



# TOWN OF BETWEEN GEORGIA

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## Town of Between Council Minutes

February 8, 2022

### Commencement

- **Call to Order** - Mayor Post called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **Roll Call Present** - Robert Post, Wanda Satterwhite, Mary Ann Rivers, Bill Boswell, Brian Rubin.
- **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes** - Motion was made by Councilmember Boswell to approve the minutes for December 14, 2021, and Councilmember Rubin seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved and recorded.
- **Approval of Financial Reports** - Motion was made by Councilmember Boswell to approve the December 2021 financial reports and Vice Mayor Satterwhite seconded the motion. The financial reports were unanimously approved and recorded.

### Planning & Zoning

- **Approval of #A 2022-001** – Annexation of 19.04 acres, GA10/US78 at Rosewood Circle; Parcels C06101330DP & C0610133; Rosewood Development Company, LLC. Town of Between, Georgia. Kris Rosendahl of Rosewood Development Company made an opening statement at the podium. Mayor Post asked if any members of the public had any questions or comments about the proposed annexation. Renee Unterman asked if she could make a comment in response to the proposed annexation; Ms. Unterman stated that she was not opposed to the proposed annexation; she is opposed to how the drainage and runoff is being handled, citing that silt is coming into the 4-acre lake on her property, which is adjacent to where Rosewood Development is performing construction. Kris Rosendahl responded to Ms. Unterman's comments and said that he has done everything that Walton County has asked him to do, stating that no silt is going onto her property and that muddy rainwater could occur. Ms. Unterman said that the issue is that there is not a retention pond on the other side of Kris Rosendahl's property, which is what she claimed is causing the runoff to enter her lake. Ms. Unterman stated she has made financial investments to preserve her lake, and she is considering taking legal action against multiple entities, citing that her fish have died as a result of the drainage to the lake. After several debates back and forth between Ms. Unterman and Kris Rosendahl, the Council voted on the annexation request. Motion was made by Councilmember Rubin to approve annexation, and Councilmember Boswell seconded the motion. The annexation was unanimously approved and recorded. (**Note:** The run off issue began several years ago when Walton County began construction of the Ayer's Park Splash Park and the contractor failed to maintain the runoff control devices.)
- **Approval of #Z 2022-100** – Rezone 24.55001 acres from B2 to PBD for a planned business development; Owner/Applicant: Kris Rosendahl; Rosewood Development Company, LLC. The Property is located on GA10/US78 at Rosewood Circle. Map/Parcels C0610133DP & C0610133. Town of Between, Georgia. Motion was made by Councilmember Boswell to approve annexation, and Vice Mayor Satterwhite seconded the motion. The rezoning was unanimously approved and recorded.

## **Town Updates**

- Four (4) bids were received for the new Town Hall project in late 2021. All of the bids exceeded the budgeted funds. The bids were rejected by the Council at a previous meeting, Mayor Post mentioned possibly renovating the existing Town Hall or building a new Town Hall on the current site. Mayor Post mentioned that research has started on the possibility of building a new structure on the same property; Mayor Post has recently spoken with several companies to get some ideas. Mayor Post stated that more information would be coming in future Council meetings as the conversations unfold.
- Regarding the Walton County and Municipalities Comprehensive Plan, the fifth Zoom meeting was held with NEGRC regarding the preparation of the Comprehensive Plan. The topic was broadband Internet and recreation. Mayor Post stated how the majority of the Town was covered with available broadband options, and he also stated that with the new Splash Park being located one (1) mile from Town Hall, there was no need for additional funds to be used for more parks in Between.
- Vice Mayor Satterwhite and Mayor Post attended the GMA sponsored Local Option Sales Tax (LOST) training class on the renegotiation of the LOST sales tax program. The meeting was held in Nicholson, Georgia at the City Hall.
- Regarding the ordinance for providing the Regulation of Signs and Street Graphics within the jurisdiction of the Town of Between, the second reading of the draft ordinance was presented. Councilmember Boswell made a motion to approve, and Councilmember Rivers seconded. All agreed, and it was passed.
- Regarding the ordinance for the establishment of a Town of Between Jurisdictional Letter of Compliance program and the associated fee structure, the second reading of the draft ordinance was presented. Mayor Post read the proposed fee structure and asked for a motion from Council to approve the ordinance. Councilmember Boswell made a motion to approve, and Vice Mayor Satterwhite seconded. All agreed, and it was passed.

## **Public Comments**

- Bill Sullivan asked Mayor Post why a fee was needed for the duties associated with the Letter of Compliance program. Mayor Post mentioned that there is a significant amount of research and time involved in the creation of each Compliance Letter. Mayor Post also stated that other jurisdictions in Walton County charge a much higher rate for this same process.
- Renee Unterman mentioned that some parts of the new land that was just annexed into the Town of Between will not have broadband connectivity. The comment was acknowledged and documented.
- Vice Mayor Satterwhite made a motion to adjourn, and Councilmember Rivers seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 8:04pm.