

January 8, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Lara Edwards with prayer and salute to the flag. In attendance: Edwards, Lewis, Roddenberry, McClendon, and McKenzie.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented by the Clerk. Motion by Roddenberry, second by Lewis, passed 5/0.

2nd public hearing for **Ordinance 2018-01** – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOPCHOPPY, FLORIDA AMENDING THE CITY OF SOPCHOPPY LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE SECTION 119-239, OFF STREET PARKING REQUIREMENTS; PROVIDIING FOR SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. A motion to adopt the Ordinance was made by Edwards, second by Roddenberry, passed 5/0.

2nd public hearing for **Ordinance 2018-02** – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOPCHOPPY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING A FEE SCHEDULE FOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. A motion to adopt the Ordinance was made by Lewis, second by McKenzie, passed 5/0.

**Resolution 2018-01** - A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SOPCHOPPY, FLORIDA REQUESTING THAT THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WAKULLA COUNTY, FLORIDA AMEND ORDINANCE 2013-04, AS AMENDED, CREATING THE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM TO ALLOW THE PROGRAM TO OPERATE WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF AND PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO THE CITY OF SOPCHOPPY. The resolution was presented to the Council and after discussion the Council is not interested at this time.

Attorney Dan Cox and Public Works Director Leonard Tartt will continue to work on compiling data for Baskerville-Donovan for the hydraulic modeling of the water system. Once a preliminary report is received, Councilmember Lewis feels the Council should hold a workshop.

The financial and adjustment reports were approved by signature of the Council.

City Clerk, Ashley Schilling, received a request from Mayor Edwards to attend a conference, however Ms. Schilling also received a public records request regarding the amount of Councilmember travel being conducted and asked for guidance from the Board for future travel requests. Discussion involved allocating a set amount of funds per Member, assigning a line item in the budget for Council separate from staff, procedure for approval, etc. At this time, Council feels travel can be handled from one line item, no allocation, Board travel will be presented for approval at meetings, and the Clerk and Public Works Director will handle staff requests.

Mayor Edwards formally submitted a request to attend a Leadership Challenge conference in March. A motion to approve the travel was made by Lewis, second by Roddenberry.

Leonard Tartt informed the Council he received final clearance from DEP for the Casora project.

Mayor Edwards again addressed audio recording of the Council meetings. Ms. Edwards feels it would be beneficial and Councilman Roddenberry supported recording as well. Councilmembers Lewis and

McKenzie does not believe it to be necessary and Councilman McClendon feels the City is very transparent. Following the discussion between citizens and the Council, Mayor Edwards chose not to pursue the matter and Roddenberry feels it would not be beneficial at this time.

The Depot Park music pavilion project is in the process of going out for bid, the additional playground equipment has been installed, and Duke Energy has begun the lighting installation.

Councilman Roddenberry would like annual employee evaluations conducted. The Council was presented with a proposed evaluation form for review. Attorney Cox stated this is something the City could include in the revision of the policy manual.

Councilman McKenzie would like to address speed bumps downtown at a future meeting.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m. Motion by Roddenberry, second by Lewis.