

The Mayor and Council of the City of Winterville met at Winterville City Hall for the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, June 12, 2018. Mayor Ferrelle called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Also present were Councilpersons Mark Farmer, Brenda Keen, Mary Quinn, Gary Snow, City Attorney David Ellison, and Municipal Clerk Wendy Bond.

The pledge of allegiance was recited by all present.

Approval of Minutes: Councilperson Snow moved to approve the minutes of the May 8, 2018 regular City Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Quinn. All votes were in favor and the minutes were approved.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

The First Item of New Business: Mayor Ferrelle called for a vote to amend a previous vote. Councilperson Keen moved to reallocate the previously approved funding for the Firefly Trail from the TSPLOST to SPLOST 2011 (PW&I) funding to cover the expense of design work by W&A, Inc. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Quinn. All votes were in favor.

The Second Item of New Business: Councilperson Farmer moved to approve the purchase of a new mower to be used by Public Works. The mower would be purchased from Jerry Pate Irrigation under state contract for the amount of \$7,304.72 funded by SPLOST 2011 PW&I. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Keen. All votes were in favor.

The Third Item of New Business: Councilperson Farmer moved to table the FEMA Hazard Mitigation Plan to the next meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Keen. All votes were in favor. Beth Burgess, from Athens-Clarke County, will attend the meeting and explain it further in detail.

The Fourth Item of New Business: Councilperson Keen moved to adopt the Comprehensive Plan Resolution as presented and read aloud by Mayor Ferrelle. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Farmer. All votes were in favor.

The Fifth Item of New Business: Mayor Ferrelle gave a brief update on the proposed Charter amendment and City Attorney David Ellison gave an explanation of the process for amending the City Charter.

Councilperson Farmer moved to schedule and properly advertise public meetings July 10, 2018, and August 14, 2018, which are the regular meeting dates of Winterville City Council, for the purpose of considering the repeal of Section 25 of the City Charter which "...prohibits the Mayor and City Council forever from granting license in any form to anyone to sell spirituous, vinous, malt, or other intoxicating liquors within said City of Winterville, and the said Mayor and City Council shall have right and authority to pass an ordinance prohibiting anyone from keeping any kind of intoxicants for the purpose of illegal sale within the corporate limits of said city," and in its place would authorize the City to issue licenses and permits for the sale of alcohol in accordance with State Law and any ordinances and regulations enacted by the City. Councilperson Farmer's motion included an additional Public Hearing to be scheduled and properly advertised for Tuesday, August 7, 2018, 5:30 pm, prior to the regular scheduled Workshop Meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Keen, and all votes were in favor.

Committee Reports:

Public Finance – Clerk Bond provided a financial report for the year to date ending May 31, 2018. Copies are available for public review.

Winterville Community Center – JoAnn Snow gave a verbal report on the Community Center.

Police Department – The Police Department has hired a new patrol officer, Joe Amendolar, who retired from Athens-Clarke County Police Department with 22 years’ service and a veteran of the US Navy.

Fire Department – Chief Michael Gabriel stated a new certified firefighter, Cullen Robinson, has joined the Fire Department and Dillon Smith is now a certified firefighter.

Public Works – Tom Doonan reported that someone has vandalized the granite monument in front of the Scout hut, breaking it in half.

Library Report – No Report. The Winterville Branch Manager vacancy has been advertised, and the ARLS is seeking a new librarian. The library celebrated their 44th birthday over the past weekend.

Clerk’s Report – No additional report.

City Attorney’s Report –David Ellison had no additional report.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Ferrelle gave an informal verbal report to the attending public.

Public Comment – Bruce Johnson, a Friendship Place citizen, addressed Mayor and Council regarding the crosswalk on Main Street in front of the Depot. Mayor Ferrelle addressed his concerns and stated the City is aware of this issue and is working to improve it.

Councilperson Farmer moved to adjourn at 7:30 pm. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Snow. All votes were in favor.

Clerk

Date