## Town of Alto **Regular Meeting** August 13, 2019 **Minutes**

Those in attendance:

**Audrey Turner, Mayor Carolyn Cabe, Mayor Pro-tem Eddie Palmer, Council Post 4** PJ Huggins, Council Post 5 Josh Ivev, Police Chief Joe Davidson, Building Official Lisa Turner, Finance Officer **Penny Rogers, Town Clerk** 

The Alto Town Officials held the regular council meeting on August 13, 2019 preceded by a work session at 6:30pm to discuss current finances, annexations and the new test well site. The two young boys that spray painted signs all over Town came before the Officials and apologized for their actions. The meeting was then called to order by Mayor Audrey Turner. The invocation was delivered by **Councilman Eddie Palmer.** 

Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to accept the agenda. Pro-tem Carolyn Cabe seconded the motion. Approved by all.

The minutes of the July 9, 2019 meeting were presented for approval. Councilman Eddie Palmer made a motion to accept the minutes. Councilwoman PJ Huggins seconded the motion. Approved by all.

## **New Business:**

The Jail Bond Referendum was presented by Habersham BOC Phil Sutton, Stacy Hall, Sheriff Joey Terrell and Captain Les Hendrix. The conditions of the current jail, overcrowding, non-compliance regulations and all the details of why a new facility is needed was explained. Overall cost will be \$31,628,143 which is \$71 yearly per homeowner. The referendum will be on the upcoming November 5<sup>th</sup> ballot.

Councilman Eddie Palmer made a motion to adopt the Small Cell Ordinance, updated version to replace the old one with any new laws to regulate the placement of small wireless facilities. Pro-tem Carolyn Cabe seconded the motion.

Approved by all.

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Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to table the Alcohol Ordinance. Protem Carolyn Cabe seconded the motion. Approved by all.

Pro-tem Carolyn Cabe made a motion to approve the Sales Tax Information Disclosure. Councilman Eddie Palmer seconded the motion. Approved by all.

The upcoming Election was discussed next stating the four seats on the ballot. Qualifying begins Monday, August 19<sup>th</sup> through Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>.

Old Business: None

**Recommendations from Officers, Departments, and Attorneys:** 

Chief Josh Ivey presented monthly Police Department totals.

Mayor Turner inquired if the Open House could be in October, date will be set later.

## Public comments:

Charlotte Kimbrell asked if copies of the Ordinances passed were available to citizens, she was told yes anytime.

Councilman Eddie Palmer made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman PJ Huggins seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 pm. Approved by all.

**Respectfully submitted by:** 

Penny Rogers Town Clerk