TOWN OF TALLULAH FALLS STATE OF GEORGIA REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING August 9th, 2018 MINUTES

The meeting for August 9th, 2018 of the City Council of Tallulah Falls, Georgia was called to order at 7:05p.m. by Mayor Teri Dobbs.

PRESENT WERE:

Mayor Teri Dobbs

Councilperson Deb Goatcher Councilperson Larry Hamilton Councilperson Mary Beth Hughes

Councilperson Carol Nelms

Fire Chief Mike Early
Police Chief Bill Goatcher
Town Clerk Jessica Robinson
Attorney Allyn Stockton

OTHERS PRESENT:

See attached sign-in list

Mayor Dobbs welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked Mrs. Donna Verdino to open the meeting with prayer.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Hughes to accept the minutes of the July 19, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting. The Motion was seconded by Councilperson Goatcher and passed unanimously.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Hughes to accept the agenda for the August 9, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting. The Motion was seconded by Councilperson Nelms and passed unanimously.

Mayor Dobbs updated the Council on the Bicentennial events coming up.

Founders Day update- Donna Verdino provided an update of the information of the work she has completed. Mayor Dobbs suggested that the Council considering budgeting money from marketing to advertise in the Clayton Tribune and the Northeast Georgian. The Council agreed that this would be for the event.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Hughes to approve up to \$500.00 to advertise the Founders Day event in the local newspapers. The Motion was seconded by Councilperson Nelms and passed unanimously.

Mayor Dobbs provided information to the Council regarding the Gorgeous Mountain Parkway.

She asked the Council to approve funding for the Town of Tallulah Falls to be advertised on the brochure.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Hamilton to approve \$175.00 from marketing to advertise on the Gorgeous Mountain Parkway brochure. The Motion was seconded by Councilperson Nelms and passed unanimously.

Water Report- Attached hereto and made a part hereof

Attorney Report- Attorney Stockton recommended that the Council and Staff work on the implementation of the Employee Handbook.

Fire Report- Attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Police Report- Attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Financial Report- Attached hereto and made a part hereof.

Street Report- Attached hereto and made a part hereof.

DDA Report- Councilperson Hughes updated the Council on the DDA. She stated that officers had been selected and the by-laws had been approved. The meetings will be held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30p.m. All members will be attending training on 8/14/2018.

City Clerk Report- The Council discussed a requested building permit approval for lot 3A Hickory Nut. Clerk Robinson stated that she would contact the builder for a copy of the septic permit.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Hughes to approve the building permit contingent upon receipt of the septic permit. The Motion was seconded by Councilperson Hamilton and passed unanimously.

Clerk Robinson updated the Council regarding training she completed one on one with a representative from the Georgia Department of Driver Services (GDDS). She stated that some of the past records needed corrections and that she will continue to work with GDDS staff to maintain compliance according to state mandates.

Public Comment: No comments from attendees

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

There was a motion made to enter executive session for Potential Litigation at 7:32 p.m.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Hughes to go into Executive Session for Potential Litigation. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Hamilton. The Motion passed unanimously.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION:

There was a motion made to exit executive session at 8:22 p.m.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Hughes to exit Executive Session and reconvene the open meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Nelms. The Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Dobbs presented a proposal from EDTS for a network security assessment that was discussed during Executive Session.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Nelms to approve a contract in the amount of \$5800.00 to EDTS to complete an analysis only on the complete computer system for the Town. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Hamilton. The Motion passed unanimously.

A Motion was made by Councilperson Goatcher to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Nelms. The Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

APPROVED:

MAYOR

CLERK

COUNCIL MEMBER

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AFFIDAVIT

Personally appeared before the undersigned attesting officer, duly authorized to administer oaths, **Mayor Teri Dobbs**, who, after being duly sworn, deposes and on oath states the following:

- (1) I was the presiding officer of a meeting of the Tallulah Falls Town Council held on August 9th, 2108.
- (2) That it is my understanding that O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-4(b) provides as follows:

When any meeting of an agency is closed to the public pursuant to subsection (a) of this Code section, the chairperson or other person presiding over such meeting shall execute and file with the official minutes of the meeting a notarized Affidavit stating, under oath, that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the exceptions provided by law and identifying the specific relevant exception.

- (3) The subject matter of the closed meeting or closed portion of the meeting held on the 9th Day of August 2018 which was closed for the purpose(s) of personnel, real estate, and possible litigation.
 - As allowed by O.C.G.A., Title 50, Chapter 14, was devoted to matters within those exceptions and as provided by law.
- (4) This Affidavit is being executed for the purpose of complying with the mandate of O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-4(b) that such an Affidavit be executed.

This 9th Day of August 2018.

Mayor Teri Dobbs, Presiding Officer

Sworn to and subscribed before me

this this day of August, 2018

Notary Public