

CITY OF COMER REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
June 6, 2016 - 6 PM
MAYOR PRO TEM YARBROUGH PRESIDING

Council Members Present: Beth Johnston, and Michael Poole

City Clerk: Stephen H. Sorrells

Public Works Superintendent: Willis Gabriel

Police Chief: Dennis Bell

City Attorney: Jim Roberts

Mayor Pro Tem Yarbrough called the meeting to order.

1. Minutes: Motion by Council Member Poole to approve the minutes of the May 2, 2016 City of Comer Regular Council Meeting. Motion second by Council Member Johnston. Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.

2. Department Reports: Police Chief Dennis Bell presented a report on the number of calls, incidents, arrests, citations, warrants, and community policing for the month of May. Chief Bell updated Council on Police Department staffing.

Public Works Superintendent Gabriel reported on water leaks, the completed Hill St water line, and the bulk water sale for May. He reported that the well productions were good. He reported on the sewer discharge numbers and related to Council that GDOT officials had approached him about a dip in Highway 98 E near the Laurel Avenue intersection.

4. GEFA Loan 2016: Council discussed the progress of the GEFA Loan. General consensus was to prepay for additional water meters and go ahead and change out meters that will not require any service line work during the upcoming GEFA project.

5. Last Blast for 2016: Discussed.

6. Highway 72 Bypass: Discussed.

7. Comer Lions Club-Sidewalk Request: The Comer Lions Club requested that Council consider constructing sidewalks from the downtown area, along Main Street(SR 22) out to the Lions Club Fair Grounds. Others spoke in favor of the project noting a considerable number of residents that walk along this section of the highway. Council discussed right of way and construction issues as well as a possible link to the Safe Routes to School Program.

8. July 2016 Council Meeting: Motion by Council Member Poole to reschedule the July 2016 Council Meeting to Monday, July 11th. Motion second by Council Member Johnston. Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.

9. Limb Pile on Arnold Park: Mr. David McCannon expressed concern over the use of the portion of Arnold Park across from his home for piling and burning of limbs.

10. Comments About Comer Community: Mr. Don Mosley spoke briefly about the cooperation between the City of Comer, the Comer community, and Jubilee Partners over the years.

11. Executive Session: Motion by Council Member Poole to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel and potential property acquisition. Motion second by Council Member Johnston. Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.

Motion by Council Member Poole to go out of executive session. Motion second by Council Member Johnston. Motion approved by unanimous vote of Council.

12. Council Member Resignation: Council Member Poole submitted his resignation citing the reason that he was moving from Comer.

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

_____ Jody Blackmon, Mayor

_____ Stephen H. Sorrells, City Clerk

_____ Date Approved