

- A. Call to Order – Meeting called to order by Wm. T. Austin, Mayor, with Council Members T. Williams, Sr., D. Miller, C. Stacy and J. Young present;
- B. Confirmation of Proper Notice of Meeting;
- C. Invocation – Council Member T. Williams, Sr.;
- D. Adoption of Minutes of Last Meeting – Motion Council Member D. Miller, 2nd. Council Member C. Stacy to adopt said minutes; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;

Old Business

Review of ongoing projects requiring engineer/contractor support:

1. Water/Sewer System – (P.C. Simonton & Assoc.)
 - A. Remaining Sewer Projects – Council Member T. Williams, Sr., - there are 3 remaining sewer projects - *Gill tract – still working on it; *Emmanuel Joyner property – Sandy Run Rd. – looking at most economical way to run the sewer; *2 houses on E.B. Cooper – connected stub out for water & sewer – house next to Willie McIver’s property; the property across the street from Willie McIver – looking at most economical way to make connections;
 - B. Green Well – Update – Mayor Austin indicated that the well startup is scheduled for October, 2017; Everything satisfactory with respect to EDA requirements; awaiting final documents from EPA which will clarify number of additional gallons; One bid received for GEO from Whitaker Lab; there was a severe break in 8” line at Oak Street & 119; with assistance of Chemtall, they were able to get the system back up and going; With the new well, Chemtall is willing to pay for a direct line to come into their plant;
 - C. Daniel Mellerson – Mobile Home – Water/Sewer – Intersection of Hwy. 17/Frazier Dr. – Consensus of Council to set up a workshop to further discuss said item;
 - D. Lisa Davis – Mobile Home – will meet with Lisa on said item and discuss this with her;
 - E. Letter of Demolition – Status – Debra Attical, Grant Specialist, will get letter to Mayor Austin;
 - F. Liberty County Chamber of Commerce – Approval – Film Permitting – CVB – Leah Poole – Motion Council Member D. Miller, 2nd. Council Member C. Stacy to approve guideline for permitting; Riceboro will create their own guidelines; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;
2. Community Development, Council Member C. Stacy – Update – Ribbon Cutting of Pavilion Saturday, May 6, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.; Career Readiness Program – Application deadline, 5/22; interviews scheduled, 6-12 & 13; start date, 6/26 and ending 7/21; Farmers Market – 9a.m. – 2 p.m. every Saturday, May 6th – August 26th; moving forward with Ricefest; had a couple of

meetings; Gathering at Geechee Kunda was held about 2 weeks ago; restroom trailer for Ricefest mentioned; Street Sweeper - \$31,500.00 – re-conditioned; agreed to move forward with purchase of said item which was previously approved;

New Business

1. Public Participation – John D. McIver – “Thank You” to Mayor and Council for property purchase along with New Zion Baptist Church; Jones Street – would like to get information on what’s happening with Jones Street – Mayor Austin said BAC Product road was paved in return for abandoning Jones Street; concerns of Sarah J. McIver not being able to access her property from Jones Street; also, she was not notified of said issue; Mayor Austin indicated that this issue was reviewed and approved by the city’s attorney; Mayor Austin said they will go back and do whatever is necessary to rectify the problem; Mr. McIver stated the code O.C.G.A. 32-7-2 (2010) Procedure for Abandonment;
2. Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget – Amend – Motion Council Member T. Williams, Sr., 2nd. Council Member D. Miller to accept revised budget for Enterprise Fund; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay; Revised Budget for Water & Sewer – Motion Council Member C. Stacy, 2nd. Council Member T. Williams, Sr., to amend said item; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;
3. Preliminary 2017-18 Budget – Discussion – 1st. reading (2 readings required); 2nd. reading and adoption to take place at the June meeting; Council Member C. Stacy mentioned giving some type of incentive for the employees to invest, getting information out for investing, etc. to the employees;
4. National Prayer Day Request – Lelia M. Williams – Approval – Motion Council Member D. Miller, 2nd. Council Member C. Stacy to approve said item; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;
5. Evaluation results for GEO Tech Inspection & testing – Green Well – mailed to Paul Simonton, Engineer;
6. Liberty County Convention & Visitors Bureau – “Thank You” – FYI;
7. Acquisition of Replacement Tractor – Discussion – get quotes per Council;

Acquisition of a Street Sweeper – Discussion – previously approved for purchase;
8. Customer Complaints – smell in the water; complaints addressed; repair corrected for Council Member J. Young;
9. Financial Statement, Month of April, 2017 – Adoption – Motion Council Member C. Stacy, 2nd. Council Member T. Williams, Sr., to adopt said item; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;
10. Adjournment – Motion Council Member T. Williams, Sr., 2nd. Council Member J. Young to adjourn at 7:55 p.m.; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;

City Clerk

Mayor

