

**Town of Alto  
Regular Meeting  
June 14, 2022  
Minutes**

**Those in attendance:**

**PJ Huggins, Mayor**

**Eddie Palmer, Pro-tem**

**James Turner, Council Post 2**

**Josh Ivey, Chief of Police**

**Penny Rogers, Town Clerk**

**Absent: Allen Fox, Council Post 3 – Lisa Turner, CFO**

The Town Officials had a work session beginning at 6:00pm in which items on the agenda were discussed. Ringo McCollum and Eddie Moore from Safebuilt made a presentation to the Officials concerning Building Inspections and Code Enforcement services. They will get us a fee schedule and more information next week. Bureau Veritas and Habersham County IGA was also discussed for potential inspection services. Details of the rental of the Community Center for parties and events were discussed. It should be ready to begin next month. Mayor Huggins and James Turner will work on Banks County side for annexation while Pro-tem Eddie Palmer and Allen Fox will work on the Habersham County side. The entire water system will be flushed according to EPD requirements on June 27-30. It's posted on FB and in the papers while flyers are at City Hall for everyone that comes in. Amos Smith requested to have a fundraiser on October 1<sup>st</sup> with a car show. He stated that they were giving away free plates on Saturday June 18<sup>th</sup> at the Big Lots parking lot in Cornelia to anyone needing a meal or is homeless. There will be a Special Called Joint Meeting on June 28<sup>th</sup> at 6pm for the Habersham Roads & Bridges TSPLOST in the community room at HEMC. Mayor Huggins asked if anyone would attend. If more than 2 officials participate, we must advertise a Special Called Meeting.

Officials then went into the regular council meeting at 7pm. The meeting was called to order by Mayor PJ Huggins. The invocation was delivered by Eddie Palmer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was presented to the Council for approval. Mayor Huggins stated that (f) Amos Smith, needed to be added to the agenda. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion. Approved by all.

The minutes of the May 10, 2022, 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:**

Mayor Huggins stated that the Building Inspection Services and Permit rates would be decided once Safebuilt presents a fee schedule next week.

Under the Community Center rental, Mayor Huggins informed everyone that it should possibly be ready by next month. Alto residents will only have to put up a \$125 deposit that is refundable if all requirements are met. All others will have rental fees.

Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to adopt the Banks County IGA. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion. Approved by all.

Chief Josh Ivey presented the first reading of the Special Elections Ordinance.

Amos Smith requested that the Town allow him to have a fundraiser with a Car Show on October 1<sup>st</sup> at the Community Center and park. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to approve the request. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion. Approved by all.

**Old Business: None**

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

Chief Josh Ivey presented the monthly totals for the police department.

Councilman James Turner asked about the date the permit would expire on the BC Grant Road waterline upgrade project. He was told that we would find out and let him know.

**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 7:18pm. Approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by:

Penny Rogers  
Town Clerk