

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 6, 2014
5:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor W. James Grogan called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present were Mayor James Grogan, Councilmember Mike Sosebee, Councilmember Jason Power, Councilmember Angie Smith, Councilmember Chris Gaines, City Attorney Kevin Tallant, City Clerk Bonnie Warne, Public Works Director Gary Barr, Russ Chambers, and Trampas Hansard.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE: Invocation and pledge was led by Mike Sosebee.

AGENDA: Motion to approve the agenda by: C. Gaines/J. Power. Vote unanimous in favor.

MINUTES: Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held December 2, 2013 and the special called meeting held December 17, 2013: J. Power/M. Sosebee. Vote carried unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Administrative Order - Retention Pond: Attorney K. Tallant updated Council that the owner, Mr. Harlan Ridley, had not responded to the administrative order to repair the detention pond. At the last council meeting a motion was made to start negotiations with HOA for no more than 50% that the City will cover of total cost up to \$4000. The Howser Mill HOA will not pay anything to have the repair done. Attorney Tallant repeated options: do nothing, repair and lien property, condemn property and repair, or create a stormwater utility ordinance. The second and third options need an agreement with the HOA on the future responsibility. Motion to table for further discussion at the Feb 3rd council meeting by: J. Power/M. Sosebee. Vote carried unanimously in favor 4-0.

Council Appointments: Mayor Grogan asked Jason Power to be Mayor Pro-tem for 2013 and be the liaison to Planning Commission. Motion made for Jason Power for both appointments by M. Sosebee and second by C. Gaines. Vote carried unanimously in favor.

Streetscape Bid: After discussion on the RFP, a motion was made by Angie Smith to re-do the RFP completely; seconded by M. Sosebee. Councilmember C. Gaines recused himself from discussion due to personal and business relationships with these entities. J. Power motioned to amend the main motion made by A. Smith, to expedite the RFP process in an effort to move the project forward in time for the next available planting season, if possible; seconded by M. Sosebee. The main motion was amended by a 3-0-1 vote, C. Gaines recused. Question was called on the main motion, as amended, which carried in favor 3-0-1, C. Gaines recused.

NEW BUSINESS:

CSI Software Maintenance Agreement Fee for 2014: Motion to approve payment for the 2014 CSI software maintenance agreement fee by M. Sosebee/J. Power. Motion carried unanimously.

Personnel Policy Ordinance Amendment: Attorney Tallant spoke to Council on the first reading of an amendment to the personnel policy ordinance that no one who is a first cousin or closer is in the same chain of command.

Amicalola Electric Ordinance: Attorney Tallant spoke to the Council on the first reading of an Amicalola Electric Franchise ordinance to receive franchise payments of 4% of gross sales.

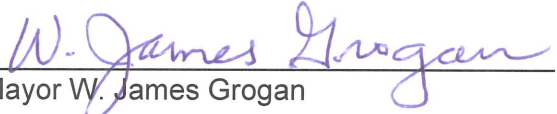
Staff Reports: City Clerk Bonnie Warne informed Council that all the bank accounts are balanced through Nov 2013. The revenue and expenditures are in budget. Gary Barr stated all is well, just watching the cold weather. Trampas Hansard reported that work will begin soon on the sidewalks.

Mayor's Report: Mayor Grogan reflected on the accomplishments of the City for 2013 and the

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change for 2014 of the legal organ of the City to be the News & Advertiser newspaper.

ADJOURNMENT: With there being no further business to attend to the regular meeting closed and adjourned at 5:55 p.m. The motion carried unanimously; J. Power/M. Sosebee.



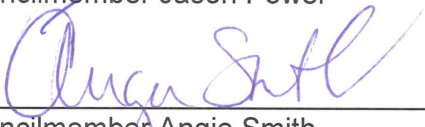
Mayor W. James Grogan



Councilmember Chris Gaines



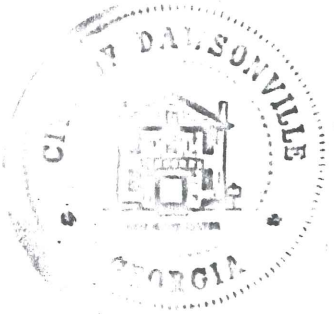
Councilmember Jason Power

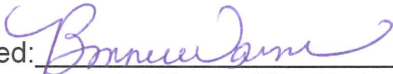


Councilmember Angie Smith



Councilmember Mike Sosebee



Attested: 

Bonnie Warne, City Clerk