

**Town of Alto
Regular Meeting
June 13, 2023
Minutes**

Those in attendance:

**PJ Huggins, Mayor
Eddie Palmer, Pro-tem
Carolyn Cabe, Post 1
James Turner, Post 2
Allen Fox, Post 3
Debbie Turner, Post 5
Josh Ivey, Chief of Police
Sean Rogers, Officer
Penny Rogers, Town Clerk
Absent: Lisa Turner, CFO/HR**

The Town Officials had a work session beginning at 6:00pm in which items on the agenda and current projects were discussed: Called Meeting on June 26th at 6pm to approve the final 2022 budget amendment per Audit; June 29th GMRC meeting in Blairsville, need someone to attend; July 20th at 6pm Town Hall Meeting held by Habersham Comprehensive Plan; Councilman Allen Fox inquired of and voiced his suggestion for the unused, costly assets the Town owns to be sold: vehicles, trailers, vacant land at Cedar Creek and Grant St, old City Hall, gas pumps at PD, etc. After a discussion, it was agreed upon that the lot at Cedar Creek should one of the first things to go; It was mentioned that the Dollar General is moving locations and that may be a future possibility for a Town purchase to move City Hall and/or PD; another suggestion was to open up the council/court room for the senior citizens to have interactions weekly, Habersham Senior Center will be contacted to get information on this possibility; Quotes for Summit Drive 2 phase road project was discussed: Thomason quoted \$99,250.00 and Ryals quoted \$116,502, this is covered by the LMIG and American Rescue Funds; American Water put in quotes for weekly and/or monthly water test, inspections, reports, etc. This is for a backup plan in case it is needed in the future. It was agreed on to revisit in October; Spring Fling date for next year is moved to May 4, 2024 while Clean-up Day was moved to April 13th with a rain date of April 20th.

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. Councilman Allen Fox made a motion to approve the agenda. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion.

Approved by all.

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The minutes of the May 9, 2023, meeting were presented for approval. Councilman James Turner made a motion to accept the minutes. Councilwoman Carolyn Cabe seconded the motion. Approved by all.

New Business:

Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to accept the quote from Thomason Construction for the 2-phase road project on Summit Drive for \$99,250.00. Councilman Allen Fox 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. It was stated that the new tag readers increased citations by 20-25%. Mayor Huggins asked Chief Ivey if a monthly report could be turned in from probation.

Public comments: None

Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilwoman Debbie Turner seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm. Approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by:

**Penny Rogers
Town Clerk**