



**SUMMARY OF ACTIONS**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE VALDOSTA CITY COUNCIL**  
5:30 PM Thursday, May 8, 2014  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL

**1. Opening Ceremonies**

- a) Call to Order - **Mayor John Gayle called the meeting to order. Councilman Joseph “Sonny” Vickers was absent.**
- b) Invocation - **The invocation was given by Pastor Winston Taylor, Grace Fellowship Seventh Day Adventist Church.**
- c) Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

**2. Awards and Presentations**

- a) Consideration of the May, 2014 Employee of the Month Award (Sgt. Douglas Bennett, Fire Department). - **Fire Chief Freddie Broome presented the May, 2014 Employee of the Month Award.**

**3. Minutes Approval**

- a) Valdosta City Council - Regular Meeting - Apr 24, 2014 5:30 PM - **Approved (6-0 Vote)**

**4. Public Hearings**

- a) Consideration of an Ordinance for a Conditional Use Permit to allow a designated recycling center in an M-2 zoning district as requested by Charles Cowart and Robbie Attaway (File No. CU-2014-02). The property is located at 2325 West Savannah Avenue. The Greater Lowndes Planning Commission reviewed this request at their April regular meeting and recommended tabling the request for one month (6-0 vote). - **Approved (6-0 Vote) with the following condition: (1) A minimum 6’ tall opaque fence shall be installed along the southern property line, and northward from there a distance of at least 300’ along the eastern and western property lines.**
- b) Consideration of an Ordinance for a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) to allow for a minor automotive repair and maintenance facility in a Community-Commercial (C-C) zoning district as requested by Langdale Ford (File No. CU-2014-03). The property is located at 410 North Patterson Street. The Greater Lowndes Planning Commission reviewed this request at their April Regular Meeting and recommended approval with conditions (6-0 vote). - **Approved (6-0 Vote) with the following conditions: (1) Conditional Use approval shall be granted for a Minor Automotive Repair and Maintenance facility in accordance with the LDR’s supplemental standards for such use. Building designs for either renovation or new construction shall be as approved by the Historic Preservation Commission. (2) Conditional Use approval shall expire after 2 years if no building permits for this use (renovation or new construction) have been requested by that date.**

**5. Boards, Commissions, Authorities, and Advisory Committees**

- a) Consideration of an appointment to the Greater Lowndes Planning Commission. – **Reappointed Johnny Ball to serve a term of five years.**
- b) Consideration of an appointment to the Hospital Authority of Valdosta-Lowndes County. - **Reappointed Sam Allen to serve a term of five years.**
- c) Consideration of appointments to the Keep Lowndes-Valdosta Beautiful Board. - **Reappointed Carl Onyeka and appointed Lindsay Ray to serve a term of three years.**
- d) Consideration of appointments to the Public Art Advisory Committee. – **Appointed Robin Fretti (LVAC Member at Large), Angela Crance (Community At Large), and Raymont Burke (Community At Large) to serve a term of three years.**
- e) Consideration of an appointment to the Valdosta Historic Preservation Commission. – **Appointed Gayle Golden to fill the unexpired term of James E. “Jed” Douglas.**
- f) Consideration of an appointment to the Valdosta Housing Authority (Resident Appointment). – **Appointed DeShonda Jenkins to serve a one year term as the Resident Appointment.**
- g) Consideration of appointments to the Valdosta Housing Board of Adjustments & Appeals. – **Appointed Rouse Vallotton, II and Barbara Cunningham to serve a term of three years.**
- h) Consideration of an appointment to the Valdosta-Lowndes County Airport Authority. – **Appointed Herman “Hap” Ertlschweiger, Jr. was appointed to serve a term of four years.**
- i) Consideration of an appointment to the Valdosta-Lowndes County Parks & Recreation Authority. – **Tabled the appointment for 60 days and re-advertise (6-0 Vote).**
- j) Consideration of an appointment to the Valdosta-Lowndes Co. Zoning Board of Appeals. – **Reappointed Allan Strickland to serve a term of three years.**

**6. City Manager's Report**

**7. Council Comments**

**8. Citizens to be Heard**

**9. Adjournment – The Regular Session was adjourned at 6:43 p.m. to enter into Execution Session for the purpose of discussing real estate and litigation. Mayor Gayle reconvened Regular Meeting of the Valdosta City Council at 7:14 p.m. and stated that action was taken on two items in Executive Session on real estate. Mayor Gayle**

**entertained a motion for the purchase of a lot on West Hill Avenue for \$8,200. - Approved (6-0 Vote). Mayor Gayle entertained a motion for the purchase of an easement on Dukes Bay Canal in the amount of \$22,500. - Approved (6-0 Vote). The Regular Session was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.**