

CITY OF SYLVESTER
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2020 @ 11:00 AM

PRESENT: Mayor Charles Jones; Councilmembers Mark Giddens, Walter Dupree, Isaac Jackson, Jr.; Lester Castellow, City Attorney; Carolyn Williams, City Clerk.

CONFERENCE CALL: Autron Hayes, City Manager

ABSENT: Councilman Larry Johnson

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Charles Jones

SUBJECT:

1) Road Abandonment (Sheppard Circle-Housing Authority)

2) Beer/Wine/Alcohol License Renewals

Swati Goyal-Sylvester Food Mart Yuliana Barradas-El Metate Restaurant

ROAD ABANDONMENT – SHEPPARD CIRCLE

Mayor Jones called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. He stated this meeting was necessary to address the two items above, but mainly the request from the Housing Authority to abandon Sheppard Circle. Attorney Norman Crowe was present to act as their legal Counsel. Mayor Jones asked Attorney Castellow to present the case.

Attorney Castellow explained the City was asked to abandon Sheppard Circle as part of the public road system, and it was legally advertised according to Ordinance. He pointed out the process of abandoning a road in the public road system. It was discovered the property was already deeded to the Housing Authority some years ago.

Attorney Crowe told the Council upon his research, there was never a street named Sheppard Circle on the Municipal Street System map; therefore, no utilities are underground that would be affected. Mr. Crowe presented documents covering several prior years that shows no street on this property. He explained a Resolution is required by the City affirming that there is no road on this property which would satisfy the lending institution and allow for the loan to the Housing Authority.

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On Motion by Councilman Giddens, seconded by Councilman Dupree, the Council voted unanimously to abandon Sheppard's Circle as part of the public road system of Sylvester pursuant to Official Code of Georgia Section 32-7-2(c) and pursuant to Section 82-3 of the Sylvester Code of Ordinances, provided that this abandonment is not intended to relinquish the City's rights to maintain utilities in the area of Sheppard's Circle **3-0 Motion Carries**

BEER/WINE/ALCOHOL RENEWALS

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Mayor Jones asked for a motion to approve the two above renewals for 2021

Councilman Jackson moved to approve the two renewal licenses and it was seconded by Councilman Dupree – **Motion Carries-3-0**


Councilman Giddens motioned to adjourn and a second was offered by Councilman Dupree – **3-0 Motion Carries**

The Called Meeting was duly adjourned by Mayor Jones at 11:20 AM.





Charles Jones, Mayor



Carolyn Williams, City Clerk