

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2013
5:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor W. James Grogan called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present were Mayor James Grogan, Councilmember Mike Sosebee, Councilmember Angie Smith, Councilmember Chris Gaines, City Attorney Dana Miles, Betty McGehee. Absent: Councilmember Jason Power and City Clerk Bonnie Warne.

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE: Invocation and pledge was led by Angie Smith.

AGENDA: Motion to approve the agenda: M. Sosebee/C. Gaines. Vote unanimously in favor.

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING: Motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held August 5, 2013: M. Sosebee/A. Smith. Vote unanimous in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

Proclamation for Red Ribbon Week Oct. 23-31, 2013: Mayor Grogan read the proclamation into the minutes. A copy of the proclamation was subsequently presented to Ms. Metz. Exhibit "A"

Training: Russ Chambers on 9/10/2013 for ISO Update Class in Albany, GA: Motion to approve the training by C. Gaines/A. Smith. Vote passed unanimously in favor.

Water/Sewer Write-Offs: Motion to approve the water/sewer write-offs as listed on Exhibit "B" by M. Sosebee/A. Smith. Vote passed unanimously in favor.

Amicalola EMC Franchise Agreement: Motion to approve the Mayor to sign the franchise agreement by M. Sosebee/C. Gaines. Vote passed unanimously in favor.

GMEBS Life, Health and Dental Benefits Program Update: New Waiting Period Limit: Mayor Grogan explained the changes in our current policy in order to abide by new federal laws.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

ANX 13-004: Karen McCord, executor, has requested annexation into the city limits of Dawsonville for the 24.95 acre parcel at 796 HWY 53 E, TMP 093-047. County zoning is RSR.

ZA-07-13-227: Karen McCord and Curtis Anderson have requested a Zoning Map Amendment, upon annexation, for the 24.95 acres at TMP 093 047, located at 796 Hwy 53 East. Current zoning in County is RSR. Applicant requests to rezone to R1 (Single Family Residential District) upon annexation.

Council approved to hear the annexation and rezoning application together for same parcel. Motion to open the public hearing was unanimous in favor: M. Sosebee/ A. Smith. Attorney Dana Miles presented the applications. Nobody spoke in favor or opposition. Motion to close the public hearing was unanimous in favor: C. Gaines/M. Sosebee. Motion for final vote to approve ANX 13-004 and ZA-07-13-227 by A. Smith/C. Gaines. Vote passed unanimously in favor.

ANX 13-005: Karen McCord has requested annexation into the city limits of Dawsonville for the 2.64 acre parcel at 2120 Perimeter Rd., TMP 093-044. County zoning is RSR.

ZA-07-13-226: Harold and Karen McCord have requested a Zoning Map Amendment, upon annexation, for the 2.64 acres at TMP 093 044, located at 2120 Perimeter Rd. Current zoning in County is RSR. Applicant requests to rezone to R1 (Single Family Residential District) upon annexation.

Council approved to hear the annexation and rezoning application together for same parcel. Motion to open the public hearing was unanimous in favor: A. Smith/M. Sosebee. Attorney Dana

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Miles presented the applications. Nobody spoke in favor or opposition. Motion to close the public hearing was unanimous in favor: M. Sosebee/ A. Smith. Motion for final vote to approve ANX 13-005 and ZA-07-13-226 by M. Sosebee/C. Gaines. Vote passed unanimously in favor.

Alcohol License Application: Arpitkumar T. Patel, on behalf of Dawsonville Liquor LLC dba City Liquor, located at 55 Hwy 53 West, has applied for a retail package alcohol license.

Attorney Dana Miles presented the request for an alcohol license by Mr. Patel, who has purchased City Liquor and has passed the background check. Motion made to approve the alcohol license for beer, wine and distilled spirits retail package, pending State approval, by M. Sosebee/C. Gaines. Vote was unanimous in favor.

Staff Reports: Mayor Grogan informed Council that Bonnie is in training and conveyed that all of the bank accounts are in good standing. He also reported that all is good in the Public Works dept.

Council Reports: Chris Gaines mentioned that a new leadership program has started and it will be a great group to work with.

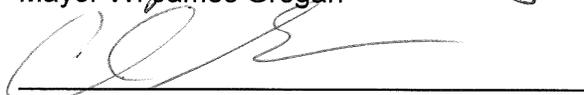
Mayor's Report: Mayor Grogan stated that the Music and Beer Fest on Aug 23rd and 24th was a success with no incidences. The City met with Etowah Water to discuss the Service Delivery Strategy. A Vietnam Vets Appreciation was sponsored at Billy's Restaurant by Ingram's Funeral Home in Cumming and presented the Vets with a bench. Amy Henderson with GMA wrote a great article in *Georgia Cities* magazine on Dawsonville. The Christmas Parade has been set for Dec. 7th with the Tree Lighting and Santa to follow.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: At 5:32 p.m. the council motioned to go out of regular session and into executive session for the purpose of potential litigation. The motion carried unanimously; C. Gaines/M. Sosebee. At 5:47 p.m. the council motioned to close executive session and reconvene the regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously; C. Gaines/A. Smith.

ADJOURNMENT: With there being no further business to attend to the meeting adjourned at 5:47 p.m. The motion carried unanimously; M. Sosebee/A. Smith.



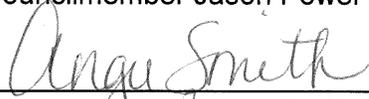
Mayor W. James Grogan



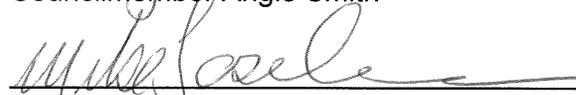
Councilmember Chris Gaines

ABSENT

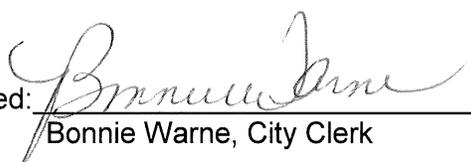
Councilmember Jason Power



Councilmember Angie Smith



Councilmember Mike Sosebee

Attested: 

Bonnie Warne, City Clerk



Proclamation

Red Ribbon Week

October 23-31, 2013



WHEREAS, alcohol and drug abuse in this Nation have reached epidemic stages; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that visible, unified prevention education efforts by community members be launched to eliminate the demand for drugs; and

WHEREAS, the National Red Ribbon Campaign offers citizens the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to drug-free lifestyles (no use of illegal drugs, no illegal use of legal drugs); and

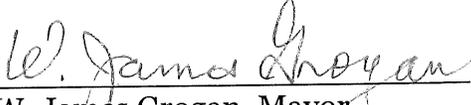
WHEREAS, the National Red Ribbon Campaign will be celebrated in every community in America during Red Ribbon Week, October 23-31, 2013; and

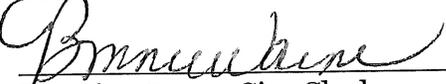
WHEREAS, business, Government, parents, law enforcement, media, medical institutions, religious institutions, schools, senior citizens, service organizations, and youth will demonstrate their commitment to healthy, drug-free lifestyles by wearing and displaying red ribbons during this week-long campaign; and

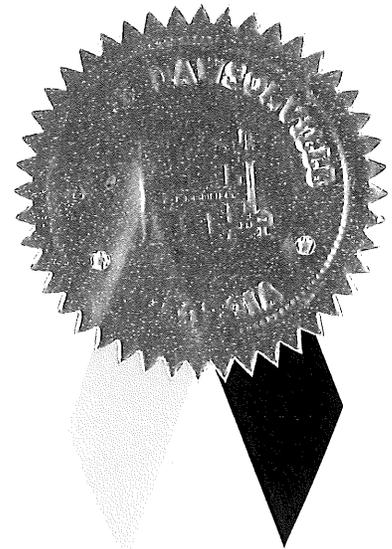
WHEREAS, the community of Dawsonville further commits its resources to ensure the success of the Red Ribbon Campaign;

Now, therefore, I, W. James Grogan, Mayor of the City of Dawsonville, do hereby proclaim October 23-31, 2013, as RED RIBBON WEEK, and encourages its citizens to participate in drug prevention education activities, not only during Red Ribbon Week, but all year long, making a visible statement that we are strongly committed to a drug-free Dawsonville, Georgia.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Dawsonville to be affixed this 9th day of September, 2013.


W. James Grogan, Mayor

Attest:

Bonnie Warne, City Clerk



Terminated Accounts/Lost Revenue
 Total # of Active Accounts = 998
 # of Accounts to be written off = 10
 to be written off as of SEPTEMBER 9, 2013 City Council Meeting

| Account # | Customer Name | Service Address | Balance Due | # of Calls | # of Letters / Bills | Reason for Termination |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------------|---|
| APRIL - 2013 | | | | | | |
| 4167 | SHELBE CARTER | 92 PEARL CHAMBERS DR | \$34.29 | 3 | 8 | CUSTOMER HAS NOT PAID FINAL BILL |
| 4286 | WALTER & JESSICA WHITMAN | 2702 HICKORY LN | \$82.60 | #S NOT IN SERVICE | 8 | CUSTOMER HAS NOT PAID FINAL BILL |
| 1543 | AMICALOLA GARDENS | 233 HWY 9 S | \$200.00 | 5-VIM | 8 | THIS ACCOUNT WAS ORG. WRITTEN OFF BACK ON 8-6-2012, RE-ACTIVATED AND CUSTOMER HAS PAID ALL BUT 200.00. AFTER ADJ. OFF PENALTIES |
| 4029 | RICKY BEASLEY | 62 JACK HEARD RD | \$191.62 | 7-VIM | 8 | LOCKED OFF DUE TO NON-PAYMENT |
| 4324 | DIDA SPICER | 111 VAN INGRAM RD | \$107.35 | 3-VIM | 8 | CUSTOMER HAS NOT PAID FINAL BILL- HOME HAS BEEN SOLD |
| 1185 | VANDIERE HOUSE | 77 TUCKER AVE | \$701.01 | 10-VIM SPOKE TO SON 4 TIMES | 8 | TERMINATED FOR NON-PAYMENT & FINED FOR THEFT OF SERVICES |
| JUNE -2013 | | | | | | |
| 3873 | MELISSA ARMSTRONG | 167 PEARL CHAMBERS DR | \$230.17 | 2- HEARING IMPAIRED | 4 | CUSTOMER CAME IN LAST WEEK TO CUT NEW SERVICE AT NEW ADDRESS WAS TOLD SHE NEED TO PAY OLD BILL. |
| 3880 | JENNIFER AYERS | 447 FLAT CREEK DR | \$12.41 | 4-VIM | 4 | CUSTOMER HAS NOT PAID FINAL BILL - 8-14-2013, VIM-PER SISTER SHE IS LIVING IN GAINESVILLE NOW-NEW HUSBAND |
| 4365 | MAURICIO ESCOBAR | 136 MAPLE ST S-APT # 2 | \$188.87 | #S NOT IN SERVICE | 4 | MIDNIGHT MOVER- NO FORWARDING ADDRESS |
| 2494 | RON TOMBLIN | 144 PEARL CHAMBERS DR | \$108.70 | #S NOT IN SERVICE | 4 | TOOK JOB IN Wash-State, CUSTOMER HAS NOT PAID FINAL BILL- HIS PARENTS LIVE IN THE HOME NOW |
| Total Water = | \$718.11 | | | | | |
| Total Sewer = | \$625.62 | | | | | |
| Total Garbage = | \$131.70 | | | | | |
| Total Penalty = | \$380.59 | | | | | |
| Total To Be Written Off = | \$1,857.02 | | | | | |

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF DAWSON

AFFIDAVIT OF THE CITY OF DAWSONVILLE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Mayor W. James Grogan, Council Member Chris Gaines, Council Member Angie Smith, and Council Member Mike Sosebee; being duly sworn, state under oath that the following is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge and belief:

1.

The City of Dawsonville Council met in a duly advertised meeting on the September 9, 2013.

2.

During such meeting, the Board voted to go into closed session.

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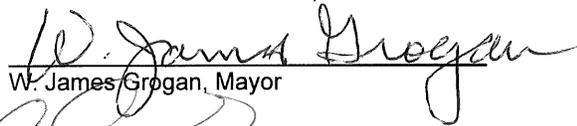
The executive session was called to order at 5:32 p.m.

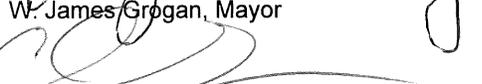
4.

The subject matter of the closed portion of the meeting was devoted to the following matter(s) within the exceptions provided in the open meetings law:

- Consultation with the City Attorney or other legal counsel to discuss pending or potential litigation, settlement, claims, administrative proceedings, or other judicial actions brought or to be brought by or against the City or any officer or employee or in which the City or any officer or employee may be directly involved as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(1);
- Discussion of tax matters made confidential by state law as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-2(2) and _____;
- Discussion of future acquisition of real estate as provided by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(4);
- Discussion or deliberation on the appointment, employment, compensation, hiring, disciplinary action or dismissal, or periodic evaluation or rating of a City officer or employee as provided in O.C.G.A. § 50-14-3(6);
- Other _____ as provided in: _____.

This 9 day of September, 2013. By the City of Dawsonville, Mayor and Council:


W. James Grogan, Mayor

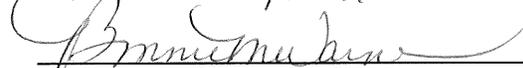

Chris Gaines, Council Member

ABSENT
Jason Power, Council Member


Angie Smith, Council Member


Mike Sosebee, Council Member

Sworn to and subscribed before me this
9 day of September, 2013.



Notary Public
My Commission expires: