

December 14, 2015

The Sopchoppy Council met in regular session. In attendance, Mayor Martha Evans, Council persons: Lara Edwards, Glenn Rudd, Nathan Lewis and Becton Roddenberry. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. and led in a salute to the flag and prayer.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Glen Rudd, seconded by Lara Edwards approved 5/0.

Debbie Revell appeared before the Council to request a one-time reduction on a water account. A rental recently purchased by Ms. Revell on Sopchoppy Highway registered 10 days of unexplained water usage in the amount of \$454. The Council agreed on a motion by Lara Edwards, seconded by Becton Roddenberry to reduce the bill to the average usage.

Nathan Lewis made the motion that the city purchase a digital camera system from DSR to replace the outdated analog system which will include wide range cameras and cameras for areas that are not currently covered, motion seconded by Glenn Rudd and passed 5/0.

Staff presented a water rate analysis and recommendation on adjustment to the connection fees, fire hydrant cost and return check fees. Council agreed to address these changes by Ordinance and requested staff return to the next meeting with more information regarding any needs to raise water rates.

The Council approved the advertisement and description for the Clerk/Administrator's position with some changes. The position will be posted on the City's web site and advertised until January 22, 2016. The Clerk was instructed to perform the initial screening process for applicant qualification.

Water and Adjustment reports were approved as presented by signature.

The Council approved acceptance of a \$291,000 grant from NFWFMD to upgrade water lines and install fire hydrants on Casora Drive, Evalee Road and Glover Daddy Road.

The Council requested that winter rye be planted in the new city park to prevent erosion.

No further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:30.