

- A. Call to Order – Meeting called to order by Wm. T. Austin, Mayor, with Council Members T. Williams, Sr., C. Stacy, D. Miller and J. Young present;
- B. Confirmation of Proper Notice of Meeting;
- C. Invocation – Council Member D. Miller;
- D. Adoption of Minutes of Last Meeting – Motion to adopt said minutes Council Member T. Williams, Sr., 2nd. Council Member C. Stacy; 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 – Update – not any;
 - B. Green Well – Update – Mayor Austin stated that everything is in line; signed agreement with SunTrust for financing; ok for bid in a week;

*Water – Workers are changing out line to an 8” line and installing a fire hydrant on C. Anderson Drive;
2. Community Development, Council Member C. Stacy – Update – 4 properties completed in demolition – Axson, Hargrove, bldg. on 17 and Peter King Rd.; tree give- a –way – Keep Liberty Beautiful – 1 per family; pick up time is 2/17/18, 9a.m. to 1 p.m.; Annual Riceboro Cleanup – March 10, 2018 – 8:30 a.m. to 12 noon; HYPE Program – Atlanta – tour capitol;

*Joe Harris – SYP – Concerns for testing and college readiness – SAT testing; SAT & ACT class course – asking for support from the City of Riceboro and anyone willing to contribute; this is preparation for youth for a 4 year university;
3. IT- In a Box – Acquisition of Equipment - \$1500.00 per month; Motion Council Member D. Miller to contract with IT in a box for computer services, 2nd. Council Member C. Stacy; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;

New Business:

1. Public Participation – Sandra Hicks Sheffield – Thanks to Mayor and Council for response and support of renaming of the library; hope to hear from County Commissioners at their mid month meeting;
2. LCPC – G. Hartage – 1. Zoning Permit for Jimmel Hargrove – Motion Council Member D. Miller, 2nd. Council Member T. Williams, Sr., granting said applicate the approval to install a well and

septic system if he chooses due to the distance of his home; (first 500 ft. from right-a-way is the required distance); 2. Location Permit for Franklin Williams – It was indicated that Mr. Williams needs to get back to the surveyor; tabled for further discussion; 3. Proposed Package Store for Sparkers – All requirements are met as far as distance; there are 5 or 6 different classes of alcohol; a separate meeting will be held to discuss other issues;

3. Katrell Tyson-Pollard – Estate of Lester Tyson, Sr. – Mayor Austin, Council Member T. Williams, Sr., and Attorney John Pirkle met with said party and discussed issues;
4. Easement – Property – Rice Festival – Council agreed to swap the land (20 ft. piece) – See copy of easement and attached copy for item # 4; Mayor Austin read easement document; Motion Council Member T. Williams, Sr., 2nd. Council Member D. Miller to approve said document; Council Member J. Young abstained; Passed 3 yea; 0 nay; 1 abstain;
5. CHIP – Debra Attical - \$612,000 received from DCA; funds are for 6 renovations and 2 new homes will be built; Public Hearing will be February 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall;
6. Huey Young – See attached request and attached ordinance – Mayor Austin to do an assessment and determine what the cost will be to repair Sandy Run Road; SPLOST dollars not coming in like it should at this time; engineer is surveying at the foot of the bridge and Dogwood; It's in the works; Mayor Austin said the drainage needs to be repaired; Mobile Home skirting addressed – helps the new generation – re: masonry siding – brick, block; Mayor Austin said it's an attempt to beautify the community and move forward;
7. City of Stockbridge – Request for Resolution – Support of GMA Legislative Policy Regarding De-Annexation – Motion Council Member T. Williams, Sr., 2nd. Council Member D. Miller to approve said Resolution; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;
8. Procurement Policy – Adding Attachment B to Policy, Section 3 – Motion Council Member T. Williams, Sr., 2nd. Council Member D. Miller to add said section to Procurement Policy; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;

*Brush fire on Peter King – 15 to 20 minutes, fire dept. was on the scene; Mayor Austin gave accolades to response time and to the firefighters;

9. Municipal Holiday Schedule – Review – Part-time workers will be added to schedule and get percentage of total hours paid; Motion Council Member D. Miller, 2nd. Council Member C. Stacy to approve said item; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;
10. Customer Complaints – Discussed;

*Minority Chamber having a class for contractors and other classes in segments – March 15 – 6-8 p.m. – this is part I of the classes; part II will be later in March with GDOT;

11. Financial Statement, Month of January, 2018 – Motion Council Member D. Miller, 2nd. Council Member T. Williams, Sr., to adopt said statement; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;

*Council Member T. Williams, Sr., indicated that the old blocks where the Church was located, people are asking can they have them; Ok to get them;

12. Adjournment – Motion Council Member D. Miller, 2nd. Council Member T. Williams, Sr., to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;

City Clerk

Mayor