

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTON

Regular Meeting

March 5, 2018

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 members of Council were present.

2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Councilman Hagood led the invocation, and Mayor Durham led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Councilman Hagood to accept the February 5, 2018 minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander. Everyone voted in favor.

4. Public Comments

Public comments were heard from Shirley Mitchell and Ronald Rowe.

5. Presentations

Chief Taylor gave an update on the police department. Sonya Crandall updated the Council on the Envision Williamston program, and presented the winners of the mural contest. Community Liaison, Debbie Chapman, gave a report to Council on Code Enforcement for the month.

6. Second Reading on an Ordinance Allocating Funds for Indigent Defense

A motion was made by Mayor Durham to pass the Ordinance on second reading. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hagood for discussion. The vote failed with everyone opposing, but Mayor Durham. The Town Attorney asked the Council to consider amending the agenda to discuss this matter in executive session. Mayor Durham made a motion to discuss in executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hagood. All voted in favor.

7. Second Reading on an Ordinance Repealing Accessory Land Use Regulations

Councilman Burgess made a motion to pass the ordinance on second reading. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander. Everyone voted in favor.

8. Second Reading on an Ordinance Authorizing the Lease of the Armory Building

A motion was made by Mayor Durham to table this item until next meeting.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Hagood. Everyone voted in favor.

9. First Reading on 2018 Election Ordinance

A motion was made by Councilman Hagood to accept the Ordinance on first reading

The motion was seconded by Councilman Burgess. Everyone voted in favor.

10. Executive Session

Mayor Durham made a motion to enter into executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander. This was to discuss a contractual matter, and the Indigent Defense item that was on the agenda. Everyone voted in favor. Mayor Durham made a motion to re-enter into public session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hagood. Everyone voted in favor. A motion was made by Councilman Alexander to reconsider Item One on the Agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Harvell. Everyone voted in favor. After that, a motion was made by Mayor Durham to pass the Ordinance on second reading. The motion was seconded by Councilman Alexander. Everyone voted in favor.

11. Adjourn

A motion was made by Mayor Durham to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hagood. Everyone voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m.

DR. R. MACK DURHAM, MAYOR

MICHELLE STARNES, CLERK / TREASURER