

CITY OF COMER REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
October 15, 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

City Attorney: Jim Roberts

Mayor Blackmon called the meeting to order.

1. Minutes: Motion by Council Member Yarbrough to approve the minutes of the September 10, 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 Bell reported on the number of traffic stops, calls for service, and citations in September. He reported that the school traffic control was going well and that the Comer Police would be serving as the Comer Elementary School Resource Officer during times when the position cannot be staffed by the Madison County Sheriff's Office . He reported on Federal Grants that the Comer Police will be receiving.

Chief Bell reported on recent events where local alcohol vendors reportably sold alcohol to minors.

City Clerk reported that the hydrant flush was begun early on October 15th and should be completed on October 16th.

3. Siren at City Hall: City Clerk reported that siren tests would be performed on Wednesday, November 7th at 12 Noon and on Saturday, December 1, 2018 at 2 PM.

4. Parking Lot Update: Draft of plans for the layout of the parking lot adjacent to city hall were reviewed by Council.

5. 2019 City of Comer Budget Approval Process: Council discussed having a public hearing on the expenditure of 2019 City of Comer General and Water Funds at 5:30 PM prior to the November Regular Council Meeting.

6. Trees and Shrubbery in the Downtown: General consensus of Council was to have vegetation removed from the downtown if it was limiting site distance for motorist.

7. Roof on Barns: The need to replace tin on the roofs of some of the buildings near the downtown gazebo were discussed.

8. Early Voting: Mayor Blackmon reported that early voting began on October 15th.

9. County Water System Expansion: Plans for the expansion of the county water system and how those plans would affect the City of Comer were discussed.

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

_____ Jody Blackmon, Mayor

_____ Stephen H. Sorrells, City Clerk

_____ Date Approved

Subject to Council Approval