

TOWN OF TALLULAH FALLS
STATE OF GEORGIA
WORK SESSION
July 11, 2019, 6:00 p.m.
MINUTES

The work session for July 11, 2019 of the Town Council of Tallulah Falls, Georgia was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Dobbs.

PRESENT: Mayor Teri Dobbs
Councilperson Larry Hamilton
Councilperson Mary Beth Hughes
Councilperson Carol Nelms
Town Attorney Warren Tillery
Town Clerk Linda Lapeyrouse

ABSENT: Councilperson Deb Goatcher

OTHERS PRESENT: See attached sign-in sheet

Mayor Dobbs welcomed everyone to the meeting.

A motion was made by Councilperson Nelms to approve the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Hughes and unanimously approved.

Council reviewed the zoning amendment to allow camping in certain zoning districts, churches and State Park property. Councilperson Hughes asked if GA Power should be added in Section 2. Attorney Tillery will look further into the need to add GA Power prior to the August meeting.

Signage for the dock area was discussed as well as parking issues along Railroad Street. Police can enforce parking once posted.

Concerns to be addressed in reviewing and amending the sign ordinance include hand-written signs and the number of signs allowed on a single property. Billboards and especially digital billboards will also need to be reviewed. There is a need for wayfinding signs to help direct guests to appropriate areas. Review of the existing sign ordinance will continue.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Keith Nelms asked for a six-month moratorium on allowing short-term rentals in residential districts until Council can consider legislation to prohibit vacation rentals in these areas.

Even though Hickory Nut Mountain has restrictive covenants, Attorney Tillery explained that a local government can't enforce those restrictions.

Edward Hopper commented that city hall is shown in the wrong place on Google maps.

A motion to adjourn was made by Councilperson Hughes. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Hamilton and unanimously approved.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



Teri Dobbs, Mayor



Linda Lapeyrouse, Clerk