

**Public Hearing #2 of 3 – 11:30 am**

**July 10, 2018**

The City of Winterville has tentatively adopted a millage rate which will require an increase in property taxes by 4.35 percent. All concerned citizens are invited to the second of three public hearings on this tax increase to be held at City Hall on Tuesday July 10, 2018 at 11:30 am.

Mayor Ferrelle called the meeting to order at 11:30 am. There was no public in attendance. Mayor Ferrelle closed the Public Hearing at 11:35 am.

**Public Hearing #3 of 3 - 6:00 pm**

**July 10, 2018**

The City of Winterville has tentatively adopted a millage rate which will require an increase in property taxes by 4.35 percent. All concerned citizens are invited to the third of three public hearings on this tax increase to be held at City Hall on Tuesday July 10, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

Mayor Ferrelle called the meeting to order a 6:00 pm. One person signed up to speak. Mayor Ferrelle closed the Public Hearing at 6:04 pm.

**Public Hearing #3 of 5 – Charter Amendment**

**July 10, 2018**

A third public hearing, of five scheduled, to consider the enactment of an ordinance that amends the Charter of the City of Winterville that would remove the Charter’s restrictions that prevent the Mayor and City Council from granting licenses to sell spirituous, vinous, malt or other intoxicating liquors within the City of Winterville, and authorize the Mayor and City Council to issue licenses or permits for the sale or manufacture of distilled spirits, malt beverages or wine within the City of Winterville in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia and any rules, regulations and ordinances enacted by the City of Winterville.

Mayor Ferrelle called the Public Hearing to order at 6:30 pm. Several citizens of the community signed up to speak. All comments were heard and any questions were addressed by Mayor Ferrelle or City Attorney David Ellison. Mayor Ferrelle closed the Public Hearing a 6:51 pm.

**Regular Meeting - Minutes**

**July 10, 2018**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Winterville met at Winterville City Hall for the regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, July 10, 2018. Mayor Ferrelle called the meeting to order at 6:52 pm. Also present were Councilpersons Mark Farmer, Brenda Keen, Mary Quinn, Gary Snow, City Attorney David Ellison, and Municipal Clerk Wendy Bond.

The pledge of allegiance was recited by all present.

Approval of Minutes: Councilperson Snow moved to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2018 regular City Council meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Quinn. All votes were in favor and the minutes were approved.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

The First Item of New Business: Mayor Ferrelle read aloud an Athens-Clarke County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2018-2023 Resolution to be adopted by the City. Councilperson Farmer moved to adopt the resolution as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Quinn. All votes were in favor.

The Second Item of New Business: Mayor Ferrelle called for a vote to adopt the 2018 Millage Rate for City property taxes. Councilperson Snow moved to hold the millage rate at 2.9 mils for the year of 2018 property taxes. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Keen. All votes were in favor. The millage rate has remained the same for 19 years.

The Third Item of New Business: Councilperson Farmer moved that the City Council adopt an ordinance so that the Charter of the City of Winterville shall be amended to delete the following from Section 25 in its entirety:

“The Mayor and City Council shall be forever prohibited from granting license in any form to anyone to sell spirituous, vinous, malt or other intoxicating liquors within said City of Winterville, and the said Mayor and City Council shall have right and authority to pass an ordinance prohibiting anyone from keeping any kind of intoxicants for the purpose of illegal sale within the corporate limits of said city.”

And to substitute the following words in lieu thereof:

“The Mayor and City Council shall be authorized to grant licenses or permits to persons to sell or manufacture distilled spirits, malt beverages, or wine within the City of Winterville in accordance with the laws of the State of Georgia and any rules, regulations and ordinances enacted by the City of Winterville.”

Any portion of the Charter in conflict with this ordinance amending the Charter of the City of Winterville is hereby repealed, and this amendment to the charter is subject to final approval at the next regular meeting of the Mayor and City Council Tuesday August 14, 2018 6:30 pm. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Quinn. All votes were in favor.

The Fourth Item of New Business: L.C. Culbertson has presented Mayor and Council a proposal of his business Off-the-Vine Produce. He has offered to take the old tandem bicycles, property of the City and currently in storage, and refurbish them for rental and use from his place of business. A portion of the rental fees would be returned to the city. Pending further discussion and review by City, Councilperson Quinn moved to table this item. The motion was seconded by Member Snow. All votes were in favor.

The Fifth Item of New Business: Councilperson Snow moved to table a discussion and vote pending more information on the purchase of any flashing speed limit signs as a permanent solution to the current issues with speeding and pedestrian safety. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Farmer. All votes were in favor.

The Sixth Item of New Business: Councilperson Quinn moved to table discussion and vote regarding the Fire Hall door/opener pending further review. The motion was seconded by Member Keen. All votes were in favor.

The Seventh Item of New Business: Councilperson Keen moved to table discussion and vote regarding Code Enforcement fines/fees pending further information. The motion was seconded by Member Quinn. All votes were in favor.

Committee Reports:

Public Finance – Clerk Bond provided a financial report for the year to date ending June 30, 2018. Copies are available for public review.

Winterville Community Center – No report.

Police Department – No report.

Fire Department – Chief Michael Gabriel stated the WVFD SUV is currently being serviced.

Public Works – Tom Doonan reported the new mower is very nice.

Library Report – Shialoh Wilson reported the Winterville Branch Manager vacancy has been filled and the new Librarian, DeLane Phillips will begin on Monday July 16<sup>th</sup>. There are currently 3 vacancies on the Winterville Library Advisory Board.

Clerk’s Report – No additional report.

City Attorney’s Report –David Ellison had no additional report.

Mayor’s Report – Mayor Ferrelle gave an informal verbal report to the attending public.

Public Comment –None.

Councilperson Farmer moved to adjourn at 7:30 pm. The motion was seconded by Councilperson Snow. All votes were in favor.

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