Mayor Walter C. Rocker, Jr. called the August 21, 2017 Council meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Walter C. Rocker, Jr. gave the Invocation.

Motion was made by Gorley and seconded by Walker to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on August 1, 2017. Motion carried by a vote of 3-0. Councilwoman Teresa W. Doster and Councilman Charles R. Haley abstained because they were not present at the last meeting.
Public Comments:
Tameika Monday and Barry Monday – “No truck signs” posted in neighborhood

Motion was made by Doster and seconded by Gorley to hear public comments from Mrs. Tameika Monday and Mr. Barry Monday. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Reading of the Rules for Public Comments:
City Administrator Gary Sanders read the rules for Public Comments.

Mrs. Tameika Monday advised living at 105 Baum Gardner in the Oconee Springs subdivision. Her husband recently purchased a tractor trailer truck in hopes of becoming an entrepreneur by owning his own trucking company. The truck is currently parked at their residence. A neighbor has requested to have “No Trucks Allowed” signs posted in the neighborhood. Mrs. Monday requested the City not post the “No Truck Signs”. Mr. Monday will park his truck at his home for security purposes but will not park the trailer there. Mrs. Monday provided the City Clerk with a signed petition from neighbors protesting the posting of “No Truck Allowed” signs in the Oconee Springs Subdivision.

Mr. Barry Monday advised looking around town and seeing 6 tractor trailers parked at residents’ homes. Mr. Monday advised this is a direct financial hit toward him and his family. He requested Council not post the “No Truck Allowed” signs in his neighborhood.

New Business:
Proposed Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Execute an Environmental Facilities Agreement with the Eatonton-Putnam Water and Sewer Authority Attachment # 6A

Steve Hersey advised the County has signed off on the Environmental Facilities Agreement to help secure the $2.5 million loan which will be used to upgrade both wastewater plants. Funds to pay the loan will come from Eatonton-Putnam Water-Sewer Authority operating revenues. The Eatonton-Putnam Water and Sewer Authority desires to borrow $2,500,000 CW2016032 from the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, Administered by Georgia Environmental Finance Authority

EPWSA Director, Donna Van Haute, advised the project will go out to bid sometime in 2018 after the design has been approved. Currently they are awaiting EPA review to determine if Rainbow mussels are located downstream from the plants. This upgrade will allow the plants use their permit at full capacity, which is approximately 500,000 gallons per day.

Councilman Gorley asked why Council was not notified of this project and allowed participate in the drawing up of the contract. Gorley was advised this Loan/Project No CW2016032 is an Environment Facilities Agreement contract, and they started working on this loan back in 2016. County has already signed the same.
Motion was made by Haley and seconded by Mangum to approve the proposed Resolution and Authorize the Mayor to execute an Environmental Facilities Agreement with the Eatonton-Putnam Water and Sewer Authority to facilitate the acquisition, construction and installation of additions, extensions, or improvements to the environmental facilities of the Eatonton-Putnam Water and Sewer Authority (the “Borrower”) and in order to make the borrower’s environmental facilities and services available to residents of the City of Eatonton. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Discussion and Possible Action on an Intergovernmental Agreement with Putnam County Regarding the Single County TSPLOST Attachment #6B

City Administrator Sanders advised the intergovernmental agreement outlines the terms by which Putnam County will collect and disburse proceeds from a single-county Transportation Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax (TSPLOST) and identifies the projects that will be funded. The County intends to submit the referendum to voters at a special election on November 7, 2017. Mr. Huskins advised reviewing the terms and found everything to be in order.

Motion was made by Gorley and seconded by Doster to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Putnam regarding the Single County TSPLOST. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Special District Mass Transportation Sales and Use Tax (“SDMTST”)

EXHIBIT A

COUNTY PROJECTS
Resurfacing / Safety Improvements $8,250,000
ROW Maintenance $500,000
Intersection Improvements $2,500,000

TOTAL COUNTY PROJECTS $11,250,000

CITY PROJECTS
Resurfacing / Safety Improvements $2,750,000
Culvert Rehabilitation / Replacement $500,000
Pedestrian Facility / Intersection Improvements $500,000

TOTAL CITY PROJECTS $3,750,000

Discussion and Possible Action on the 2017-2018 Indigent Defense Services Agreement Attachment #6C
Motion was made by Doster and seconded by Mangum to approve the Georgia Indigent Defense Services Agreement and authorize Mayor Rocker to sign the agreement and any related documents necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by the agreement. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

**Proposed Resolution to Amend Chapter 54 (Solid Waste) of the Code of Ordinances**  
*Attachment #6D*

City Attorney Christopher Huskins advised the amendment to Chapter 54 Solid Waste addresses the storage of new and used motor vehicle tires.

Councilwoman Doster advised that there will be several businesses in violation of the ordinance after the amendment is adopted.

Motion was made by Haley and seconded by Doster to approve the proposed Resolution amending Sec. 54 (Solid Waste) by adding Sec. 54-51 (Storage of Motor Vehicle Tires) and authorize Mayor Rocker to sign the Resolution. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

**Proposed Resolution to Amend Chapter 18 (Businesses) of the Code of Ordinances**  
*Attachment #6E*

Motion was made by Mangum and seconded by Gorley to table the proposed Resolution to amend Chapter 18 (Businesses) of the Code of Ordinances by adding Sec. 18-2 (Garage Sales, Yard Sales, and Rummage Sales) to provide the attorney time to modify the amendment. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

**Proposed Resolution to Specify the Allocation of Hotel-Motel Excise Tax Proceeds**  
*Attachment #6F*

Motion was made by Haley and seconded by Mangum to approve the proposed Resolution to re-allocate the Hotel-Motel Excise Tax effective September 1, 2017. 5% shall be allocated for the purpose of promoting tourism, conventions, and trade shows within the City of Eatonton; 3% shall be allocated to the General Fund of the City of Eatonton and authorize Mayor Rocker to sign making the allocation effective September 1, 2017. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

**Proposed Resolution to Adopt a Balance Budget for the City Fiscal Year 2018**  
*Attachment #6G*

Motion was made by Walker and seconded by Mangum to hold a FY 2018 Budget work session on Wednesday, August 23, 2017 at the Hut at 6:00 pm. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.
City Administrator Sanders requested appeal made by Dr. Joe and Mrs. Brenda Preston be un-tabled and added to the agenda.

Motion was made by Haley and seconded by Doster to add zoning variance appeal made by Dr. Joe and Mrs. Brenda Preston to the agenda. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Motion was made by Haley and seconded by Doster to reject the appeal and uphold the Zoning Commission decision approving a 10 foot variance. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Zoning: None

Committee reports:

Motion was made by Walker and seconded by Gorley to pay the bills if and when the funds become available. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

City Administrator Sanders reported: The pre-construction and public information meetings for the TE Project were held on Monday, August 7. The Contractor broke ground on the project last week with an estimate 60-day buildout. We are working to get signage informing the public that the businesses will be open throughout construction.

The contractor for the City’s LMIG resurfacing project expects to begin work this week.

Bids for the CDBG project on Church Street will be opened this Friday, August 25 at 11:00AM at City Hall.

Council will consider setting the millage rate at the September 5 meeting; the 2017 Tax Digest and 5 Year History of Levy Notice ran in last week’s Eatonton Messenger.

Mayor Rocker asked if there was any more business to be discussed tonight. There being no further business motion was made by Haley and seconded by Mangum to adjourned. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

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Rocker C. Rocker, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

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Sarah E. Abrams, City Clerk