

CITY OF DAHLONEGA
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
January 6, 2014

The Dahlonega City Council met in regular session on Monday, January 6, 2014 at City Hall. Members present were Roman Gaddis, Michael Clemons, Bruce Hoffman, Terry Peters, Sam Norton and Mitchell Ridley. Also present were City Manager Bruce Georgia and City Attorney Doug Parks. Mayor Gary McCullough called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Prayer was led by Mayor Gary McCullough and the Pledge to the American Flag was led by Bruce Hoffman.

OATH OF OFFICE FOR NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS:

Mayor Gary McCullough requested that all newly elected officials come forward to be sworn into office. The Oath of Office was administered to Mayor Gary McCullough, Michael Clemons, Mitchell Ridley and Roman Gaddis by City Clerk Lou Stewart.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

Mayor McCullough requested approval of the agenda with the amendment to remove the executive session. A motion to approve as amended was made by Councilman Ridley, seconded by Councilman Gaddis. Mayor McCullough asked for all in favor to say aye, all opposed like sign, motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS:

Mayor McCullough informed that an application had been submitted for a package sales license by the new owner of the Texaco Food Mart. He asked City Clerk Lou Stewart if all paperwork was in order. Ms. Stewart informed that all paperwork was in order with no issues and this approval was for new ownership only, the registered agent that was previously approved still remains the same. Mayor McCullough asked for a motion to approve. A motion to approve was made by Councilman Clemons, seconded by Councilman Hoffman. Mayor McCullough asked for any discussion, hearing none, he asked for all in favor to say aye, all opposed like sign, motion carried unanimously.

MINUTE APPROVAL:

Mayor Gary McCullough asked for approval of the December 2nd and December 19th minutes. Councilman Peters made a motion to approve the minutes as printed, seconded by Councilman Norton. Mayor McCullough asked for any corrections or additions, hearing none, he asked for all in favor to say aye, all opposed like sign, motion carried unanimously.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Mayor McCullough informed that all department reports had been submitted.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS:

City Manager Bruce Georgia informed Council that in his first thirty (30) days he had enjoyed working with the City and the City had great people to work with. He further informed that he had been working on putting organizational tools into place and one of those was to begin staff meetings on each Monday. Mr. Georgia stated that he was very glad to be working with the City.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Gary McCullough informed that City Manager Bruce Georgia had requested that Public Works Director, Ricky Stewart submit a report concerning the weather conditions and the action plan that was taken. He further informed that staff had reported to work at 12:30 last night to salt and gravel roads before the weather became severe. Mayor McCullough stated that staff had done a great job and thanked Mr. Stewart for his efforts.

CITY ATTORNEY:

City Attorney Doug Parks informed that the revision of the existing policy concerning the residency of the City Manager was to rescind the policy in which required the Manager to live within the City limits. Mayor McCullough asked for a motion to approve rescinding the policy. A motion to rescind was made by Councilman Gaddis, seconded by Councilman Ridley. Mayor McCullough asked for any discussion, hearing none, he asked for all in favor to say aye, all opposed like sign, motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Councilman Hoffman informed there had been some graffiti in town and requested that City Attorney Doug Parks look at developing an ordinance for this type of issue.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor McCullough entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m. A motion was made by Councilman Clemons, seconded by Councilman Peters and approved by all members present.

APPROVED BY ME THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2014.

Gary McCullough, Mayor

Attest:

Lou Stewart, City Clerk