May 11, 2015

The City Council of the City of Sopchoppy met in regular session for May, 2015. The meeting was called to order and led in a salute to the flag by Mayor, Martha Evans. The meeting was opened in prayer.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved as written on a motion by Lara Edwards, seconded by Glenn Rudd and passed by the Council.

The Council was reminded of a special workshop led by City Attorney Dan Cox on Ethics Training for Elected Officials. This workshop will fulfill the yearly requirement legislated for 4 hours of ethics training per year for elected officials. The workshop will begin at 10:00 on 5/30/2015 and end at 2:00 p.m.

General Business:

Downtown Park Concept: Joe Petrick and Echo Gates, Genesis Group were in attendance to present the Council with two concepts for the downtown Depot Park. The Park will include: 8' wide walking trails, an amphitheater, picnic shelters, children's play component, seating, and lighting. The amphitheater stage is projected to be approximately 14 x 20. Councilmember Lara Edwards will meet with the Park Committee to receive their input and recommendations and come back to the Council.

Panacea Area Water System Interconnection Agreement – Nathan Lewis made the motion to approve an Interconnection Agreement between the City of Sopchoppy and Panacea Area Water System. The Agreement provides a means for either water system to sell bulk water to the other in times of emergencies. The motion was seconded by Becton Roddenberry and passed by the Council.

Council member Becton Roddenberry presented a draft of a logo and seal for Sopchoppy. A discussion of the Council suggested several changes to the logo that was presented. No action was taken.

The Council agreed to place a six month, 2x5 ad in the new monthly edition of the Wakulla Neighbor, advertising the City Park Camping and City Gym rental.

Continued Business:

The Council had further discussion on code enforcement issues within the City. The Clerk presented the Council with code ordinances from cities in close proximity and size to Sopchoppy for informational purposes.

Clerk Items:

Nathan Lewis made the motion which was seconded by Glenn Rudd to approve the financial reports as presented, passed by the Council.

Nathan Lewis made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Glenn Rudd, meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.