

CITY OF COMER REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
February 6, 2017 - 6 PM
MAYOR BLACKMON PRESIDING

Council Members Present: Laquita Bridges, Beth Johnston and Jimmy Yarbrough

City Clerk: Stephen H. Sorrells

Assistant City Clerk: Katie Crane

Public Works Superintendent: Willis Gabriel

Police Chief: Kyle Roberts

City Attorney: Jim Roberts

Mayor Blackmon called the meeting to order.

1. Minutes: Motion by Council Member Bridges to approve the minutes of the January 16, 2017 City of Comer Regular Council Meeting. Motion second by Council Member Johnston. Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.

2. Department Reports: Police Chief Kyle Roberts introduced Officer Josh Smith as a recently hired full time Police Officer. He reported on the number of calls for service in January and noted that the call volume was up about 30% over the previous year, a trend that is consistent with other law enforcement agencies in the area.

Chief Roberts presented an intergovernmental contract reviewed and edited by the City of Comer Attorney Jim Roberts that would allow Madison County Magistrate Judge David Patton perform bond hearings. Motion by Council Member Yarbrough that the City of Comer Mayor and Council Resolve to approve an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Madison County Magistrate Judge David Patton that would allow Judge Patton to perform bond hearings for the City of Comer at a cost of \$35 per hearing. Motion second by Council Member Bridges. Motion approved and resolution adopted by unanimous vote of Council.

Public Works Superintendent Gabriel thanked Mayor and Council for their condolences during his time of bereavement following the death of his father.

Mr. Gabriel reported that the water system was doing good and he was spending a considerable amount of time locating old galvanized lines in the system. He also reported that he had not received the new Sewer Permit from EPD.

3. Line of Credit Resolution: Motion by Council Member Johnston to approve a resolution authorizing Mayor Blackmon to establish a line of credit. Motion second by Council Member Bridges. Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.

4. Brickyard Road Loop Resolution: Motion by Council Member Bridges to approve a resolution accepting a bid from Cedar Farm and Construction, Inc. to construct a water main from Brickyard Rd over to the area of Highway 72 West. Motion second by Council Member Yarbrough. Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.

5. Special Election: Elections Superintendent Katie Crane reported on the qualifying for the upcoming Special Election.

6. GEFA Project: Mayor Blackmon reported that the GEFA project Notice to Proceed was April 3, 2017.

7. Audit for 2016: Discussed.

Motion by Council Member Johnston to adjourn. Motion second by Council Member Bridges.
Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.

_____ Jody Blackmon, Mayor

_____ Stephen H. Sorrells, City Clerk

_____ Date Approved

Subject to Council Approval