

HOSCHTON CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting

MINUTES

August 4, 2008, 7:00 p.m.
Hoschton City Hall

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

A. CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Copenhaver called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS:

Council members:	Richard Green, Post 1
	Jim Jester, Post 2
	John Schulte, Post 3
	Richard Shepherd, Post 4
	Tom Walden, Post 5
	Theresa Kenerly, Post 6
Mayor	William Copenhaver
City Clerk	Kristen Smith
City Attorney	Thomas Mitchell

C. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

Motion made by Councilwoman Kenerly to approve the minutes of the July 7th 2008 Regular Meeting, seconded by Councilman Schulte, with all present voting in favor.

D. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

No discussion.

E. PETITIONS, COMMUNICATIONS, RECOGNITION AND AWARDS:

None.

F. PUBLIC INPUT/DISCUSSION:

None.

G. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES:

1. **Water, Waste and Environmental Services**

Councilman Green stated no new or further information since July 31st Work Session. **Committee Meeting Minutes for 7/31/08 attached hereto.**

2. Fiscal Resources

Councilman Walden stated no new or further information to report since July 31st Work Session.
Committee Meeting Minutes for 7/21/08 attached hereto.

3. Public Works and Properties

Councilman Jester stated no new or further information to report since July 31st Work Session.
Committee Meeting Minutes for 7/21/08 attached hereto.
Map with dimensions of Historic Commons area attached hereto.

4. Public Safety

Councilman Shepherd reported the next Public Safety Committee meeting would be August 19th at 6:00PM.
Committee Meeting Minutes for 7/15/08 attached hereto.

5. Planning & Zoning

Councilwoman Kenerly reported the Planning & Zoning did not meet during July.

6. Business, Commerce, and Economic Development

Councilman Schulte stated no new or further information to report since July 31st Work Session.

H. REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS:

1. Fall Festival Committee

Mayor Copenhaver reported the Fall Festival is coming along.

2. Economic Development Commission

Nothing to report.

3. Historic Commission

Nothing to report.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITY REPORT:

Mayor Copenhaver presented the July Administrative Activity Report, a copy of which is attached in the official minute book.
July 2008 Administrative Activity Report attached hereto.

J. UNFINISHED OR TABLED BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance – Motorized Carts

Councilman Shepherd put the Motorized Carts Ordinance on first read. Shepherd to make necessary changes, as discussed during July 31st Work Session, with the help of Chief Hill. Councilman Shepherd welcomed changes and deletion recommendations from Mayor and Council.

2. Resolution – Fees – Motorized Carts

Councilman Walden questioned the necessity of charging residents a registration fee. Councilman Shepherd requested further comments, questions and recommendations be sent to him.

K. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Ordinance allowing open containers of beer/wine at events as authorized by City Council Resolution

As requested by Councilman Jester, Ordinance was put on first read for further review and discussion. Councilwoman Kenerly confirmed the Ordinance would allow only those with license to sell beer and wine.

2. Resolution authorizes sell and consumption of beer & wine during two evening concerts at Fall Festival, Sept. 26 & 27

Approval of Resolution to authorize sell and consumption of beer & wine during two evening concerts at Fall Festival, Sept. 26 & 27 must follow approval of Ordinance allowing open containers of beer/wine at events as authorized by City Council Resolution.

3. Motion allowing closing of Towne Center Parkway, Railroad Avenue, City Square & Bell Avenue for the Fall Festival - September 26 & 27, 2008

Councilman Walden recommended that City Hall notify every business that would be affected by the street closures. Mayor Copenhaver agreed that a letter would be drafted to notify businesses and residents, which may be affected, of the street closures including dates and times.

Motion made by Councilman Jester to approve the Motion allowing closing of Towne Center Parkway at Police Chief's discretion; and closing Railroad Avenue, City Square & Bell Avenue for the Fall Festival on September 26, 2008 at 6:00AM until late evening of September 27th, seconded by Councilman Walden, with all present voting in favor.

4. Establishment of the Historic Commons area for the permanent display of buildings and artifacts

Motion made by Councilman Jester to approve establishment of the Historic Commons area for the permanent display of buildings and artifacts, seconded by Councilman Shepherd, with all present voting in favor.

5. Approval of relocation of the historic mercantile building (aka Darby Building)

Councilwoman Kenerly asked that the specific placement of the Darby Building within the Historic Commons area needed to be designated as soon as possible in order for the Historic Commission to request final bids on the project due to revised location.

Motion made by Councilwoman Kenerly to approve relocation of the historic mercantile building (aka Darby Building), seconded by Councilman Green, with all present voting in favor.

L. CLOSING COMMENTS:

Deborah Donaldson, Hoschton citizen, addressed Mayor and Council asking for the year-to-date amount of money the city had spent on the scarecrow project. Mayor Copenhaver responded that no city money had been spent on the scarecrow project.

Dianne Blankenship, Hoschton citizen, addressed Mayor and Council asking where she was able registered her security system. Mayor Copenhaver and Chief Hill responded that she should register with Chief Hill at the Hoschton Police Department.

Dave Hill, Hoschton Chief of Police, addressed Mayor, Council, and citizens to announce that the Hoschton Police Department had not been evicted from their currently leased location and that nothing had been served in that regards.

M. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None.

N. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion made by Councilman Schulte to adjourn, seconded by Councilman Walden. Motion carried with all present voting in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen A. Smith, City Clerk

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Attachments in Minute Book

APPROVED:

William Copenhaver, Mayor

Kristen A. Smith, City Clerk

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