# MINUTES CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 20, 2018 7:00 P.M.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Mike Eason called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. ROLL CALL: Present were Councilmember Jason Power, Councilmember Mark French, Councilmember Stephen Tolson, Councilmember Caleb Phillips, City Attorney Dana Miles, City Attorney Jonah Howell, City Manager Bob Bolz, City Clerk Beverly Banister, Deputy City Clerk Tracy Smith, Utilities Director Gary Barr, Public Works Operations Manager Trampas Hansard, Planning Director Robbie Irvin, Finance Administrator Hayden Wiggins and Human Resource Manager Donna Blanton.
- 3. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE: Invocation and pledge was led by Councilmember Power.
- **4. ANNOUCEMENTS:** Mayor Eason announced the next Food Truck night is scheduled for September 14<sup>th</sup> and Coffee with the Mayor is scheduled for Saturday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at City Hall from 8:30 am to 11:00 am. Two new businesses in town have opened; Cozy Little Country Store and A Divine Beauty Boutique & Spa.
- APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA: Motion to amend the agenda to delete item #10 Save Clifford 5K Event with Road Closure made by C. Phillips/S. Tolson. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

Motion to approve the agenda as amended made by J. Power/S. Tolson. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

6. PUBLIC INPUT: No comments from the public.

Councilmember Phillips commented on speaking with Sheriff Johnson about providing a uniformed officer at the Council Meetings relating to the Public Input Procedure. Mayor Eason stated the procedure will be modified to include a uniformed officer next City Council meeting in September.

7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: Motion to approve the minutes from the regular City Council meeting and the Executive Session held on August 6, 2018 made by S. Tolson/J. Power. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

### **BUSINESS**

- 8. CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION: Mayor Eason recognized Nalita Copeland for taking on the responsibilities of the entire Planning Department when the department was without a Planning Director and presented her with a certificate of appreciation.
- 9. DAWSONVILLE UMC REQUEST: City Manager Bob Bolz reported Kare for Kids would be interested in leasing the City's property located at 572 Academy Avenue for the use of it during the Moonshine Festival; they also expressed an interest in purchasing the property. Motion to approve a lease to Kare for Kids for \$200 to utilize the City's property for the 2018 Moonshine Festival made by S. Tolson/J. Power. Vote carried unanimously in favor.
- SAVE CLIFFORD 5K EVENT WITH ROAD CLOSURE: Deleted from agenda.

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- 11. EROSION, SEDIMENTATION AND POLLUTION CONTROL ORDINANCE: Planning Director Robbie Irvin presented the ordinance; this is the first reading of the ordinance. Second reading and vote will be at the next City Council meeting on September 10, 2018.
- 12. CONTRACT AMENDMENT ON MAIN STREET PARK: Councilmember Phillips recused himself from any discussion and/or vote on the matter. City Manager Bolz reported on the request for the change order. Motion to approve the contract amendment for Phase I of Main Street Park in the amount of \$81,496 to be paid out of SPLOST VI for the sewer line made by J. Power/S. Tolson. Vote carried 3 in favor (Power, Tolson, French) with 1 recused (Phillips).

## **WORK SESSION**

- 13. MEETING TIMES FOR 2019: Mayor Eason spoke about the current meeting times for 2018 and the possibility of changing the times for next year; he stated it's a good time to start considering the direction the Council wants to take since the schedule will be set in December. Councilmember Phillips proposed earlier meeting times since our meetings are livestreamed and recorded for later viewing; Councilmember Power expressed the same. Councilmember French suggested considering scheduling the work sessions during the day.
- 14. ORDINANCE REVIEW: Mayor Eason spoke about some of the City's ordinances which have not been updated for quite some time. He would like to have staff review the ordinances relative to their departments and report back on what needs to be updated and how long it will take to update; he would also like the fee schedule (Section 2.110) reviewed and updated.

Council will hear a first reading on an ordinance revision relating to tattoo studios and artists on September 10, 2018; second reading is scheduled for September 24, 2018.

Mayor Eason discussed issues staff has been having regarding reconnection for water and sewer which has been shut off due to non-payment; Attorney Miles worked with staff to develop an ordinance revision for the procedure and the fees associated with them. This is the first reading; second reading and vote will be September 24, 2018.

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE UPDATES FOR FINES ASSOCIATED WITH WATER AND SEWER RECONNECTION FOLLOWING DISCONNECTION DUE TO NONPAYMENT OR LATE PAYMENT OF BILL; TO PROVIDE FINE AMOUNTS FOR MULTIPLE VIOLATIONS WITHIN A TWENTY-FOUR MONTH PERIOD; TO PROVIDE FOR A DEFINITE TIME WITHIN WHICH THE CITY SHALL RECONNECT WATER AND SEWER SERVICES WHICH WERE DISCONNECTED DUE TO NONPAYMENT OF BILL; TO PROVIDE FOR REPEALER; TO PROVIDE AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

- 15. CONSENT AGENDA: Mayor Eason proposed a consent agenda format to add to future agendas in order to move through the agenda more quickly and efficiently allowing routine items to be approved all at once.
- 16. SPLOST PROJECTS USES/NEEDS/SCHEDULE: City Manager Bolz gave a presentation updating Council on the progress and anticipated timeline for the implementation and completion of both Main Street Park and the Farmer's Market. Mayor Eason encouraged Council to be thinking about any changes to the current scope of plans they'd like to see incorporated.

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17. IMPACT FEES: Mayor Eason reported Dawson County has passed impact fees and the County has requested the City consider impact fees as well. Attorney Miles gave a summary of impact fees and the types of projects which could be considered with the funding. Mayor Eason stated Council will need to consider over the next few weeks whether or not they will implement impact fees for the City.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

With there being no further business to attend to, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:12 p.m. by J. Power/C. Phillips. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

By: CITY OF DAWSONVILLE

Michael Eason, Mayor

Caleb Phillips, Councilmember

Jason Power Councilmember

Stephen Tolson, Councilmember

Mark French, Councilmember

Attested:

Tracy Smith, Deputy City Clerk