## CITY OF WHIGHAM COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 12, 2019

The Whigham City Council met in regular session, Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 7:00 PM in the Whigham Council Chambers with Mayor George Trulock presiding. Trulock opened the meeting with a prayer and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Council members present were: Dusty Brown, Trey Gainous, Ashley King, Jim Sellers and Joel Singletary. Others present were: Jean Strickland, Israel Kirkland, Utility Director Josh Ausburn, Police Chief Tony Black, and City Clerk Lisa Calhoun.

Councilman Ashley King presented his resignation as City Councilman effective this date.

<u>Agenda Adoption</u> – Motion by Trey Gainous to adopt the agenda as presented. Second by Jim Sellers. All in favor. Motion carried.

<u>Approval of the Minutes</u> – Motion to approve the October minutes was made by Dusty Brown. Motion was seconded by Ashley King. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

<u>Reports</u> – Mayor Trulock updated the Council on issues with the wells. Last month school well was taking twice as long to fill up as woods well. Rowe Drilling wanted to dead head the woods well. Woods well quit working. Ended up working on the woods well because apparently when the well was put in years ago someone nicked a wire. They also pulled the school well and replaced pump and motor. The cost to repair the wells was @ \$7700 for the woods well and @\$14,200 for the school well.

Mayor Trulock thanked Ashley King for his service to the City of Whigham. King responded that he has enjoyed his time on the Council and it has been his pleasure.

The Mayor told the Council Electric Cities of Georgia President & CEO John Giles has asked that the City consider putting the ECG FY19 year-end settlement and contract repayment into the newly created ECG Member Reserve Fund. The fund would pay bank interest rates and would also improve ECG's financial status. Motion was made by Jim Sellers to deposit the ECG year-end settlement refund (\$922.41) & the contract payment re-imbursement (\$126.29) into the ECG Member Reserve Fund. Trey Gainous seconded the motion. Motion carried.

City Hall Report – City Christmas party December 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM at the Whigham Community Club. Need RSVP by December 6<sup>th</sup>. - Turkey Shoot November 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM at Roundup Grounds. - Contractor came by to look at Old Museum Building that was damaged by motorist accident. Mayor, City Clerk, and Utility Director think we need to redo the front of the adjoining Utility Director's office as well. Contractor to get a quote on additional work. - Verizon has decided to go in a different direction with their cell tower request. Verizon will try to attach to the existing tower on PR Anders Lane. - Catherine Addison hardship variance has expired and will be on the agenda for the December meeting.

City of Whigham Council Minutes November 12, 2019 <u>New Business</u> – 2019 Millage Rate – Motion made by Trey Gainous to set the 2019 millage rate at 5.792 mills. Motion was seconded by Dusty Brown. Gainous, Brown, King, Sellers, and Singletary all voted in favor of the motion. Motion carried.

MEAG Power Off System Sales – Motion by Trey Gainous to deposit 100% of the 2019 Off System Sales Margins into the Flexible Operating Account – Short Term Portfolio. Joel Singletary seconded the motion. Gainous, Singletary, Brown, King, and Sellers voted in favor. Motion carried.

<u>Adjournment</u> – Motion at 7:32 PM to adjourn by Ashley King, seconded by Trey Gainous. All members voted in favor. Motion carried.

Submitted

Approved