



**CITY OF DAHLONEGA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
May 1, 2017, 6:00 P.M.**

Call to Order

Mayor McCullough called the meeting to order. Council Members Roman Gaddis, Michael Clemons, Bruce Hoffman, Sam Norton, Mitchell Ridley and Ron Larson were present. City Manager Bill Schmid, City Attorney Doug Parks, Director of Planning and Zoning Chris Head, Finance Director Melody Marlowe and Public Works Director Mark Buchanan were present.

Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

The prayer was led by City Manager Schmid. Council Member Gaddis led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Agenda Approval

Mayor McCullough called for a motion to approve the agenda. Motion by Council Member Ridley, seconded by Council Member Norton and approved by all.

Announcements – Public Comments (please limit to three minutes) – There were no comments from the public.

Reappointment of Casey Moye and Win Crannell to the Dahlonega Planning Commission – Council Member Gaddis made a motion to approve the reappointments of Casey Moye and Win Crannell to the Planning Commission. The motion was seconded by Council Member Clemons and approved by all.

Reappointment of Eddie Wayne and Danny Goss to the Dahlonega Housing Authority Board of Directors – Council Member Larson made a motion to approve the reappointments of Eddie Wayne and Danny Goss to the Dahlonega Housing Authority Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gaddis and approved by all.

Consideration of Approval of Alcohol Beverage Licenses

Chris Head referred to City Clerk's memo included in the meeting packet recommending approval of both licenses. City Attorney clarified the licensed for Accent Cellars is for continued ratification for movement of the license date to today's date. This will allow the applicants sufficient time to receive Federal and State licensure.

Motion made by Council Member Clemons to approve license for Smokin Gold BBQ. The motion was seconded by Council Member Norton and approved by all.

Council Member Norton made a motion to approve ratification of license for Accent Cellars. The motion was seconded by Council Member Larson and approved by all.

Minute Approval

Mayor McCullough called for a motion. Council Member Larson made a motion to approve the minutes as presented for April 3, 2017 Regular Meeting, April 20, 2017 Work Session and April 20, 2017 Special Called

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Meeting. Motion seconded by Council Member Ridley and approved by a unanimous vote in favor by the Council Members in attendance.

Departmental Reports

Mayor McCullough asked if there were any questions regarding Departmental Reports. Council Member Hoffman noted the Ambassador's report appeared incomplete. Council Member Larson noted the Financial Statement appears positive after six months. Council Member Ridley noted concerns about the prepayment of tap fees and the timeframe of installation. Chris Head noted that current regulations does have a timeframe requirement for installation or the fee is forfeited.

Consent Agenda

Council Member Ridley made a motion to approve the consent agenda items noted below. The motion was seconded by Council Member Larson and approved by all.

- a. Approval of Purchasing Policy
- b. Approval of Revenue Enhancement Audits
- c. Approval of Budget Calendar
- d. Approval of \$27,000 for Barlow Road Water Line
- e. Approval of \$100,000 for West Main Street Sanitary Sewer Line Repairs
- f. Approval of Lumpkin County Tax Commissioner Contract

Retirement Incentive Options

City Manager Schmid stated this item has been previously discussed. The resolution needs a number assigned and the City Attorney has satisfied previous concerns. Council Member Ridley made a motion to approve the Incentive. Motion was seconded by Council Member Norton and approved by a vote of 5-1 with Council Member Clemons voting no to the motion. Council Member Clemons stated he wish the City would not cap the number at thirty years.

Approval of Non-Point Source Run-off 319 Grant In Kind Participation

City Manager Schmid informed this item was discussed at the work session. Council Member Gaddis made a motion to approve. The motion was seconded by Council Member Norton and approved by all.

City Manager Comments

City Manager Schmid noted the City will continue to work with GDOT for improvements to the section of Morrison Moore Parkway East from Riley Road to South Chestatee. Council Members noted they would like Staff to check to see if traffic movement could be improved with changes to the timing of the traffic light.

Schmid informed all that the process to replace DDA Director Rebecca Shirley has begun.

Mayor Comments

Mayor McCullough announced the Fudge Factory is celebrating their 30th anniversary today. He also noted there will be a reception for Amy Booker at 4 pm on Friday at Shenanigan's.

City Attorney Comments

Mr. Parks informed Council that he will be requesting an Executive Session prior to the next work session.

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City Council Comments

Council Member Ridley asked for Council to consider holding a "Spring Clean Up Event" and allow items such as appliances to be picked up by the City at reduced or no cost. Mayor McCullough asked Staff to prepare a recommendation.

Council Member Hoffman stated he feels that tree companies are using City services to pick up their trimmings and asked that Staff be made aware that these trimmings are not part of City pick up service.

Council Member Norton stated he appreciated the City Crew stripping the downtown area at night so that people would not be inconvenienced. He also asked that Staff check the water wheel to see why it's not working.

Council Member Gaddis also stated his appreciation to the City Crews for getting the Square up and running before the Bear Festival. He also stated his appreciation for the cooperation between the City and County at a meeting last week.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Council Member Clemons. The motion was seconded by Council Member Larson and the meeting was adjourned.

APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2017.

Gary McCullough, Mayor

Attest: _____
Mary Csukas, Assistant City Clerk