

October 10, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Edwards with prayer and salute to the flag. In attendance: Edwards, McKenzie, McClendon, Rudd, and Harden.

Vice Mayor Rudd made a motion to approve the September 12, 2022, minutes, second by McKenzie, 5/0.

The Council held the 2<sup>nd</sup> **public hearing and adoption for Ordinance 2022-05** - An Ordinance Of The City Of Sopchoppy Annexing Property Located In Section 7, Township 5s, Range 2w Into The City At The Request Of The Owner Of The Property Pursuant To The Voluntary Annexation Provisions Of Chapter 171.044, Florida Statutes, Providing For An Effective Date. A **motion** to adopt Ordinance 2022-05 was made by Mayor Edwards, second by McKenzie, 5/0.

The City Clerk read **Ordinance 2022-06** – An Ordinance of the City of Sopchoppy, Florida Correcting Scrivener’s Errors In Ordinance 2018-04 Related to Vacating Alleys North Of Rose Street, Providing An Effective Date. Attorney Cox had indicated to Clerk Schilling with this being a correction due to a scrivener’s error, the Ordinance did not require a 2<sup>nd</sup> reading. A **motion** to adopt Ordinance 2022-06 was made by Edwards, second by Rudd, 5/0.

The City Clerk presented **Resolution 2022-11** – A Resolution of the City Council Of The City Of Sopchoppy, Florida Adopting Its Amended Cross Connection Control Plan – A **motion** to adopt Resolution 2022-10 was made by Edwards, second by Harden, 5/0.

The financial and adjustment reports were approved by signature of the Council.

The City will have a booth at the Be the Light Event at Depot Park, Saturday, October 29. Mayor Edwards volunteered to work the event.

The City advertised a RFP for Design Services for a SCOP grant to resurface Park Avenue. The City received one proposal. A **motion** to award the contract to Dewberry was made by Edwards, second by Rudd, 5/0.

The Council approved a budget of \$500 for Operation Santa.

Mayor Edwards reminded everyone the Mullet and Oyster Festival will be held at Depot Park, Saturday, November 12. Rose Street will be closed for the festival.

Plant Operator, Seth Green stated Keith Morrison was hired for the Distribution Tech position effective October 3.

Councilman McKenzie and Nathan Lewis met with WCSO Undersheriff Billy Jones to discuss the Historic Sopchoppy School. WCSO would like to continue to use the Pre-K building for training.

Nathan Lewis also spoke with WCSB Superintendent Bobby Pearce. The school was recently awarded grant funds. The school board would work with the Historical Society to administer the grant. Part of the grant money is for installing A/C which would benefit the City with renovations. WCSB would still take care of any demolition that is needed. If the City enters into an interlocal agreement with the County to

take over the property, a private school would be allowed on the property, however there can be no public or charter schools there.

After further discussion, Councilman McKenzie will contact Bobby Pearce to see what the next steps are to move forward.

Due to the absence of Attorney Cox, a motion was made by Mayor Edwards at 7:09 p.m. to continue the Council meeting Tuesday, October 18, to discuss the Downtown Overlay District and 319 Corridor, second by McKenzie.

October 18, 2022

Continuation of October 10, 2022, Council meeting

Mayor Edwards called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., to resume the October 10, Council meeting. In attendance: Edwards, Rudd, Harden, McClendon

Attorney Dan Cox discussed design guidelines of the overlay zones along with comp plan and land development code updates. Attorney Cox will provide a draft ordinance for Council review prior to the November meeting.

Mayor Edwards stated the log cabin located at the City Park would be moved October 19.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m. Motion by Rudd, second by Edwards.