

CITY OF COMER REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
August 6, 2018 – 6:00 PM
MAYOR BLACKMON PRESIDING

Council Members Present: Laquita Bridges, Jimmy Yarbrough and Ron Farren

City Clerk: Stephen H. Sorrells

Election Superintendent: Katie Crane

Police Chief: Dennis Bell

Police Officer: Alan Stratton

City Attorney: Jim Roberts

Mayor Blackmon called the meeting to order.

- 1. Minutes:** Motion by Council Member Yarbrough to approve the minutes of the July 2, 2018 City of Comer Regular Council Meeting. Motion second by Council Member Farren. Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.
- 2. Department Reports:** Police Chief Dennis Bell reported on the number of calls in July. He specifically noted the minimum calls for vandalism that was prevalent in other jurisdictions. He reported that the school traffic was being controlled effectively by the Comer Police. He mentioned the excellent training provided regional law enforcement officers through the Governors Office of Highway Safety meeting sponsored by the Comer Police Department. Efforts to enforce the seat belt and device hands free law were also mentioned.
- 3. CourtWater Software:** Progress in implementing the court software system was discussed.
- 4. LMIG Application for 2019:** The 2019 LMIG application was submitted to GDOT.
- 5. Parking Lot Adjacent to City Hall:** Motion by Council Member Yarbrough to clear the parking lot adjacent to city hall to prepare for improvements to the lot. Motion second by Council Member Farren. Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.
- 6. September City of Comer Regular Council Meeting:** General consensus of Council was to reschedule the September 3, 2018 City of Comer Regular Council Meeting to September 10, 2018 at 6PM to avoid the Labor Day holiday.
- 7. Property Tax History of Levy:** Council reviewed the draft of the 5 year history of levy and the General Consensus was to publicized the history as presented.
- 8. Special Election:** Discussed.

9. School Resource Officer: Mayor reported on a meeting with Madison County School Officials concerning the shortage of personnel that would be available to serve as a School Resource Officer(SRO) at the Comer Elementary School. General consensus of council was to allow Comer Police Officers to serve as the SRO.

10. Recent Rodeo Event: Discussed.

11. Executive Session: Motion by Council Member Yarbrough to go into executive session for the purpose of consideration of property acquisition and personnel issue. Motion second by Council Member Farren. Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.

Motion by Council Yarbrough to go out of executive session. Motion second by Council Member Farren. Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.

Adjourn: Motion by Council Member Farren to adjourn. Motion second by Council Member Yarbrough. Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.

_____ Jody Blackmon, Mayor

_____ Stephen H. Sorrells, City Clerk

_____ Date Approved