

CITY OF KEYSVILLE, GA

A City Where Everybody Is Somebody

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LINDA WILKES, MAYOR  
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Kathy Couch  
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## MINUTES KEYSVILLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Today's Date: June 12, 2023

Meeting Date: May 8, 2023

TIME: 7:00 PM

LOCATION: KEYSVILLE CITY HALL

**Meeting called to order by: Mayor Linda Wilkes.**

**Councilmembers Present: Linda Wilkes, Kathy Couch, Sharon Neely, Maggie Terrell, Harold Kight, Freddie Harden**

**Employee: Sherell Russ, LaTora Lewis**

**Others Present: True Citizen, Jerry Couch, James Neely, Maefield Streetman, Betty Matthews, Kathy Brown, Bobby Powell, Melody Tindal, Andrea Birt, Mary Davis**

**Mayor Wilkes: Welcomed all and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.**

**Prayer: Jerry Couch**

**Absent:**

**Agenda:** Mayor Wilkes asked for the motion to have the agenda approved. Council Woman Kathy motioned to have the agenda approved as order of the day. Council Woman Sharon Neely seconded the motion to have the agenda approved as order of the day.

Mayor Wilkes said the agenda will stand as order of the day.

**Minutes:**

**Corrections:**

**Council Woman Kathy Couch:**

- On the last page the fifth bullet down, (inaudible) in the same bullet think should have an s on the end.

**Councilman Freddie Harden**

- Stated on the same page where it says Councilman Freddie Harden, J&K Oil should be J Lee Oil company.

**Council Woman Maggie Terrell:**

- Mentioned on the front page where it says others present Mrs. Cranin should be Mrs. Cronin.

**Mayor Pro-tem Sharon Neely:**

- Down up under finances Queensboro bank, Wellsfargo. Under the new city business where it says she did understand, it should be did not.
- The eleventh bullet down on the same page., need to finish that sentence off, (inaudible).

Mayor Wilkes presented the Minutes for approval and corrections if there be any. Council Woman Kathy Couch motioned to have the minutes approved with necessary corrections noted. Council Woman Maggie Terrell seconded the motion to approve the minutes. Mayor Linda Wilkes stated the minutes will stand as noted with necessary corrections noted.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Environmental Water:**

**Councilman Harold Kight:**

- Stated there was a water leak at Keys Way and Martin Luther King Jr Road, and he assumes that the leaks are taken care of.
- Maintenance Terry Davis cut the grass in the spray fields.
- Stated that he took a drive down through the sprayfields the day before the meeting, there is some issues that need to be taken care of.
- Asked what is Terry cutting the grass in the spray fields with? Mayor Wilkes responded the tractor.

- Stated the only problem he sees is with field A&B is, there are twelve sprinkler heads in a row and as far as A&B being cut, they look nice.
- The sprinkler heads are loose from the 4x4 poles and that they are just dangling when the sprinklers are in use.
- Stated that sprayfield A has two sprinkler heads that are loose, but sprayfield c, d, e, f, Terry just cut right through the center of them, (gave example of what the sprinkler heads look like) said that the sprinkler heads cannot spray efficient like it needs to be. F field and D field has about ten or twelve 4x4's missing.
- Stated multiple things that needed work on in the spray fields.
- Said that he had a citizen to come down to his place of business to complain about the city sending him a continuous water bill after they have moved out of their home and stated that the citizen moved from his home back in September and was billed a water bill for October and November and that he would pay the bill for October and not November.
- Asked that he get a copy of all the test results when they come back so that he can see what is going on with the city.
- Stated that he asked for a copy of the water report that way the customers would be satisfied.
- Mentioned the grass was cut outside of the sewage plant but not inside the sewage plant. Mayor Linda Wilkes responded the grass does get cut but the lawn mower has been in the shop as well as the tractor.

### Emergency and Personnel:

#### Council Woman Sharon Neely:

- Stated that she spoke with LaTora, and she did go around the city and she did check on the lights.
- Stated that LaTora was saying something about water treatment plant did not have alight there was once a light there.
- Said that she asked LaTora to call Georgia Power to get the light repaired, also Council Woman Sharon told her about the light on Tyrone Brooks Street and LaTora knew the location the light was in.
- Stated LaTora said that she would report those two lights and get back with Council Woman Sharon Neely.
- Stated the council would like to set up a meeting with the staff.
- Mentioned her and the council was planning a meeting for October, but she does believe that Sherriff Williams is trying to do something (inaudible). Said that she did have the resolution and thought that they were going to go back over the resolution, it is the resolution for the parking fee.

## **Building & Housing:**

### **Council Woman Kathy Couch:**

- Appreciated the person who cleaned up the trash on hwy88 said that she did not know who cleaned the trash.
- Inaudible.

## **City Roads and Recreation:**

### **Councilman Freddie Harden:**

- Stated that trees need to be cut across from the store and center street said that he spoke with DOT and he's going to come out and look at it.
- (Inaudible).

Old Business

## **New City Business**

### **Mayor Linda Wilkes:**

## **Other City Business**

Water Clerk LaTora Lewis

## **Finance:**

### **Council Woman Maggie Terrell**

- Queensboro Bank statements April 2023
- Wellsfargo Bank statements April 2023

## **Citizens Complaint/Concerns**

- Jerry Couch was concerned about an accident that occurred in the city on hwy88 and asked about putting signs on the road in the curb so that it may prevent other accidents, or someone being hurt or deceased.
- Mayor Linda Wilke responded that she has spoken with GDot.

### **James Neely**

- Mentioned he has checked the website for the city council meeting minutes and the last time minutes were posted was from November 14,2022 and he feels the citizens should not be left out trying to figure out what is going on with the city.
- Stated that there was an event to occur in the city on April 16,2023 and four people were shot, his concern is that when events occur that he recommends the city has a security officer present and recommend certain idea for the city.
- Concerned citizens meeting Monday @6:00.

## **New Business:**

## **Finished Business:**

**Unfinished Business:**

**Announcements/Comments from the floor:**

**Mayor Linda Wilkes asked for the meeting to be Adjourned. Council Woman Kathy Couch made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Council Man Harold Kight seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting.**

**Meeting adjourned.**