

OFFICIAL MINUTES WORK SESSION

January 23, 2020
City Work Session
City of Clarkesville
Habersham County, Georgia
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The Work Session of the Clarkesville Mayor and City Council was held on Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at Clarkesville City Hall. Those present were Mayor Barrie Aycock, Council Members Steven Ward, Roxie Barron, Franklin Brown and Terry Gladden. Also present City Manager Keith Dickerson.

Item #1: *Call to order*

Mayor Barrie Aycock called the meeting to order.

Item #2: *Requested meeting with Lee & Myrna Owen to discuss possible purchase of 157 Mary Street property.*

Ms. Owen gave out packets that contained a real estate proposal to purchase the property and a cost estimate of turning the property into a residence.

City Manager Keith Dickerson informed the Mayor and Council that Gallagher & Bassett that is part of GIRMA Insurance came to evaluate the property. Mr. Dickerson said he would like to receive the information from them before a decision was made.

The Council made the decision to table the issue until they receive the report from the insurance company.

Item # 3: *Council to review the adopted 2020 General Fund Revenues*

City Manager Keith Dickerson informed the Mayor and Council that he had gone over the Revenue Funds and would like to suggest a few changes.

- 1. Real Property - Change to \$918,685.00**
- 2. Personal – Motor vehicle - decrease \$30,000.00**
- 3. SPLOST – Mr. Dickerson will check before making changes**
- 4. Occupation Tax – Change to \$25,000.00**
- 5. Insurance Premium – Change to \$138,000.00**
- 6. Alcohol License – Change to \$34,000.00**

Mr. Dickerson said the changes would increase the revenues around \$103,000.00. He will check on the SPLOST numbers before making the final changes. Mr. Dickerson will revise the totals so the Revenue Fund can be amended at the February Council Meeting.

Item #4: *Council to discuss the past due personal and real property tax digest*

Council Member Terry Gladden made a motion to hire Appalachian Mountain Service to start the process of collecting the delinquent taxes.

Second: Council Member Franklin Brown

Passed Unanimously

Item # 5: *Council to discuss roundabout lighting assistance*

Council Member Franklin Brown made a motion to sign the agreement for roundabout lighting as part of project #0013882.

Seconded: Council Member Steven Ward

Passed Unanimously

Item #6: *Council to discuss auto mower donation*

City Manager Keith Dickerson told the Mayor and Council that he was a fan of Smart Cities, wind power, and money saving techniques. Mr. Dickerson said he would like to donate an auto mower to the city. He would like to have the mower set-up in front of City Hall to show how it works and keep the grass cut. The mower cuts the grass rain or shine no man hours and very little cost.

Item #7: *Council to discuss date Ms. Gresham will be sworn in.*

Resolution states that Ms. Gresham will be sworn in at the April 6, 2020 Council Meeting. It was published in the paper that she would be sworn in on April 6. Council confirmed Ms. Gresham will be sworn in on April 6, 2020.

Item #8: *Discuss date of Council Retreat*

The Council Retreat is scheduled for April 17, 2020 at NGTC in the President House. The facilitator will be Gordon Maner.

Item #9: *Discuss the need for two six inch water meters*

City Manager Keith Dickerson explained to the Mayor and Council that there were two meters that were not metering correctly. Mr. Dickerson said the meters at Scovill and NGTC needed to be replaced. Mr. Dickerson informed the Mayor and Council that public works had scrap metal to sell that would help supplement the cost of the meters.

Council Member Steven Ward made a motion to purchase and install the meters.

Seconded: Council Member Terry Gladden

Passed Unanimously

Item #10: *Consider going into Executive Session*

Did not go into Executive Session.

Item #11: *Adjournment*

Council Member Steven Ward made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Seconded: Council Member Terry Gladden

Passed Unanimously

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Mayor Barrie Aycock adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenda Smith
City Clerk