

City of White, GA City Council Meeting November 5, 2018

Present at the meeting were Mayor Kim Billue, Councilmember Dennis Huskins, Councilmember Tina Wilhite, Councilmember Ryan Evans, Councilmember Charles Buttrum, City Attorney Leslie Simmons, and City Clerk Robin Deal.

The meeting was called to order by our Mayor Billue at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Dennis Huskins opened the meeting with an invocation.

The minutes from the meeting of Oct. 1st were read. Councilmember Wilhite made the motion to approve the minutes and Councilmember Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0-0 vote.

Reports were given by Jimmy Nichols, Robin Deal, Billy Baker, Chief Hunter and Vicki Crowe of Stamp Creek History Center.

Jimmy Nichols talked about the need to replace his work vehicle as it is 12 years old. He presented a spec sheet on a 2019 Chevy Colorado for the water department and proposed it put on the upcoming budget. The old truck has issues and needs to be replaced. He stated that leaks were still happening and being repaired almost daily. Replaced all 6 swings at the playground. He stated we caught one customer stealing water even though the meter had been removed. He rigged it with PVC pipe and electrical tape. This situation has been turned over to the Sheriff's Department.

Robin Deal reported on the property at 75 Richards Rd which needs some work. Michael Parker looked at the building to see what it needed to be sound against the elements. He gave us a quote on repairs to the house and barn. Also, today we added an alarm system to the house as we were having unwanted guests three or four times over the last week. The price on the quote from Michael Parker Construction is \$3500. The motion was made by Councilman Wilhite and seconded by Councilman Huskins. Motion carried 4-0-0 vote.

Billy Baker reported that the trash truck scheduled delivery date was the end of November. He stated that David Bennett had picked up the trash for the last time. In the mean time we have found someone to help us with the trash until our truck is delivered. He reminded everyone that trash day is Wednesday! Mr. Baker reminded us that the FEMA folks would be here on the 27th to help us with some old ordinances that need to be revised. We will also be working on the LMIG program from the state and must have our projects submitted by the end of December. Our FEMA audit showed us in good shape, but we have to keep working on it and updated the ordinances.

Chief Hunter reported on a special operation that involved several of local law enforcement to stop human trafficking and child porn. Twenty arrests were made and

more expected. He stated they had solved a burglary case and recouped all the victims stolen items. Our department participated in the active school shooter drills at several schools and a drug/weapon sweep at Adairsville. Chief Hunter complimented the Mayor and her entire staff on our successful Halloween Hayride. No incidents were reported on Halloween night. Chief Hunter reported that the water theft was being handled by the county. He stated that the Mayor and he had been to Hardy Ford to look at new patrol vehicles. He presented the council with spec sheets giving pricing and option details. The Tahoe prices out at \$33,211 and the Ford Interceptor 2020 at \$38,400. He stated the Chevy was the better handling vehicle. Chief stated that these vehicles could be purchased with a USDA Grant/Loan program to save 35% of the purchase price.

Vicki Crowe with the Stamp Creek History Center gave us an update on their progress.

Mayor Kim Billue stated to the council they had a copy of the proposed 2019 Budget and they needed to review it as to be ready to vote at our next meeting.

A Resolution was presented to temporarily stop annexation into the city or rezoning until we can get a Planning/Zoning Committee established. Councilmember Huskins made the motion and Councilmember Wilhite seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

The new Charter was presented to the council by Mayor Billue. She advised the council to review it and be ready to discuss it at a work session on Monday, November 12, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.

The Mayor presented the proposal from Bartow County regarding the Public Safety Radio System. Councilmember Evans made the motion to accept the proposal and Councilmember Buttrum seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Councilmember Huskins made a motion for an Executive Session at 7:27 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. Councilmember Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Executive Session started at 7:27 p.m. No votes were taken during the session. Only the personnel matters were discussed. The Executive Session ended at 9:43 p.m. on a motion made by Councilmember Huskins and seconded by all other Councilmembers, Wilhite, Evans and Buttrum. Motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

Mayor Billue called the regular council meeting back into session at 9:44 p.m. A motion was made by Councilmember Huskins to end the meeting. The motion was seconded by all remaining Councilmembers, Wilhite, Evans and Buttrum. Motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

The meeting ended at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Kim Billue
Charles Beatty
Buttrum
Evans
Huskins
Wilhite