



**POST AGENDA  
Cochran City Council  
Tuesday, February 14, 2017  
Special Called Meeting @ 7:00 PM**

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*Community House located at 192 South Third Street, Cochran, GA 31014*

**City Council**

Gary Ates, Mayor  
Andrew Lemmon, Mayor Pro Tem (*District 3, Post 1*)  
Charles Cranford, Council Member (*District 2, Post 1*)  
Regina Gooch, Council Member (*District 1, Post 2*)  
Jon Thrower, Council Member (*District 2, Post 2*)  
Fleming Gilman, Council Member (*District 3, Post 2*)

**City Staff**

Richard Newbern, City Manager  
Jill Cooper, City Clerk  
Leo Phillips, City Attorney

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**I. Call to Order by the Mayor**

**II. Invocation**

**III. Pledge of Allegiance**

**IV. Attendance**

**V. Adopt Agenda**

**VI. Agenda Items**

**Failed Item # 1 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider approving contract with Georgia DOT to accept a federal and state grant to help finance City Airport improvements; specifically, crack sealing the runway and erecting a forty (40') foot AWOS communications tower.

**Approved Item #2 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider one-year renewal of contract with insurance brokerage firm, ShawHankins, for employee health benefits with Blue Cross/Blue Shield, Ameritas, and One America.

**Approved Item # 3 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Amend the alcoholic beverages ordinance to either remove or reduce the distance that package beer/wine sales must be from a residence.

**Item # 4 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider appointing a representative to the vacant District 1 Council seat.

**Approved Item # 5 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider approving list of City roads for re-stripping.

**Approved Item # 6 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider approving changes to City bank account signers to add Tracy Jones, Finance Administrator and deleting Jill Cooper, exiting City Clerk.

**Failed Item # 7 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider approving annexation of several government-owned properties into the City of Cochran.

**Approved Item # 8 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider authorizing monthly SPLOST payments to the 2006 SPLOST account.

**Approved Item # 9 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider authorizing rental of ECO Skid Steer mulching head for underbrush clearing on right-of-ways which would be eligible to be paid from TIA funds.

**Approved Item # 10 – Presented by City Manager, Richard Newbern**

Consider extending 1.5 million loan contract with GEFA a period of 90 days from March 3<sup>rd</sup> to June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017.

**VIII. Public Comments** (Please note that every individual who signs up to speak prior to the meeting will be given a total of five minutes to address the Mayor and Council.)

**IX. Mayor Updates**

**X. City Manager Discussion/Items/Updates**

**XI. Council Discussion Items**

**XII. Announcement of Upcoming Meetings and Events**

- Regularly Scheduled City Council Meeting – March 14, 2017 @ 7:00 pm

**XIII. Executive Session**

X A. Meeting to discuss or vote to authorize the settlement of a matter covered by the attorney-client privilege as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-2(1) and 50-14-3(b)(1)(A).

B. Meeting to discuss or vote to authorize negotiations to purchase, dispose of or lease property as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(1)(B).

C. Meeting to discuss or vote to authorize the ordering of an appraisal related to the acquisition or disposal of real estate as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(1)(C).

D. Meeting to discuss or vote to enter into a contract to purchase, dispose of, or lease property subject to approval in a subsequent public vote as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(1)(D).

- E.** Meeting to discuss or vote to enter into an option to purchase, dispose of, or lease real estate subject to approval in a subsequent public vote as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(1)(E).
- F.** Meeting to discuss or deliberate upon the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a public officer or employee as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(2).
- G.** Meeting to interview one or more applicants for the position of the executive head of an agency as provided in Georgia Code section 50-14-3(b)(2).
- H.** Pursuant to the attorney-client privilege and as provided by Georgia Code section 50-14-2(1), a meeting otherwise required to be open was closed to the public in order to consult and meet with legal counsel pertaining to pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the agency or any officer or employee or in which the agency or any officer or employee may be directly involved.
- I.** Staff meeting held for investigative purposes under duties or responsibilities imposed by law as provided by Georgia Code section 50-14-3(a)(1).

**Adjourn**