working on this. The Mayor will also be discussing this at the next North Fulton Mayor's Association meeting.

This second committee meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.