



CITY OF DAHLONEGA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Date:	January 7, 2019
Time:	6:00 p.m.
Place:	Dahlonega City Hall – Mayor McCullough Council Chamber
Council Present:	Mayor Sam Norton, Council Members Ron Larson, Bruce Hoffman, Roman Gaddis, Mitchell Ridley, Helen Hardman and JoAnne Taylor
Staff Present:	City Manager Bill Schmid, Finance Director Melody Marlowe, Community Director Kevin Herrit, Public Works Director Mark Buchanan, City Marshal Jeff Branyon, Water Plant Supervisor John Jarrard, Supervisor Vince Hunsinger, City Clerk Mary Csukas
Other Attendees:	City Attorney Doug Parks and Downtown Development Executive Director Jan Harris

Summary Vote by Council

Agenda Item to be Voted upon by Council	Approval	Motion
Ordinance 2019-01 – An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 91-9; Section 1504: Outdoor Sales, Storage and Display Prohibited.	Approved -5/0 Unanimous	Motion – Taylor Second – Larson
ORDINANCE 2019-02 -- An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 91-9; Section 1604: Outdoor Sales, Storage and Display Prohibited.	Approved – 5/0 Unanimous	Motion- Hardman Second- Gaddis
ORDINANCE 2019-03 -- An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 91-9; Section 1704: Outdoor Sales, Storage and Display Prohibited	Approved – 5/0 Unanimous	Motion - Larson Second – Ridley
ORDINANCE 2019-04 -An Ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Dahlonega: Sidewalk Food Sales, Section 8-78: Criteria for Granting of the Permit.	Approved – 5/0 Unanimous	Motion – Ridley Second - Hardman
ORDINANCE 2019-05 - An Ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Dahlonega: SPEED ZONES; USE OF RADAR; Granting of Powers and Authority for Law Enforcement Agencies.	Approved – 5/0 Unanimous	Motion – Larson Second- Hoffman
Consideration of Approval for an Alcohol Beverage License for Yahoola Creek Grill- Alcohol, Beer and Wine Consumption on Premises – Nicholas Alicea	Approved – 5/0 Unanimous	Motion - Hoffman Second- Hardman
TSPLOST Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Sales Tax Debt	Approved – 5/0 Unanimous	Motion – Larson Second- Gaddis
Second Amendment to Probation Service Agreement	Approved – 5/0 Unanimous	Motion - Hoffman Second- Hardman

Call to Order

Person: Mayor Norton Time: 6:00 p.m.

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Prayer Leader: City Manager Schmid Pledge Leader: Council Member Taylor

Public Comments

<u>Name of Commenter</u>	<u>Comments</u>
Mr. Dave Causey	Parking issue on Hawkins Street
Ms. Cynthia Causey	Parking issue on Hawkins Street

Conclusion: Mayor Norton stated the Engineering Department will review widening Hawkins street three (3) feet.

<u>Action:</u>	<u>Person Responsible</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Hawkins Street	Director Buchanan	Open	January 17, 2017

Approval of Agenda

Purpose: Mayor Norton called for a motion to approve the agenda

Discussion: Motion made by Council Member Ridley to approve the agenda and second by Council Member Taylor.

Conclusion: Mayor Norton called for a vote of all in favor signifying so by saying aye, like sign for those opposed. The motion carried with unanimous vote in favor.

Approval of Minutes

Purpose: Mayor Norton called for a motion to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes – November 5, 2018, Special Called Meeting Minutes – November 15, 2018 and Work Session – November 15, 2018.

Discussion: Motion made by Council Member Larson to approve the Regular Council Meeting Minutes – November 5, 2018, Special Called Meeting Minutes – November 15, 2018 and Work Session – November 15, 2018 and second by Council Member Hardman.

Conclusion: Mayor Norton called for a vote of all in favor signifying so by saying aye, like sign for those opposed. The motion carried with unanimous vote in favor.

Ordinances

Agenda Item / Ordinance 2019-01 – An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 91-9; Section 1504: Outdoor Sales, Storage and Display Prohibited.

Purpose: Director Herrit stated this is a change in title from Planning Director to Community Development Director or designee.

Discussion: Mayor Norton called for a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-01.

Discussion: Motion made by Council Member Taylor to approve Ordinance 2019-01 and second by Council Member Larson.

Conclusion: Mayor Norton called for a vote of all in favor signifying so by saying aye, like sign for those opposed. The motion carried with unanimous vote in favor.

Agenda Item / Ordinance 2019-02 -- An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 91-9; Section 1604: Outdoor Sales, Storage and Display Prohibited.

Purpose: Director Herrit stated this is a change in title from Planning Director to Community Development Director or designee.

Discussion: Mayor Norton called for a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-02.

Discussion: Motion made by Council Member Hardman to approve Ordinance 2019-02 and second by Council Member Gaddis.

Conclusion: Mayor Norton called for a vote of all in favor signifying so by saying aye, like sign for those opposed. The motion carried with unanimous vote in favor.

Agenda Item / Ordinance 2019-03 - – An Ordinance to amend Ordinance 91-9; Section 1704: Outdoor Sales, Storage and Display Prohibited

Purpose: Director Herrit stated this is a change in title from Planning Director to Community Development Director or designee.

Discussion: Mayor Norton called for a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-03.

Discussion: Motion made by Council Member Larson to approve the Ordinance 2019--03 and second by Council Member Ridley.

Conclusion: Mayor Norton called for a vote of all in favor signifying so by saying aye, like sign for those opposed. The motion carried with unanimous vote in favor.

Agenda Item / Ordinance 2019-04 -An Ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Dahlonge: Sidewalk Food Sales, Section 8-78: Criteria for Granting of the Permit.

Purpose: Director Herrit stated this is a change to remove the restriction of mandating a barrier for outside dining.

Discussion: Mayor Norton called for a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-04.

Discussion: Motion made by Council Member Ridley to approve the Ordinance 2019-04 and second by Council Member Hardman.

Conclusion: Mayor Norton called for a vote of all in favor signifying so by saying aye, like sign for those opposed. The motion carried with unanimous vote in favor.

Agenda Item / Ordinance 2019-05 - An Ordinance to amend the Code of the City of Dahlonega: SPEED ZONES; USE OF RADAR; Granting of Powers and Authority for Law Enforcement Agencies.

Purpose: City Attorney Parks clarified this ordinance deletes University of North Georgia from the Speed Ordinance and now includes the City's Marshal Department.

Discussion: City Attorney Parks informed Council that the University of North Georgia no longer has a permit to enforce speed laws and no longer has radar equipment.

Discussion: Mayor Norton called for a motion to approve Ordinance 2019-05.

Discussion: Motion made by Council Member Taylor to approve Ordinance 2019-05 and second by Council Member Larson.

Discussion: Marshal Branyon stated Chief Gaines from the University of Georgia donated their radar units to the City of Dahlonega's Marshal Department. City Marshal Branyon is radar certified.

Conclusion: Mayor Norton called for a vote of all in favor signifying so by saying aye, like sign for those opposed. The motion carried with unanimous vote in favor.

Old Business

Agenda Item - No item

Purpose:

Discussion:

Conclusion:

<u>Action:</u>	<u>Person Responsible</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
No Action			

Agenda Item – No Item

Purpose:

Discussion:

Conclusion:

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No Action			

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Purpose:

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Conclusion:

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No Action			

New Business

Agenda Item / Consideration of Approval for an Alcohol Beverage License for Yahoola Creek Grill- Alcohol, Beer and Wine Consumption on Premises – Nicholas Alicea

Purpose: Mayor Norton asked if the paperwork was in order to approve the alcohol license for Yahoola Creek Grill – Alcohol, Beer and Wine Consumption on Premise – Nicolas Alicea. Ms. Csukas informed Council the paperwork is in order.

Discussion: Mayor Norton called for a motion to approve the Alcohol Beverage License for Yahoola Creek Grill - Alcohol, Beer and Wine Consumption on Premise- Nicolas Alicea

Discussion: Motion made by Council Member Taylor to approve the Alcohol Beverage License for Yahoola Creek Grill- Alcohol, Beer and Wine Consumption on Premises – Nicholas Alicea and second by Council Member Larson

Conclusion: Mayor Norton called for a vote of all in favor signifying so by saying aye, like sign for those opposed. The motion carried with unanimous vote in favor.

Agenda Item / TSPLOST Resolution 2019-01 Authorizing the Issuance of General Obligation Sales Tax Debt

Purpose: Mayor Norton called for a motion to approve Resolution 2019-01.

Discussion: Motion made by Council Member Larson to approve Resolution 2019-01 and second by Council Member Gaddis

Conclusion: Mayor Norton called for a vote of all in favor signifying so by saying aye, like sign for those opposed. The motion carried with unanimous vote in favor.

Agenda Item / Second Amendment to Probation Service Agreement

Purpose: City Attorney Parks stated this is a continuation of the Probation Service Agreement with a 30-day notice to amend or cancel the agreement.

Discussion: Motion made by Council Member Larson to approve the Second Amendment to Probation Service Agreement and second by Council Member Gaddis.

Conclusion: Mayor Norton called for a vote all in favor signifying so by saying aye, like sign for those opposed. The motion carried with unanimous vote in favor

Department Reports

Agenda Item / City Marshal Department Report - Marshal Branyon

Discussion: No Discussion

Conclusion:

<u>Action:</u>	<u>Person Responsible</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
No Action			

Agenda Item / Community Development and Historic Preservation Commission Report - Director Herrit

Discussion: No Discussion

Conclusion:

<u>Action:</u>	<u>Person Responsible</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
No Action			

Agenda Item / Finance Department Report - Director Marlowe

Discussion: No Discussion

Conclusion:

<u>Action:</u>	<u>Person Responsible</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
No Action			

Agenda Item / Public Works Department Reports - Director Buchanan

Discussion: No Discussion

Conclusion:

<u>Action Item:</u>	<u>Person Responsible</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
No Action Item			

Agenda Item / Water and Waste Water Plants Department – Supervisor Jarrard

Discussion: We experienced excessive water due to rain, but the department did a great job handling the situation. We did have a stormwater issue at the lift station, we are waiting for the area to dry out.

Conclusion:

<u>Action Item:</u>	<u>Person Responsible</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
No Action			

Agenda Item / Cemetery Committee Report – Chris Worick

Discussion: No Discussion

Conclusion:

<u>Action Item:</u>	<u>Person Responsible:</u>	<u>Status:</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
No Action			

Agenda Item / Dahlonga Downtown Development Authority Report - Downtown Director Harris

Discussion: No Discussion

Conclusion:

<u>Action Item:</u>	<u>Person Responsible</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
No Action			

Comments

City Manager Comments

Discussion: City Manager Schmid informed Council that the Leadership Team and Department Heads will be attending a Retreat on January 8th at Camp Glisson. The process for an RFI for Kindergarten Property is in the works.

Conclusion:

<u>Action Item:</u>	<u>Person Responsible:</u>	<u>Status:</u>	<u>Due Date</u>

City Attorney Comments

Discussion: No Comments

Conclusion:

<u>Action Item:</u>	<u>Person Responsible:</u>	<u>Status:</u>	<u>Due Date</u>

City Council Comments

Discussion: Council Member Gaddis asked for Website Re-Development and Financial Software updates

Conclusion: Finance Director Marlowe stated that the Website will go to the management team for review and go live in a few weeks. We do not have Financial Software selected at this time.

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Mayor Comments

Discussion: Mayor Norton stated that Council will be traveling to Atlanta for the Mayors Day Conference in a few weeks and to Athens for a Council Retreat next month. Even though no action items are expected, meeting notices will be posted for each event.

Conclusion:

<u>Action Item:</u>	<u>Person Responsible:</u>	<u>Status:</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Public Notices	Ms. Mary Csukas		

Adjournment:

Motion by Council Member Hoffman to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Larson. This motion was approved with a unanimous vote in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m