

**Town of Alto
Regular Meeting
August 13, 2024
Minutes**

Those in attendance:

**Gail Armour, Mayor
Eddie Palmer, Pro-tem
PJ Huggins, Post 1
James Turner, Post 2
Allen Fox, Post 3
Debbie Turner, Post 5
Officer Noah Hart
Penny Rogers, Town Clerk
Absent: Josh Ivey, Lisa Turner**

Town Officials held the regular council meeting on August 13, 2024 preceded by a work session at 6:00pm to discuss current projects: Mayor Armour read words of encouragement from Psalm 145; Hab Co Hazard Mitigation Resolution needed to be added to the agenda, this has to be adopted to receive FEMA funding; quotes were presented for playground equipment and additions; everyone was in agreement to install a metal carport type structure at the playground like the one already there instead of a wooden gazebo, this was handed over to Councilwoman PJ Huggins to handle and the swings were handed over to Councilwoman Debbie Turner to handle; playground under Old Business would be tabled from the agenda; the leaking generators at the PD and Wheeler well have been handled; auditors will be contacting CFO soon to set up date; bids have been sent out for the Apple Pie Ridge project; SAFEbuilt has been contacted concerning the termination of service with 90 day notice; speedbump on Guston St questioned, limbs at Cook St, city truck tail light, STOP sign knocked down, cars laying black marks and animal control concerning wild animals, were all briefly mentioned.

Mayor Gail Armour called the meeting to order. The invocation was delivered by Eddie Palmer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Armour stated a couple changes needed to be done to the agenda: © Habersham Co. Hazard Mitigation Resolution needed to be added under New Business and under Old Business (a) Playground, needed to be tabled. Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to accept the agenda with the changes. Councilwoman Debbie Turner seconded the motion. Approved by all.

The minutes of the July 9, 2024 meeting were presented for approval. Councilman James Turner made a motion to accept the minutes. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer seconded the motion. Approved by all.

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New Business:

Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to exit the meeting and go into Closed Executive Session regarding Real Estate pursuant to O.C.G.A. 50-14-3(4) and Personnel pursuant to O.C.G.A. 50-14-3 (6). Pro-tem Eddie Palmer seconded the motion. Approved by all.

Officials exited the room and went into Executive Session.

Officials came back into the room. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to re-enter the meeting. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion.

Approved by all.

Mayor Armour stated that no action was taken in the Executive Session.

Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to contact Attorney Syfan to begin the process of advertising the Cedar Creek property for sale with sealed bids at a minimum of \$40K. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer seconded the motion. Approved by all.

Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to adopt the Habersham County Hazard Mitigation Resolution. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion.

Approved by all.

Old Business: None

Recommendations from Officers, Departments, and Attorneys:

Officer Noah Hart presented monthly Police Department and Probation totals.

Public comments: None

Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Debbie Turner seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:34pm. Approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by:

**Penny Rogers
Town Clerk**