

- A. Call to Order – Meeting called to order by Wm. T. Austin, Mayor, with Council Members C. Stacy, D. Miller, T. Williams, Sr., and J. Young present;
- B. Confirmation of Proper Notice of Meeting by City Clerk;
- C. Invocation – Council Member D. Miller;
- D. Adoption of Minutes of Last Meeting – Motion Council Member C. Stacy, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Council Member D. Miller 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 – Update – Everything going well per Council Member T. Williams, Sr.;
  - B. Green Well – Mayor Austin – tower is going up; well station has fencing completed; will start pumping water in about a month;
  - C. Revised Budget for 2018-2019 – Approval/Motion – Motion Council Member D. Miller, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Council Member T. Williams, Sr., to approve said item; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;
2. Community Development, Council Member C. Stacy – Update – Recognizing former SYP grads – Mikiah Frazier – Spellman College – will be teaching 4<sup>th</sup> grade at Joseph Martin Elementary; served as class president; Kayla Frazier – Tuskegee University – moving to Texas – Chemical Engineer grad;

\*SYP for 2019 – 23 apps to date; 25 participants is the goal; increase in pay approved for \$8.00 ph.; Motion Council D. Miller, 2<sup>nd</sup>. Council Member T. Williams, Sr., to increase pay from \$5 to \$8 ph.; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;

\*Diversity Health Care Services – plan to do program once a month until we get enough participants to provide services weekly; working on a date for June;

\*BRAG – Bicycles Riders Across Georgia – sandwiches, water will be provided – Saturday, June 8, 2019;

\*CHIP – approval to begin work; Ethel Chambers – roof is on; will start on Mrs. Ruth Richardson’s house;

\*Blight Elimination Program - Four for 2019; will collect ½ pmt. before demolition and remainder after demolition is completed; \$350 minimum fee;

\*Ricefest – Entertainers lined up for 2019;

\*Idea about Welcome Sign – regular plants; Mayor Austin suggested cutting back on vegetation; plants require maintenance;

Mayor Austin said Community Development is doing a great job providing outlets and activities;

New Business:

1. Public Participation – Ralph Ward – concerned citizen – last year someone came down to the Youth Center and talked about Hurricane Season – what are the plans for 2019 – Chemtall needs to update the chem-call system;

\*Downtown Riceboro – “Highlight of Riceboro” – from entrance by the creek to bridge; need to make it look more presentable;

\*James Williams – cutting of grass – guys got Hwy. 17 looking really good;

\*Huey Young – Liberty County – will attend meeting 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thursday reference to getting back some money from the county for the roads in Riceboro;

2. Customer Complaints – Not any;

3. Ms. Pearl Axson – Award Presentation – Certificate of Appreciation – Earth Day – April 12<sup>th</sup>

Certificate of Appreciation – Great American Clean-Up

4. 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget – 1<sup>st</sup>. Reading; 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Adoption will take place at the July meeting;

Generator for the Fire Dept. – Generac – will look to get one this month;

5. Financial Statement, Month of May, 2019 – Adoption – Motion Council Member T. Williams, Sr., 2<sup>nd</sup>. Council Member D. Miller to adopt said statement; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;

6. Adjournment – Motion Council Member T. Williams, Sr., 2<sup>nd</sup>, Council Member D. Miller to adjourn at 7:51 p.m.; Passed 4 yea; 0 nay;

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City Clerk

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Mayor