

**REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2020**

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Washington, Georgia, held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, February 10, 2020, immediately following the Work Session at the Edward Pope Conference Center. Mayor William deGolian presided.

Present were Mayor deGolian and council members Armour, Cullars, Denard, Mahoney and Wagner. Also present were Interim City Administrator Cody, City Clerk Evans and City Attorney Adam Nelson. Absent council member Hill, was attending newly elected officials training in Tifton.

Visitors present are listed in the minutes of the Work Session held on February 10, 2020.

Call to order by Mayor deGolian. Evangelist Ameythst Wynn opened the meeting with prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by Andy Anderson.

AGENDA APPROVED: On motion by Mahoney, second by Armour, council approved 5 to 0 the meeting agenda, adding an item of payment, \$5299.00 in lue of taxes presented by M.V. Booker, who serves as chairman of the Washington Housing Authority. Booker also reported on ongoing after-school programs and she also noted that she has been in touch with Marcus Dill seeking grants and other funding for housing projects. She also mentioned there is also a problem with homelessness.

240TH PROCLAMATION: On motion by Denard, second by Cullars, council approved 5 to 0 proclamation recognizing the 240th Anniversary of the founding of the City of Washington.

MINUTES APPROVED: On motion by Armour, second by Cullars, council approved 5 to 0 minutes of previous meetings, December 9, 2019, December 19, 2019 January 13, 2020, January 17, 2020 and January 30, 2020 as presented.

TOPICS: On motion by Cullars, second by Mahoney, council approved 5 to 0, the meeting time for the City of Washington regular monthly council meeting as the second Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

TOWN SQUARE TOPICS: The Optimist Club request for the use of the square, April 4, 2020 for purposes of hosting a 5K, on motion by Armour, second by Wagner was approved unanimously. Request by the Fitzpatrick Hotel for the use of the square, April 24, 2020 for purposes of hosting a Makers Market, on motion by Denard, second by Cullars approved unanimously. Memory Lane Cruisers request the use of the square, May 9, 2020, on motion by Armour, second by Mahoney unanimously approved after questions answered in reference to the use of parking.

OTHER BUSINESS TOPICS: Consideration of replacing retiring City Clerk Debbie Danner as account signatory with Kim Evans, City Clerk for all City bank accounts, on motion by Denard, second by Mahoney, approved 5 to 0. To cancel City of Washington credit cards issued in the names of the previous Mayor and City Administrator and to issue new cards for Mayor deGolian and City Clerk Evans. On motion by Mahoney, second by Cullars, approved unanimously.

On motion by Mahoney, second by Denard to authorize Mayor deGolian to request and execute for submission of the Service Delivery Strategy with Wilkes County and the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, approved 5 to 0.

On motion by Cullars, second by Denard, approved unanimously to authorize the City Administrator to request a six month extension for the completion of the 2016 Community Development Block Redevelopment Grant to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. Interim Cody explained this grant.

2018 COMMUNITY HOME INVESTMENT PROGRAM(CHIP): Consideration of authorizing the City Administrator to rescind a previous request for Waiver of Conflict of Interest and to request additionally an extension for the completion of the 2018 Community Home Investment (CHIP) to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs. City of Washington will continue to receive revenue and Hands on Washington will receive draw downs. On motion by Cullars, second by Mahoney, approved 5 to 0.

Also, on motion by Cullars, second by Mahoney to request proposals regarding administering the 2018 CHIP grant on behalf of the City of Washington to Hands on Washington and authorizing Mayor deGolian to execute the Intergovernmental Agreement with Hands on Washington, approved 5 to 0.

CARTER & SLOOPE ENGINEERING: On motion by Cullars, second by Mahoney, approved 5 to 0 to approve the Proposal/Scope of Services between the City of Washington and Carter and Sloope Consulting Engineering authorizing Carter & Sloope to perform engineering services to prepare an application for renewal of the City's Surface Water Withdrawal Permit application and necessary documentation as required by the Georgia Department of Environmental Protection at a cost not to exceed \$13, 700 and authorize the City Administrator to execute said agreement.

ADJOURNMENT: On motion by Armour, second by Denard City Council Meeting adjourned at 6:36 PM.

_____ MAYOR

_____ CLERK