

**CITY OF HELEN
COMMISSION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 6, 2016
10:00 A.M.
AGENDA**

1. CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR FRED GARMON
2. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK MARILYN CHASTAIN
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 16, 2016
6. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC
7. ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS
 - A. CONSIDERATION OF ALCOHOL LICENSE OF JETASH M. GANGWAL AND CAROL POWELL OF ARYANA HOTELS, INC. D/B/A HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES, LOCATED AT 8100 S. MAIN STREET, HELEN, GEORGIA 30545 FOR AN ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE FOR , BEER PACKAGE, WINE PACKAGE , AND ANCILLARY TASTING.
8. POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS
9. FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS
10. PUBLIC WORKS, WATER AND WASTE WATER OPERATIONS
11. BUILDING AND ZONING OPERATIONS
12. PURCHASES AND BIDS
13. ORDINANCES; 16-08-01, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA, TO AMEND THE OFFICAL CODE OF THE CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA, BY THE AMENDMENT OF SECTION 62-56; SECTION 62-57; SECTION 6-51; SECTION 6-101; SECTION 6-51; AND SECTION 6-152.
14. RESOLUTIONS; NONE
15. EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSULT WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PERTAINING TO PENDING OR POTENTIAL LITIGATION

16. CITY COMMISSION COMMENTS

17. ADJOURNMENT

THIS AGENDA WAS AMENDED AND POSTED SEPTEMBER 2, 2016 @ 1:30 P.M.
THIS AGENDA WAS POSTED SEPTEMBER 2, 2016 @ 12:00 P.M.
THE MEETING AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND IS NOT FINAL UNTIL APPROVED BY THE
CITY OF HELEN COMMISSION AT THE COMMISSION MEETING STATED HEREIN.

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MINUTES OF MEETING**

The Helen City Commission met on Tuesday September 6, 2106 in the Commission Chambers at Helen City Hall with Mayor Protem Helen Wilkins calling the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

City Clerk Marilyn Chastain called the roll and the following were present; Commissioner Cinnamon Spurlock, Commissioner Helen Wilkins, Commissioner Judy Holloway, Commissioner Jeff Ash. Absent was Mayor Fred Garmon.

Also attending were City Manager Jerry Elkins, City Clerk Marilyn Chastain, Police Chief Brian Stephens , Fire Chief Jody Prickett , Building & Zoning Director Larry Krul, City Attorney Carl Free, Public Works Director Ross Hewell.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA; Motion to approve made by Commissioner Jeff Ash, 2nd by Commissioner Cinnamon Spurlock. Motion approved with a unanimous vote of the Commission present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM AUGUST 16, 2016; Motion to approve made by Commissioner Cinnamon Spurlock, 2nd by Commissioner Jeff Ash. Motion approved with a unanimous vote of the Commission present.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC; None

ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS

A. CONSIDERATION OF ALCOHOL LICENSE OF JETASH M. GANGWAL AND CAROL POWELL OF ARYANA HOTELS, INC. D/B/A HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES, LOCATED AT 8100 S. MAIN STREET, HELEN, GEORGIA 30545 FOR AN ALCOHOL BEVERAGE LICENSE FOR , BEER PACKAGE, WINE PACKAGE , AND ANCILLARY TASTING. Carol Powell was present representing the Holiday Inn Express & Suites. Commissioner Helen Wilkins asked Ms Powell to explain what type service she is wanting to provide if it will be a bar type area or what. Ms Powell replied that they will have individual cans of beer in coolers and bottles of wine that customers can purchase. Also to with the Ancillary license be able to have wine tastings, and to be able to serve a glass of wine to persons returning from the wine tours. She also stated that they do not want to be a bar, and questioned if they would also be able to provide alcohol as part of an inclusion when booking a conference. City Attorney Carl Free stated that serving alcohol is not allowed as a package license, and in order to serve they would need an on premises license and also require them to serve food.

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Motion to table the application until a type of license to allow Hotel/Motels to sell is decided, made by Commissioner Jeff Ash, 2nd by Commissioner Cinnamon Spurlock. Motion approved with a unanimous vote of the Commission present.

City Clerk Marilyn Chastain asked if the Commission was going to refund the application fee and if so could someone make a motion. Commissioner Jeff Ash made the motion to refund the application fee, 2nd by Commissioner Cinnamon Spurlock. Motion approved with a unanimous vote of the Commission present.

POLICE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS; Police Chief Brian Stephens stated the department had a busy weekend and there were no issues as a result of the car show, and that the new body cameras were in and will be put into use after the policy is written.

FIRE DEPARTMENT OPERATIONS; Fire Chief Jody Prickett stated they had responded to a dumpster fire at the new Holiday Inn but there was no damage to the building. He also stated the Bronco was down and not working and that the cabinet for the AD machine at the Biergarten is ordered

PUBLIC WORKS, WATER AND WASTE WATER OPERATIONS; Director Ross Hewell stated the roof of the Public restrooms on Chattahoochee Street had been damage by a trash truck and is waiting to hear from their insurance company, he also stated they had been busy as usual.

BUILDING AND ZONING OPERATIONS; Director Larry Krul stated the cupola at the new Holiday Inn is being redesigned by the owners architect to match the building better than the one that was previously approved, and that he and the Fire Marshall are going to meet on Friday to do an inspection at the Holiday Inn. Another item he discussed is the Flood Plain maps from FEMA are changing and that 34 properties were being removed, but that 33 other properties would be added to the new mapping. He recommended that all property owners attend the upcoming meeting on September 22, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. that will be held jointly with White County in Cleveland. City Manager Jerry Elkins stated that this is important because of the huge impact the cost of flood insurance when required is to the property owner. Director Larry Krul stated the silt fence had been put up at the new Marriott so construction will be starting soon.

PURCHASES AND BIDS; NONE

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SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES; 16-08-01, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA, TO AMEND THE OFFICAL CODE OF THE CITY OF HELEN, GEORGIA, BY THE AMENDMENT OF SECTION 62-56; SECTION 62-57; SECTION 6-51; SECTION 6-101; SECTION 6-51; AND SECTION 6-152. Motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 16-08-01 made by Commissioner Jeff Ash, 2nd by Commissioner Judy Holloway. Motion approved with a unanimous vote of the Commission.

RESOLUTIONS; None

EXECUTIVE SESSION TO CONSULT WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PERTAINING TO PENDING OR POTENTIAL LITIGATION; Motion to go into Executive session at 10:42 a.m. made by Commissioner Judy Holloway, 2nd by Commissioner Cinnamon Spurlock. Motion approved with a unanimous vote of the Commission present.

After the Executive session Commissioner Jeff Ash made a motion at 11:11 a.m. to resume the regular meeting, 2nd by Commissioner Judy Holloway. Motion approved with a unanimous vote of the Commission present.

There was no action taken as a result of the Executive session.

CITY COMMISSION COMMENTS; None

ADJOURNMENT; Motion to adjourn at 11:12 a.m. made by Commissioner Judy Holloway, 2nd by Commissioner Cinnamon Spurlock. Motion approved with a unanimous vote of the Commission present.

RESPECTFULLY PREPARED BY CITY CLERK MARILYN CHASTAIN