City of Eatonton Council Meeting  
Monday, May 15, 2017 at 7:00 PM  
Putnam County Commissioners’ Meeting Room #203  
117 Putnam Drive  
Eatonton, Georgia 31024  

Elected Officials Present:  
Mayor Walter C. Rocker, Jr.  
Mayor Pro-Tem Harvey (Chip) Walker, Jr.  
Councilwoman Teresa Doster  
Councilman James A. Gorley  
Councilman William Mangum, Jr.  
Councilwoman Alma Stokes  

Elected Officials Absent:  
Councilman Alvin Butts  
Councilman Charles R. Haley  

Staff Members Present:  
City Administrator, Gary Sanders  
City Attorney, Christopher Huskins  
City Clerk, Sarah Abrams  
Chief of Police, William Kent Lawrence  

Mayor Walter C. Rocker, Jr. called the May 15, 2017 Council meeting to order at 7:00 PM.  

Councilwoman Alma Stokes called for a Moment of Silence for the Invocation.  

Motion was made by Doster and seconded by Gorley to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on May 2, 2017. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.  

Public Comments: None  

Reading of the Rules for Public Comments was omitted.
Old Business: None

New Business:

First Reading of Proposed Eatonton/Putnam County Media Production Permit Ordinance
City Attorney Christopher Huskins gave the first reading of the Proposed Eatonton/Putnam County Media Production Permit Ordinance Chapter 44, Section 44-1 through 44-14.

Sec. 44-1 Short Title
Sec. 44-2 Definitions
Sec. 44-3 Application of Ordinance: Filming Location
Sec. 44-4 Exemptions
Sec. 44-5 Permit Application
Sec. 44-6 Administrative Review
Sec. 44-7 Permit Conditions
Sec. 44-8 Fees and Waivers
Sec. 44-9 Revocation
Sec. 44-10 Notification of Affected Businesses and Residents
Sec. 44-11 General Standards
Sec. 44-12 High Impact Activity Standards
Sec. 44-13 Special Effects, Explosives and Similar Devices
Sec. 44-14 Penalties

Councilwoman Doster expressed words of appreciation to Committee members for reviewing and working on the ordinance and she thanked the County for their involvement as well. Putnam County Commissioners will have their Media Production Ordinance on the agenda Tuesday, May 16, 2017.

Also, Mayor Rocker expressed words of thanks to Councilwoman Doster and her committee for getting the job done on the Media Production Ordinance.

Proposed Resolution to Adopt a Fee for the Rental of the Hut Attachment #6B
Councilman William Mangum asked if a Rental Resolution was prepared for raising the rates on the Waterworks Building along with the Hut Rate Resolution that we have here tonight. Committee members advised Councilman Mangum they only wanted to raise the Hut’s rental fees at this time and would revisit the Waterworks rate at a later time.

Motion was made by Mangum and seconded by Doster to approve the Proposed Resolution adopting an increase in rental fees for the use of the Hut with an effective date of January 1, 2018 and authorize Mayor Rocker to sign. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.
Hut Rental Fees

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**Proposed Resolution to Authorize the Disposal of Surplus Property Attachment #6C**

Motion was made by Gorley and seconded by Doster to approve the Proposed Resolution to dispose of surplus property and authorize Mayor Rocker to sign. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

**Surplus Item Description**

(1) – 2000 GMC Yukon SLT

**Alcohol License for Consumption of Liquor by the Drink, Beer, and Wine on the Premises- Cecil and Krystal Epps d/b/a Spicy Southern Deliveries at 117 North Jefferson Avenue, Eatonton, Georgia Attachment #6D**

Motion was made by Doster and seconded by Mangum to approve the license for liquor by the drink, beer and wine consumption on the premises requested by Cecil and Krystal Epps d/b/a Spicy Southern Deliveries at 117 North Jefferson Avenue, Eatonton, GA. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

**Alcohol License for Consumption on Liquor by the drink on the Premises – Stewart Aaron d/b/a Eatonton Cotton Warehouse LLC at 118 North Jefferson Avenue, Eatonton, Georgia Attachment #6E**

Motion was made by Walker and seconded by Doster to approve the liquor by the drink alcohol license for consumption on the premises requested by Stewart Aaron d/b/a as Eatonton Cotton Warehouse at 118 North Jefferson Avenue, Eatonton, GA. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

**Zoning: None**

**Committee Reports:**

Councilman Walker advised Supervisors are reviewing their budget and will be submitting their budget requests for the upcoming budget year and Council will be looking at these requests and the revenues and expenditures and at ways to cut spending in the FY 2018 Budget.

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.
Councilwoman Doster advised that the next time the Ordinance Committee members meet, they will continue to review and discuss tires and yard sales.

Councilman Gorley advised Fire Chief Eugene Hubert is here tonight to request permission and Council’s blessing for our volunteer firefighters to assist with the fires down in South Georgia in the Okefenokee Swamp area. The volunteer firefighters have expressed a desire to assist. The shifts are for 48 hours at a time.

Motion was made by Gorley and seconded by Doster to add volunteer firefighters assisting with fighting wild fires in South Georgia to the Agenda. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0.

Motion was made by Gorley and seconded by Walker to approve volunteer firefighters who wish to volunteer and assist with fighting the wild fires in South Georgia be allowed to go and assist with no additional charge to the City except providing workers’ compensation coverage. Motion carried by unanimous vote of 5-0.

City Administrator Gary Sanders reported to Council:

- Final engineering plans are near completion for the CDBG project on Church Street. We expect detail regarding advertisement and bid dates within the next two weeks.

- The Uncle Remus Museum and Eatonton-Putnam Chamber of Commerce invite each of you to attend the unveiling of five new “critter” carving this Friday, May 19 at 4:00 PM at the museum.

- Thursday, May 18, City Administrator Sanders will be out of the office for the Regional Commission’s Leadership Program.

- We will be scheduling a couple more Committee meetings over the next week or so to discuss 2018 department budget requests.

Mayor Rocker asked if there was any other business to be discussed tonight. There being no further business to be discussed, motion was made by Doster and seconded by Walker to adjourn. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 5-0. Adjourned at 7:13 P.M.

Mayor Walter C. Rocker, Jr., Mayor

ATTEST:

Sarah E. Abrams, City Clerk