

January 11, 2016

The City Council met in regular session. In attendance were Mayor Martha Evans, Councilpersons Lara Edwards and Nathan Lewis.

The meeting was opened with a salute to the flag and a prayer.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as presented. Edwards/Lewis, 3/0.

2<sup>ND</sup> Public Hearing and adoption of Ordinance 2015-06 – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SOPCHOPPY, FLORIDA, AMENDING THE CITY OF SOPCHOPPY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN BY AMENDING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT PURSUANT TO THE PROCEDURES OF THE COMMUNITY PLANNING ACT, CHAPTER 163, PART II, FLORIDA STATUTES; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. The Ordinance updates the Capital Improvement Plan from 2015-2020. The motion to adopt was made by Lara Edwards, seconded by Nathan Lewis and passed 3/0.

Lara Edwards made a motion to advertise for public meetings on the closing of an undeveloped section of Mill Street, from Bernard Avenue, east, one parcel, until street dead ends into private property and is no longer a platted street. Nathan Lewis seconded the motion, passed 3/0.

Lara Edwards made the motion to approve the financial reports and adjustments reports as presented, seconded by Nathan Lewis, passed 3/0. Edwards requested that the clerk include a copy of the check register with the monthly reports sent to the Council.

Leonard Tartt addressed to the Council on proceeding with stabilizing the street and parking area at the Depot Park. He suggested that the City hire Welch Land Clearing to begin the stabilization, and use the existing topo to level the park to building standards and then commence with erecting one of the picnic shelters and the bandstand. No vote was taken but the Council indicated they were in agreement with proceeding within the set budget amount.

Mr. Tartt also informed the Council that the City is in the process of repainting the Myron B. Hodge Park gazebo and pressure washing the small pavilion.

Lara Edwards addressed the need for the Council to close certain streets to thru traffic for the Annual Worm Gruntin Festival April 9, 2016. The Council agreed to close Rose Street to thru traffic from Winthrop Avenue to Municipal Avenue; Winthrop Avenue from Rose Street to Byrd Street and Railroad Avenue from Rose Street to Byrd Street. Hours of closing from 8:00 a.m. until booths close.

Nathan Lewis asked the staff to compile a list of major items that need addressing.

No further business the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.