

HIAWASSEE REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
OCTOBER 4, 2016

The October, 2016 Regular Meeting was held on October 4, 2016, at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall.

1. Call to order by Mayor Mathis

Members present were Barbara Mathis, Kris Berrong, Anne Mitchell, Liz Ordiales, Teresa Kelley, Deputy City Clerk, Rick Stancil, City Manager, and Paul Smith, Sargent.

- 1.1 Pledge of Allegiance, Mayor Mathis
- 1.2 Invocation, Kris Berrong
- 1.3 Mayor's Introductions of Guests
- 1.4 Mayor's Announcements

Barbara announced Halloween on the Square, Monday October 31, 2016 - Time 5:30 - 7:30. Donations will be taken. People wanting to set up tables will be on a first come first serve basis.

1.5 Motion to Adopt Final Agenda as Distributed.

Upon Motion made by Liz Ordiales and seconded by Anne Mitchell the Council unanimously adopted the agenda as distributed and Amended by Consent.

2. Presentations

- 2.1 Grace Howard and Carol Townsend gave an update on the work, refurbishing and volunteer status at Hamilton Gardens. A lot of work has gone on to keep the Gardens in a condition for numerous visitors, all by donations. No fees are charged to visit The Gardens. They are asking that \$5000.00 of the Hotel-Motel be allocated to the gardens. The City Manager says Chamber of Commerce makes that allocation.
- 2.2 Lynn McPeak asked for support by all for Shopping Local on November 25th and November 26th.

3. Old Business

- 3.1 Hiawasse Banner Update. Waiting approval from the Blue Ridge Mountain EMC.
- 4. Motions, Resolutions and Ordinances.

Anne Mitchell made motion to adopt the Minutes of the September 6, 2016 regular Council Meeting as Distributed. The Motion was seconded by Kris Berrong. The Council unanimously adopted the Motion.

Motion to Adopt the Minutes of the September 27, Work Session. The Motion was held for November meeting.

A Motion was made by Kris Berrong to Adopt the August 2016 Financial Statements as Distributed, and seconded by Jay Chastain Jr. The Motion was unanimously adopted.

A Motion to Adopt the City Manager's September, 2016 Written Report as Distributed was made by Liz Ordiales and seconded by Jay Chastain. The Motion was unanimously adopted.

A Motion was made by Liz Ordiales, seconded by Kris Berrong to approve a Resolution to Adopt the Low Bid for the Hiawassee Meter Replacement Program. Contractor for meter replacement is Utility Water Systems. The Resolution was adopted unanimously.

A Motion was made by Liz Ordiales, seconded by Jay Chastain, to adopt a Resolution regarding Hiawassee Building Inspections. The Mayor shall issue Building Permits and enforce all Hiawassee Building Codes and Ordinances adopted by Hiawassee City Council within the City and that the City perform all City Inspections under supervision of Mayor. The Resolution was adopted unanimously.

A Motion to Quit Claim Real Estate to Stacy Sullens was held until the November Meeting Agenda.

A Motion was made by Anne Mitchell, seconded by Jay Chastain, Jr. approving the Ordinance to Adopt 2016 Millage Rate of 2.257%. Members voting in favor of the Rate Reduction were Jay Chastain, Jr., Anne Mitchell and Kris Berrong. Liz Ordiales voted against.

A Motion to approve the Resolution to Adopt the Hiawassee Job Descriptions, Classification and Annual Grade and Step Recommendations was made by Jay Chastain, and seconded by Anne Mitchell. The Council adopted the Resolution by unanimous vote.

A Motion was made by Anne Mitchell, and seconded by Liz Ordiales to go into Executive Session for an Attorney Interview.

David Syfan was interviewed in Executive Session.

After questioning and discussion, a Motion made by Liz Ordiales and seconded by Anne Mitchell to return to Public Session.

Anne Mitchell then moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Kris Berrong. The Meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote.

