June 23, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Mayor Leonard Tartt with prayer and salute to the flag. In attendance: Tartt, Westmark, Lewis, and McClendon.

Ann Barton presented a sponsorship request from Wakulla Elite Cheerleading. A **motion** was made by Westmark to give $250, seconded by McClendon, 4/0.

PWD Seth Green thanked Nancy Paul for her work towards the sale held at the SHS gym.

Derek Allen, Jr, presented a sponsorship request for WHS football. A **motion** was made by Westmark to give $500, seconded by Lewis, 4/0.

Dave Walter, SEH, continues to work on the water system resiliency improvements as well as the water system standards update. SEH hopes to have the final version of the resiliency improvements for Council review next month.

Attorney Dan Cox has not heard anything further from Eden Springs administration and stated the City should continue to plan for another well site in case an agreement can't be reached.

City Clerk Ashley Schilling presented **Resolution 2026-04** for consideration and adoption - A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Sopchoppy, Florida, Authorizing The Submittal Of A Special Category Grant Application To The Florida Department Of State, Division Of Historic Resources, For The Rehabilitation Of The Historic Sopchoppy High School; Designating An Authorized Signatory; Authorizing The Execution Of All Required Documents; And Providing For An Effective Date. The resolution was read by title only by Mayor Tartt. A **motion** to adoption the resolution was made by Westmark, seconded by McClendon, 4/0.

CC Schilling also presented **Resolution 2026-05** for consideration and adoption - A Resolution Of The City Commission Of The City Of Sopchoppy, Florida, Authorizing The Submittal Of A Rural Infrastructure Fund (Rif) Grant Application To The Florida Department Of Commerce For Waterline Upgrades To Increase Water System Capacity And Fire Flow Protection; Designating An Authorized Signatory; Authorizing The Execution Of All Required Documents; And Providing For An Effective Date. The resolution was read by title only by Mayor Tartt. A **motion** to adopt the resolution was made by Westmark, seconded by McClendon, 4/0.

Attorney Cox reported receiving the sewer agreement from the County and responded with the City's changes. The County has indicated the data supply procedure will not work for them. Mayor Tartt stated he has issue with the City not charging for the data. In the latest draft, Cox added an hourly rate if staff has to format the data to suit the County's needs.

Clerk Schilling spoke to a representative of Campspot.com regarding online camping reservations for Myron B. Hodge City Park. All fees (Campspot, campsite, bed tax, etc.) can be added to the cost of the reservation, thereby passing all expenses on to the customer. The website can block off a number of spots for campers that arrive without reservations. Councilwoman Westmark feels reservations will increase, but wear and tear on amenities will also increase and the City needs to continue to think toward the possibility of incorporating PWD Green's Park Coordinator position. Councilman Lewis stated this is the

first step to improve and upgrade the park. The City Council instructed the Clerk to proceed with contracting with campspot.com.

Mayor Tartt asked if there is a need to hold a workshop on the city park and fees. Councilman McClendon suggested looking at the park monthly and miscellaneous expenses over several years to calculate what the City should be charging for the sites.

The City Council canceled the July 28 meeting due to prior obligations of some staff and Council members.

Council will hold a budget workshop on August 18, at 3:00 p.m.

PWD Green reported that the contractors are working to meet the well 7 deadlines; PFAS action lawsuit samples have been pulled; and DEP has a new regulation for tapping saddle connections inventory that must be completed by 2027. However, if connections are marked as unknown, as a majority are under paved roadways, there will not be a deadline. Alan Hart will work with Green on the project.

Mayor Tartt reported that keeping the Depot bathrooms open 24/7 has created an issue with people messing them up, loitering, and using them as a bathhouse. Attorney Cox suggested programmable locks that are only accessible certain hours of the day/night, and Councilman McClendon suggested security cameras. Mayor Tartt asked staff to look into the programmable locks.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m. Motion by Lewis, seconded by McClendon, 4/0.