**TOWN OF WILLIAMSTON**

**Special Called Meeting**

**June 12, 2017**

**Meeting Minutes**

(All newspapers were informed of this meeting in compliance with the guidelines set forth in the Freedom of Information Act)

1. Call to Order

Mayor Durham called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. All Council Members were present.

1. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Chief Taylor led the Invocation, and the Mayor led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1. Public Comments

None.

1. 2nd Reading on the 2017-2018 Budget Ordinance

Councilman Burgess made a motion to pass the ordinance as presented. Councilman

Hagood seconded the motion for discussion. After much discussion, the vote failed

unanimously.

1. Executive Session on Personnel Matter

Councilman Burgess made a motion to enter executive session. The motion was

Seconded by Mayor Durham. All voted in favor. A motion was made by Mayor

Durham to return to regular session. The motion was seconded by Councilman

Burgess. All voted in favor. No action was taken.

1. Action taken on Items Discussed in Executive Session

A motion was made by Mayor Durham to reconsider the Budget Ordinance on 2nd

reading. The budget includes a tax increase of 2.5 mills. The motion was seconded by

Councilman Hagood. The voted passed with Councilman Harvell opposing. A motion was

made by Mayor Durham to amend the budget ordinance to move the increase in the police

budget to a contingency line item. This would be the salaries and benefits line items. The

motion was seconded by Councilman Burgess. All voted in favor. Then, a motion was

made by Councilman Alexander to amend the Main Street budget to remain at a total of

$70,000, which would Include the salary to be $42,000 plus benefits. The motion was

seconded by Councilman Burgess. The vote passed with Councilman Harvell opposing. The

Mayor made a motion to pass the 2017-2018 Budget Ordinance as amended with the

proposed changes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hagood. The vote passed with

Councilman Harvell and Councilman Burgess opposing.

1. Adjourn

A motion was made by Mayor Durham to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hagood. All voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

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DR. R. MACK DURHAM, MAYOR

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MICHELLE STARNES, CLERK / TREASURER