

TOWN OF WILLIAMSTON

May 4, 2015 Meeting Minutes

(All newspapers were informed of this meeting in compliance with the guidelines set forth in the Freedom of Information Act)

1. Call to Order

Mayor Durham called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. All council members were present.

2. Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Reverend Johnson led the invocation, and a ROTC cadet led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Minutes

Councilman Hagood made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 6th meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Harvell. All voted in favor.

4. Public Comments

Kempie Shepard expressed concerns on needing a road block sign at the ball fields. Brandon Head asked the town to sponsor a car show. Jason Darby apologized to the town council for vandalizing the new sidewalk in the park. Daniel Gamble spoke on various topics.

5. Presentations

Police Department review was given by Chief Tony Taylor.

Ordinance review was given by Councilman Burgess.

Community Safety review was given by Councilman Harvell.

Sonya Crandall introduced herself as the New Main Street Executive.

Marion Middleton Jr. and Tee Coker updated the Council on the Master Plan.

6. Amended Smoking Ordinance – Second Reading

A motion was made by Mayor Durham to accept the smoking ordinance on second reading.

The motion was seconded by Councilman Hagood. The vote passed with Councilman Burgess opposing.

7. Amended Wrecker Ordinance – Second Reading

A motion was made by Mayor Durham to accept the amended ordinance as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilman Scott. All voted in favor.

8. Amend Agenda for Sponsorship of a Car Show

A motion was made by Mayor Durham to amend the agenda. The motion was seconded by Councilman Burgess. All voted in favor. A motion was made by Mayor Durham to allow the Town to sponsor the car show. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hagood. All voted in favor.

9. Time Change on Monthly Council Meeting

A motion was made by Mayor Durham to change the time of the monthly meetings from 6:00 pm to 6:30 pm. The motion was seconded by Councilman Scott. All voted in favor.

10. Executive Session on Contractual Matter

A motion was made by Mayor Durham to enter into executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hagood. All voted in favor. A motion was made by Mayor Durham to reenter into public session. The motion was seconded by Councilman Harvell. All voted in favor.

11. Discussion of Purchasing Property on Minor Street

No motion was made to purchase the property.

12. Time Set for Changing the Form of Government – First Reading

A motion was made by Councilman Scott to set the time for July 1st for the change of government to go into effect if it passes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Burgess. All voted in favor.

13. Resolution of the Intentions of Council

A motion was made by Councilman Burgess to accept the resolution of the intentions of council if the referendum passes. The motion was seconded by Councilman Harvell. The motion passed. Mayor Durham and Councilman Hagood opposed.

14. Ordinance to Amend the Budget – First Reading

Mayor Durham made a motion to accept the amended budget on first reading. The motion was seconded by Councilman Scott. All voted in favor.

15. 2015-2016 Budget Ordinance – First Reading

Mayor Durham made a motion to accept the budget ordinance on first reading. The motion was seconded by Councilman Burgess. All voted in favor.

16. Amend Agenda for Proclamation for the Police Department

A motion was made by Mayor Durham to amend the agenda to add the proclamation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Scott. All voted in favor. A motion was made by Mayor Durham to accept the proclamation. The motion was seconded by Councilman Burgess. All voted in favor.

17. The Mayor gave an update on the Gatewood Project.

18. Adjourn

A motion was made by Mayor Durham to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Councilman Hagood. All voted in favor.

DR. R. MACK DURHAM, MAYOR

MICHELLE STARNES, CLERK / TREASURER