



**CITY OF FLOWERY BRANCH**  
**VOTING SESSION**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**September 19 2007, 9:30 am**



**OPEN MEETING:**

Mayor Hirling opened the meeting at 9:45 am.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mayor Diane Hirling, Council Members Jim Herold, Pat Zalewski, Mary Jones and Allen Bryans. Also in attendance were City Manager Bill Andrew, City Clerk Melissa McCain, City Planner James Riker, and City Attorney Ron Bennett.

**ABSENT:**

Councilwoman Jan Smith

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

[2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Ordinance 369 – An Ordinance to fix the Ad Valorem Tax Rate for the City of Flowery Branch for the year 2007 and the 2007/2008 fiscal year](#)

Attorney Bennett read Ordinance 369.

There was a motion made to approve Ordinance 369 as presented.

MOTION: Jim Herold  
SECOND: Pat Zalewski  
AYES: Mary Jones, Pat Zalewski, Jim Herold and Allen Bryans  
NAYES: None  
Motion carried

**NEW BUSINESS:**

[Approval of September 5, 2007 Public Hearing Meeting Minutes](#)

There was a motion made to approve the September 5, 2007 Public Hearing Minutes as presented.

MOTION: Jim Herold  
SECOND: Allen Bryans  
AYES: Mary Jones, Pat Zalewski, Jim Herold and Allen Bryans  
NAYES: None  
Motion carried

[Approval of September 5, 2007 Special Called Work/Voting Session Meeting Minutes](#)

There was a motion made to approve the September 5, 2007 Special Called Work/Voting Session Meeting Minutes as presented.

MOTION: Pat Zalewski  
SECOND: Mary Jones  
AYES: Mary Jones, Pat Zalewski, Jim Herold and Allen Bryans  
NAYES: None  
Motion carried

[1<sup>st</sup> Reading Ordinance 348-4 - Request to amend Article 9 "Residential Zoning Districts" as it relates to Table 9.2 "Dimensional Requirements for Nonresidential Zoning Districts." On behalf of Lakeside Hospitality LLC](#)

City Planner Riker reviewed the request.

Attorney Bennett read Ordinance 348-4.

There was a motion made to approve the first reading of Ordinance 348-4.

MOTION: Allen Bryans  
SECOND: Mary Jones  
AYES: Mary Jones, Pat Zalewski, Jim Herold and Allen Bryans  
NAYES: None  
Motion carried

\*\*It was noted that this item would be presented at the October 3, 2007 City of Flowery Branch Special Called Work/Voting Session Meeting for a second reading and final approval.

[1<sup>st</sup> Reading Ordinance 370 – Annexation of Avery Dennison Property located at 4350 Avery Drive.](#)

Planner Riker reviewed the request.

Attorney Bennett read Ordinance 370.

There was a motion made to approve the first reading of Ordinance 370.

MOTION: Allen Bryans  
SECOND: Jim Herold  
AYES: Mary Jones, Pat Zalewski, Jim Herold and Allen Bryans  
NAYES: None  
Motion carried

\*\*It was noted that this item would be presented at the October 3, 2007 City of Flowery Branch Special Called Work/Voting Session Meeting for a second reading and final approval.

[1<sup>st</sup> Reading Ordinance 371 – Rezoning of the Avery Dennison Property located at 4350 Avery Drive](#)

Planner Riker reviewed the request.

Attorney Bennett read Ordinance 371.

There was a motion made to approve the first reading of Ordinance 371.

MOTION: Jim Herold  
SECOND: Allen Bryans  
AYES: Pat Zalewski, Allen Bryans, Mary Jones and Jim Herold.  
NAYES: None  
ABSTAIN: Allen Bryans  
Motion carried

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**CITY MANAGER REPORT:**

[Increase water/sewer rates by 20%. Effective October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 – Will appear on November bills as the City bills a month behind](#)

City Manager Andrew advised the Council that as of October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 the sewer and water rates would be increasing 20%. This increase is mandated per the bond the City holds for the last upgrade to the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Manager Andrew further advised that he was currently working with the City Consultant regarding the current water and sewer rates and the possibility of charging master meter base rates and differential rates for outside service areas.

**CLERK REPORT:**

[Consideration of contract to upgrade Xerox Machines in the Planning Department and the Police Department.](#)

Clerk McCain reviewed the current contracts and proposed changes for both leased Xerox machines.

There was a motion made to approve the new contracts for the Xerox machine at the Planning Department and the Police Department and to authorize the Mayor to execute said document.

MOTION: Jim Herold  
SECOND: Pat Zalewski  
AYES: Pat Zalewski, Allen Bryans, Mary Jones and Jim Herold.  
NAYES: None  
ABSTAIN: Allen Bryans  
Motion carried

Elections Recap/Audit

Clerk McCain advised that during the TAD Election on the 18<sup>th</sup> there were 93 votes cast (80 onsite, 13 absentee) 88 votes for the tax Allocation District and 5 votes against the Tax Allocation District.

Clerk McCain also advised that there was an audit by the Secretary of States Office and that there were a few questions and they were corrected while the State Auditor was on site.

**ATTORNEY REPORT:**

No report

**PLANNING, ZONING REPORT:**

Planner Riker reviewed items for the next public hearing.

It was noted that there would not be a quorum for the October 11 Public Hearing. This meeting has been rescheduled for October 25, 2007 at 6:00 p.m.

Planner Riker reviewed the status of the Stonebridge Village Shopping center as well as the progress on the TE Grant Project.

**COUNCIL REPORT:**

No report

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There was a motion made to adjourn the September 19, 2007 Voting Session Meeting at 10:16 am.

MOTION: Jim Herold

SECOND: Mary Jones

AYES: Mary Jones, Allen Bryans, Jim Herold and Pat Zalewski.

NAYES: None

Motion carried.

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Mayor - Diane Hirling

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Date

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City Clerk - Melissa McCain