

City of White, GA

City Council Meeting

Sept 3, 2019

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 Tina Wilhite opened the meeting with an invocation. Mayor Billue lead us in the saying of the pledge.

The minutes from the meeting of Aug 5 were read. Councilmember Wilhite made the motion to approve the minutes and Councilmember Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 4-0-0 vote.

The Mayor turned the meeting over to Donny Scott with Bartow County Schools. He gave a presentation on Youth Against Violence and Drugs. This program was established to try and keep kids out of jail. It's an 8-week program held at the Cartersville Police Dept and it's free for the kids. Scott also talked about the Ice Cream With A Cop program, which our Police Dept has participated in for over a year. If you would like more information on any of the programs or to make donations, please contact Donny Scott.

Jimmy Nichols reported on the water department. He stated that Richards Rd railroad crossing that opened up two weeks ago is holding up well. Nichols stated that Old Tennessee Hwy had been restriped from city limit sign to city limit sign with the double yellow lines. The city is averaging one water leak a week. Nichols stated the department has lost Andrew Olsen who moved to Texas stating he really caught onto the new water meters and will be hard to replace. We are going to miss him.

Billy Baker reported on the progress on Richard Rd. The road has been opened and the land survey is completed. We are waiting on the contractor to TV the old drain lines under Richards Rd. Baker said we're waiting on the engineer to get back to us as the last part of the field work. He stated we have had water leaks the entire time he has worked for the city. Most of the leaks are on the service lines. We are doing an analysis on the numbers. Baker restated the need for new service lines. He stated that most of the lines are 4" plastic, 2" galvanized and 2" plastic. Baker said the proposal switches the lines to K copper and all brass fittings. NWGRC has a grant matching fund program that could help us with the projected \$2 million dollars or less to upgrade the water lines. Baker stated we are going to keep working on this and will keep you informed.

Chief Barnes reported on the police department. There were 80 calls for service, 700 case number issued, 29 citations written, and 5 arrests made. Barnes stated that 30 kids participated in the Ident A Kid program at the Centennial Festival. Chief continued by

stating that car issues continued listing problems with an a/c compressor, radiator, and wiring. Barnes said they are working traffic in the morning and afternoons stopping a lot of kids. Just an update that all the equipment that was paid for by the TOYO donation has come in but the carriers. He also noted that speeding on Old Tennessee Hwy has decreased since the restriping had been completed.

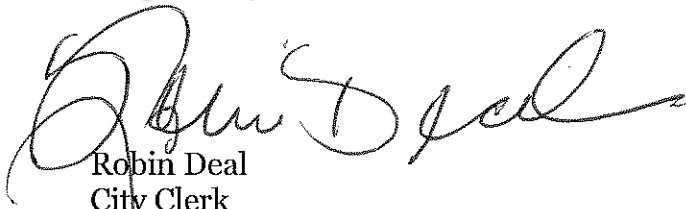
Robin Deal spoke on behalf of city hall. She gave special kudos to our festival director Stephanie Nicholson saying she did a great job. All the feedback has been positive.

Citizen Mark Nicholson asked to address the council about the possibility of opening a liquor store. He was advised of the steps he would need to take to get that project started by City Attorney Leslie Simmons stating a state license is required. City Clerk Robin Deal followed up by saying a petition would have to be signed by 35% of the voting population of White before it could be on the ballot.

Councilmember Dennis Huskins made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Councilmember Tina Wilhite seconded the motion. Motion passed with a 4-0-0 vote.

The meeting ended at 8:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Robin Deal
City Clerk

