

- A. Call to Order – Meeting called to order by Wm. T. Austin, Mayor, with Council Members C. Stacy, T. Williams, Sr., and J. Young present; Council Member D. Miller absent due to family (funeral);
- B. Confirmation of Proper Notice of Meeting;
- C. Invocation – Council Member T. Williams, Sr.;
- D. Adoption of Minutes of Last Meeting – Motion to adopt said minutes by Council Member C. Stacy, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Council Member T. Williams, Sr.; Passed 3 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 – Update - Council Member T. Williams, Sr., - nothing new under water; one lift station went out; watching it manually until we get a new pump; cost about \$6100.00; did cause a back-up in a resident’s home;  
  
\*Council Member C. Stacy – during storm, water pressure was low;  
  
Two new generators are being purchased; P.C. Simonton working on bid packet; cost is about \$21,000.00; city using a generator on loan from Hinesville;
  - B. Green Well – Update - Mayor Austin stated we’re in a holding pattern for permit; If the city don’t get the permit, EDA will pull the grant; Mayor working with state representative on this issue;
- 2. Community Development, Council Member C. Stacy – Update – Summer program completed; will be sending certificates out; need contestants for the pageant; November 4<sup>th</sup>. Pageant; November 5<sup>th</sup>. Gospel Fest; Suggesting to rope off the festival field to be able to have a controlled environment and get an accurate head count;

New Business:

- 1. Public Participation – Dennis Fitzgerald – requesting to use Ricefest stage area on the 21<sup>st</sup>. of October from 8a.m.-1:00 p.m. for a yard sale for the community sponsored by the American Legion, post 321; request granted by Mayor and Council;

Pearl Axson, citizen – concerns of Chemtall storing tankers in the new parking lot – Mayor Austin will look into this matter;

Huey Young – concerns about the rules and regulations for the hiring process of the city; he said he’s looking out for the people of Riceboro;

James Williams – concerns for storm conditions – question as to whether the youth center can be used for shelter; Mayor Austin said they could look at what it would take to have a secure facility;

Council Member J. Young said a workshop needs to take place to discuss the hiring process for the city; looking at an October time frame; Council Member C. Stacy will get with City Clerk to set up a date and time;

2. LCPC, Alan Seifert – Development Ordinance Update Plan – will come up with a name for a liaison for the city;
  3. Community Enhancement App. for Funding Request – Diversity Health Center – Motion Council Member C. Stacy, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Council Member J. Young to approve said request based on funding; Passed 3 yea; 0 nay;
  4. AKA Society, Dorothy Cottom – See Handout – Letter of Support – Certificate of Appreciation presented to Mayor and Council for outstanding Leadership and Performance;
  5. Georgia Act – Membership – See Handout – Discussion/Approval – Motion Council Member C. Stacy, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Council Member T. Williams, Sr., to complete application for membership; Passed 3 yea; 0 nay;
  6. Roadway Abandonment Policy and Procedures – See Handout – Discussion – Atty. John Pirkle said the city did not get a plat; Chemtall did not produce a plat; Mayor Austin will get surveyor to do a plat; suggested to do an easement for lift station on Chemtall's property; Atty. Pirkle suggest that they swap deeds; go through proper procedure for abandonment; do an ordinance;
- \*Emergency Services for County as a whole – Atty. Pirkle – Handout from Atty. Pirkle discussed – Mayor Austin thinks it needs to be an increase in the mileage rate;
- \*Fire Dept. – firefighters are asking to get the \$15.00 response fee back;
7. Liberty County Christmas Parade – Motion Council Member T. Williams, Sr., 2<sup>nd</sup>. Council Member J. Young to participate; Passed 3 yea; 0 nay;
  8. Customer Complaints – Not any;
  9. Financial Statement, Month of September, 2017 – Approval – Motion Council Member T. Williams, Sr., 2<sup>nd</sup>. Council Member J. Young to adopt said statement; Passed 3 yea; 0 nay;
  10. Adjournment – Motion Council Member T. Williams, Sr., 2<sup>nd</sup>. Council Member J. Young to adjourn at 7:14 p.m.; Passed 3 yea; 0 nay;

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City Clerk

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Mayor

