

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

**Those in attendance:**

**Gail Armour, Mayor  
Eddie Palmer, Mayor Pro-tem  
James Turner, Council Post 2  
Allen Fox, Council Post 3  
Debbie Turner, Council Post 5  
Josh Ivey, Police Chief  
Lisa Turner, CFO/HR  
Penny Rogers, Town Clerk**

**A work session was held at 6:00 concerning current issues: CFO Lisa Turner went over the handouts on permit and inspection cost updates recommended by iWorQ's software. This software will integrate SAFEbuilt, the PD and the permits at City Hall to keep all in the loop and on the same page; there was a discussion concerning the increase in the fees; Habersham County Comprehensive Plan Resolution was read; Chief Ivey stated that the changes on the Banks County Mutual Aid Agreement was article 9 (30 days in writing to end agreement), article 10 (instead of every 2 years, it'll be every 4 years), and article 11 (add verbiage for state requirements); Councilman Fox inquired if we could have work session at 6 with meeting to immediately follow instead of waiting until 7? It was pointed out that the Charter states when the meeting shall begin and on which day, to change the Charter takes an act of the Legislatures; Pro-tem Eddie Palmer informed the Officials that he would be looking for a new truck for the water department and checking Fleet prices.**

**Mayor Gail Armour called the meeting to order. Pastor Scott Ledbetter delivered the invocation. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer led the Pledge of Allegiance.**

**The agenda was presented to the Council for approval. Councilwoman Debbie Turner made a motion to approve. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion. Approved by all.**

**Councilman Allen Fox made a motion to accept the minutes from the meeting of January 09, 2024. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer seconded the motion.**

**Approved by all.**

**New Business:**

**Councilman Allen Fox made a motion to adopt the Habersham County Comprehensive Plan Resolution. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion.**

**Approved by all.**

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**Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to adopt the Banks County Statewide Mutual Aid Agreement. Councilwoman Debbie Turner seconded the motion.**

**Approved by all.**

**Pro-tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to accept the updated permit and inspection fees as presented.**

**Councilman Allen Fox seconded the motion with the suggested footnote to revisit in 12 months to compare cost to see if it feasible to keep.**

**Approved by all.**

**Old Business: None**

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

**Chief Josh Ivey presented the monthly Police totals and Probation reports along with listing what the citations were mostly issued for.**

**Public comments: None**

**Councilman Allen Fox made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pro-tem Eddie Palmer seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 pm.**

**Approved by all.**

**Respectfully submitted by:**

**Penny Rogers  
Town Clerk**