

**Town of Alto
Regular Meeting
January 14, 2020
Minutes
(Work Session 6:30)
(Public Hearing 6:45)**

Those in attendance:

**Audrey Turner, Mayor
James Turner, Council Post 2
Allen Fox, Council Post 3
Eddie Palmer, Council Post 4
PJ Huggins, Council Post 5
Josh Ivey, Police Chief
Lisa Turner, Finance Officer
Penny Rogers, Town Clerk
Absent: Carolyn Cabe, Mayor Pro-tem**

A work session was held at 6:30 preceding the regular meeting with a public hearing for the 2020 Budget at 6:45pm. The news release statement concerning the closing of Mt. Vernon Mills was discussed (see attachment). The meeting was then called to order by Mayor Audrey Turner. The invocation was delivered by Eddie Palmer.

**The agenda was presented to the Council for approval. Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to approve. Councilman Allen Fox seconded the motion.
Approved by all.**

**The minutes of the Meeting on December 10, 2019 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:

Attorney David Syfan swore in incumbents Audrey Turner as Mayor and Eddie Palmer Post 4. He swore in James Turner in Post 2 and he joined the Officials.

**Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to adopt the resolution to elect Eddie Palmer as Mayor Pro-tem for 2020. Councilman Allen Fox seconded the motion.
Approved by all.**

Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to re-appoint Josh Ivey as Police Chief, Robert Sneed as Judge, David Syfan as Attorney and Joe Davidson as Building Official. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion. Approved by all.

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Councilman Allen Fox made a motion to adopt the Repeal Residential Rental Registration Ordinance. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer seconded the motion.

Approved by all.

Councilman Allen Fox made a motion to adopt the Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement with Habersham and Banks County. Councilwoman PJ Huggins seconded the motion.

Approved by all.

The first presentation of the 2020 Budget was presented by CFO Lisa Turner at the Public Hearing, it will be adopted at the February meeting.

Old Business: None

Recommendations from Officers, Departments, and Attorneys:

Josh Ivey presented the monthly police totals to the officials.

Mayor Turner stated that the Town will be working with Work Force Development after the closing of Mt. Vernon Mills to provide Job fairs and education for the employees that lost their jobs.

Public comments: None

Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by:

**Penny Rogers
Town Clerk**