

**City of Varnell  
Council Meeting Minutes  
April 23, 2019**

**Members Present:** Mayor – Tom Dickson  
**Council Members:** Bill Caylor, Bob Roche,  
Clyde Williams

**City Administrator:** Mike Brown  
**City Clerk:** Pam Garrison  
**Absent:** Ashlee Godfrey, David Owens

The City Council meeting was called to order at 5:50 pm and a quorum was confirmed by Mayor, Tom Dickson.

Invocation was given by Reverend Brett Bellamy with Varnell Baptist Church. The Pledge to the Flag was led by local Girl Scout, Naomi Jordy, Troop #11622.

**REPORTS FROM CITY ADMINISTRATOR**

City Administrator Mike Brown gave update on the following projects:

- Audit for 2018 is in final stages of completion and hope to have a copy of it at our next council meeting.
- A representative with GA Department of Transportation will be in attendance at the next council meeting to discuss the proposed intersection which construction maybe begin after July,2019.
- Easter Egg hunt was held in Varnell on April 13<sup>th</sup>. It was a great planned and attended event by around 215 people. Special thanks to Larry and Jada Chastain and also Bob and Judiann Roche.
- Whitfield County has completed taking down the light poles at the Varnell ball fields.
- Our next City Council meeting will be May 21, 2019.

**AGENDA, MINUTES AND FINANCIAL REPORT**

A motion was made by Bill Caylor to approve the Agenda, Minutes and Financial Report for March 19, 2019 and Minutes for April 9, 2019. The motion was seconded by Clyde Williams and the motion was carried unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Bob Roche reported that he and his wife Judiann along with Larry and Jada Chasteen worked together to organize an Easter Egg Hunt at the Varnell fields and walking track area on April 13<sup>th</sup> which was a big success.

- Clyde Williams & Chief Lyle Grant presented the monthly public safety report for the month of March 2019, (see attached).

A motion was made by Clyde Williams to amend the budget for \$25,000.00 revenue to DNR/Playground. Bob Roche seconded the motion and it was carried unanimously. This amended budget item will be marked so that these funds can't be used for anything else.

Clyde Williams made a motion to amend the budget to show \$50,000.00 that will come out of expense to DNR/Playground. Once the funds are in place to disburse for equipment, the project will begin and take approximately 8 weeks to complete. The motion was seconded by Bob Roche and carried unanimously.

Ethan Calhoun was present at the meeting to discuss a text amendment issues regarding Unified Zoning. Wholesale Trade, Warehouse and Distribution facilities are only permitted for existing commercial or industrial structures within the C-4 zone district. No wholesale trade, warehouse or distribution facility in excess of 10,000 square feet will be permitted within the C-4 zone district. Clyde William made a motion to change the text amendment regarding Unified Zoning. A motion was seconded by Bob Roche and was carried unanimously.

Billy Vineyard made a public comment regarding re-zoning of this property which will be on the agenda at the next City Council meeting on May 21, 2019. There being no further comments, Bill Caylor made a motion to adjourn. Motion was seconded by Bob Roche and was carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by  
Pam Garrison  
City Clerk