Mayor John Reid called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Invocation was given by Pastor Ford G’Segner.

Motion was made by Doster and seconded by Haley to adopt the minutes of the last meeting with any necessary corrections. Motion carried by a vote of 5-0. Councilwoman Alma Stokes and Councilman Alvin Butts abstained.

**Public Comments:**
G. Gary Andrews - Change name of street
Georgia Smith - Change name of street

Motion was made by Haley and seconded by Doster to hear from all who signed in to make Public Comments. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

City Administrator Gary Sanders read the Rules for making Public Comments.

Mr. Gary Andrews talked to Council about his Grandfather, Mr. Robert Lee Reid Sr. who inspired him to become an entrepreneur because of the many jobs he performed in the community. Mr. Andrews requested Council approve changing the name of Plum Street
to Robert Lee Reid Sr. Mr. Andrews requested Plum Street be renamed starting from Willie Bailey Street and end at East Sumter Street/U.S. Hwy 16.

Mrs. Georgia Smith also spoke on behalf of renaming Plum Street to Robert Lee Reid. Ms. Lula Bell Ford advised supporting changing the name of the street in front of her home to Robert Lee Reid Sr. from Putnam Avenue.

Mayor John Reid advised Mr. Andrews the City needs to take a survey of residents living in the area which would be affected by the changing of the street name and put as an item on the agenda.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**
Mrs. Shelagh Fagan reported that Mrs. Carrie Vanderver gave birth to a 7.8 lb. baby boy on 9/11/14.

Fagan advised the following Mainstreet events are planned:
- October 25th Arts Festival - recruiting food vendors
- Shop at Home/Merchant Open house November 21 & 22, 2014
- Christmas in the Briar patch December 6, 2014

**Proposed Resolution to Allow a Temporary Alcoholic Beverage Pouring License**
*Attachment #2*
Motion was made by Haley and seconded by Mangum to approve the Resolution for a Temporary Alcoholic Beverage Pouring License requested by Eatonton-Putnam Chamber of Commerce and authorize Mayor Reid to sign. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

**Proposed Resolution to approve the Submission of a Department of Natural Resources Trails Grant Application**
*Attachment #3*
Motion was made by Doster and seconded by Butts to adopt the proposed Resolution to approve the submission of a Department of Natural Resources Trail Grant application for phase 2 of the Trail Park and authorize Mayor Reid to sign. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

Councilman Mangum advised he would support the submission but questioned spending tax payer’s money on such a small area of trail. Mayor Reid advised Councilman Mangum that this is Federal tax money which all cities pay into and he approved applying to get some of Eatonton tax payer’s money back into our community.

**Proposed Ratification of Ordinance Revising the GMEBS Participation Agreement, the Trust Agreement, and the Declaration Document.**
*Attachment #4*
Motion was made by Walker and seconded by Gorley to approved the ratification of the
Ordinance revising the GMEBS Participation Agreement, the Trust Agreement and the Declaration Document and authorize Mayor Reid to sign.
Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

**Proposed Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding with the Downtown Development Authority** *Attachment #5*

Motion was made by Haley and seconded by Mangum to adopt the proposed Resolution to authorize Mayor Reid to execute a contract for services with the Eatonton Downtown Development Authority and for other purposes and to sign all related documents necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

**Proposed Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Execute a Contract with the Eatonton-Putnam Arts Foundation** *Attachment #6*

Motion was made by Haley and seconded by Doster to adopt the proposed Resolution authorizing Mayor Reid to execute a contract with the Eatonton-Putnam Arts Foundation and for Mayor Reid to sign contracts, forms, modifications and any other related documents necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this Resolution. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

**Proposed Resolution to Authorize the Mayor to Execute a Contract with the Chamber of Commerce** *Attachment #7*

Motion was made by Gorley and seconded by Walker to adopt the proposed Resolution authorizing Mayor Reid to execute a contract with the Chamber of Commerce, to sign forms, modifications and any related documents necessary to the consummation of the transactions contemplated by this resolution. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

**Proposed Resolution by the Council to approve a Revolving Loan (RLF) to Brown Dog Restaurants, LLC.** *Attachment #8*

City Administrator Sanders advised the Revolving Loan Committee met and approved a loan to Adam Smith d/b/a Smith Coastal Grill/Brown Dog Restaurants, LLC in the amount of $50,000.00; term 10 years @5%. Current balance in Revolving Loan Fund is $74,000.00.

Motion was made by Walker and seconded by Stokes to adopt the proposed Resolution by the Council to approve a Revolving Loan to Brown Dog Restaurant, LLC and authorizes the Mayor to negotiate terms and sign such loan agreement and other such papers, forms and reports incidental to the loan for Brown Dog Restaurants, LLC (Smith Coastal Grill) Motion carried by a unanimous 7-0.

**Committees Report**

Councilman Walker requested a Financial and Personnel Committee meeting for Thursday, September 18th at 5:00 pm.
Motion was made by Walker and seconded by Haley to pay the bills if and when funds become available. Motion carried by a unanimous vote of 7-0.

Councilman Butts advised the contractor will start on the gas line to the Tech Park this week. Also Butts advised there was a gas leak on Hwy 44 from silage at Thompson Dairy farm; the leak was not related to the City of Eatonton Natural Gas.

Councilwoman Doster advised work continues on the downtown parking lot.

Councilman Haley requested Council authorize City Administrator Sanders to look into purchasing recording device equipment and speakers for Council meeting.

Councilwoman Stokes advised receiving an invitation from Middle Georgia Regional Commission to attend their 2014 Annual Meeting on October 9, at 5:00 pm. Please RSVP by October 1, 2014.

Councilman Gorley advised Police Chief Lawrence is absent tonight, but all is going fine in the Police Department. The Governor’s Office of Highway Safety advised the City of Eatonton Police Department application was approved in the amount of $10,000 for a Small Agency Incentive Grant. Gorley also advised attending and watching the Fire Department drill and test their fire equipment last week. Interim Fire Chief Hubert gave a list of repairs that need to be made to the ladder truck.

City Administrator Gary Sanders presented the following report to Council:

1. The pre-construction meeting for the gas line extension to the Tech Park was held on Friday, September 5, 2014 at 1:00 pm. The notice to proceed was issued with a date of September 8, 2014 and the contractor will have 75 days to achieve substantial completion of the project.

2. One hundred fifty feet of sidewalk have been replaced in front of the Veterans Wall of Honor. The additional 250 feet will be replaced over the next several weeks.


4. The LMIG application and project list have been submitted to the Department of Transportation. We hope to receive the funding in the next 3 weeks.

Administrator Sanders advised silage caused a gas leak across from Tom Thompson Dairy which shut down U.S. Hwy. 44. A Hazmat team was called in from Baldwin County; after trucks loads of silage were removed the gas dissipated.

Councilman Haley advised Thursday the Boy Scouts dinner will be held at the Plaza, if attending RSVP.
City Attorney Chris Huskins advised he would put Revolving Loan package together for Mayor to sign for Smith Coastal Grill.

Motion was made by Haley and seconded by Walker to adjourn. Motion carried.

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John Reid, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Sarah E. Abrams, City Clerk