

# The City of Williamson

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## MINUTES REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING 7 December 2023 7:00 PM

\*\*All council except B. Harrison in attendance\*\*

- I. **CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE, WELCOME.....**Mayor Steve Fry: 7:06pm
- II. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** (O.C.G A. § 50-14-1 (e) (1)) SL/SD 4-0
- III. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES** (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1(e) (2))
  - A. Minutes from Meeting held 2 November 2023: SD/SL 4-0
  - B. Minutes from Meeting held 9 November 2023: CB/SL 4-0
- IV. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Mayor advised he is working on the budget worksheet. Reported General Fund has \$788,319.89, Water Fund has \$256,157, and SPLOST remains at \$91,388.61. TB/SL 4-0
- V. **REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS, COMMITTEES AND BOARDS**
  - A. City Clerk Report: Stated she is working with the Fox Tales HOA and Ashley Glen HOA to communicate when there are new residents to ensure trash service is set up and properly tracked. Advised HWR's crew found a city water leak on Drewry Street and installed a new meter at city hall. Asked for input on how to provide leak credit for a resident that had an ongoing leak for years, to which the city attorney suggested utilizing most current reads.
  - B. Council Members: **SL**- Reported on his daughter's concert and lip balm making for the school bazaar. Noted internet is available but needs to be applied for online.  
**CB**- Advised speed bump on Midland is gone and people are speeding. Discussion about Turin's new speed tables and requested that the city clerk reach out for information. Attorney noted speed studies are typically done prior to installation.  
**SD**- Informed that he was recuperating from surgeries. Advised the speed sign on Williamson-Zebulon is out again. Mayor plans to install a solar charger on the sign. Asked about possibly hiring a handyman to address wood piles and other minor repairs at the park. Motion to investigate hiring a handyman-SD/CB 4-0. Mayor is working on minor repairs at the park to make the equipment safe until new equipment can be installed.  
**TB**- Discussed recycle dumpster issues. Mayor advised he spoke with AmWaste about possibly moving it and reiterated there is no charge for this service. TB asked to get this in writing since it wasn't in original scope of work.
  - C. City Attorney Report: Distributed resolution for adopting budget and setting millage rate. Advised work was done on ice house lease. Discussed receipt of rezoning application for 1241 Highway 362 and subsequent meeting requirements; city's planning commission is scheduled to meet January 18<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.
  - D. Mayor's Report: Discussed potential zoning map updates and removal of unused zoning classifications to simplify. Advised he's working on road mileage update for LMIG. Provided update on lead & copper work with Carter & Sloope; spoke with Matt Smith and they are ready to turn over work to HWR for potholing. Advised he met with McLeroy to address 2<sup>nd</sup> District drainage issues/repairs; plans to replace curb & create a valley for water runoff. Discussed county zoning changes and possibility of city updating its to match. Attorney recommended holding a workshop to discuss.

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- E. County Matters: Advised county's second public hearing for UDC discussion had a lot of public interest due to AG concerns which resulted in deferral of the first reading and a workshop is scheduled December 21<sup>st</sup>. Stated the county and city of Zebulon were awarded CBDG funds and they will be used for Tanyard Rd.
- F. Library Report: For the month of November there were 82 patrons, 4 PC users, 10 books donated, \$13 income, and several new patrons. Noted Little Free Library is still in need of repair, kitchen faucet needs fixing, and 2 street lights out. Expressed discontent over hours since they had been reduced.

**VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- A. Water System Audit Progress: Discussed in mayor's report.
- B. Williamson Amphitheater and Park Facilities Updates: No update.
- C. GA Hwy 362 Traffic Control Update: GDOT has no new funds or plans available yet.
- D. Second District Road Drainage Improvements: Discussed in mayor's report.
- E. Vendor Lease Review, Ice House: Attorney handed out a revised copy of the vendor lease for council to review. Advised that exhibit "A" needs a map layout of structure location and sign location as well as pictures of each. After discussions a motion was made to increase monthly rent from \$250 to \$275-SL/TB 4-0.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Water Meter Calibrations Approval: Reed & Shows to calibrate/repair as needed-CB/SL 4-0
- B. Alcohol License Renewals Discussion: Mayor discussed state ordinance as it pertains to renewals and applications. Recommended updating city ordinance to match the state's.
- C. Mayor asked if there was anything else the council wanted to address that may have been forgotten during the meeting. This led to discussions regarding trunk line improvements. It was recommended by the engineer to install the 10" line to prepare for growth. SL made a motion to move forward with the 10" line, but the motion died for lack of a second.

**VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION:** (O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(6): Motion to enter executive for personnel and consultation with city attorney SL/SD 4-0 8:43pm. Motion to exit executive and re-enter open session SL/TB 4-0 9:15pm. Actions resulting from executive: Motion to give Christmas bonuses as discussed CB/SL 4-0

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENT:** None Requested

**X. ADJOURNMENT:** SL/CB 4-0 9:16pm