

**CITY OF EAST ELLIJAY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 16, 2023**

THE EAST ELLIJAY CITY COUNCIL CONVENED A COUNCIL MEETING ON AUGUST 16, 2023 AT EAST ELLIJAY CITY HALL.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

DON CALLIHAN, MAYOR
CHRIS CALLIHAN, MAYOR PRO-TEM
ED FORRESTER
LINDA SMITH
JAMES WATERS

CITY OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

PETRINA PRITCHETT- CITY CLERK
JACQUE HEFNER – COURT CLERK
VALERIE CRUMP – ASSISTANT CLERK
LARRY CALLAHAN – PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR
JAXON WEST – CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
KENNY BARNEYCASTLE – STREET DEPARTMENT MANAGER

CALL TO ORDER:

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 3:00 P.M. BY MAYOR DON CALLIHAN.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING UPON A MOTION BY CHRIS CALLIHAN AND A SECOND BY ED FORRESTER.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

COUNCIL REVIEWED AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MINUTES FOR THE LAST MEETING HELD ON JULY 19, 2023.

MOTION: ED FORRESTER

SECOND: LINDA SMITH

3. NEW BUSINESS

MAYOR CALLIHAN AMENDED THE AGENDA TO INCLUDE UNDER NEW BUSINESS: RESOLUTION OF SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION REGARDING AGREEMENT WITH BEACON MEDIA AND TO MOVE FORWARD ON APPLEJAY REZONING APPLICATION.

MOTION: JAMES WATERS

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

A- ORDINANCE 2023-01 – ZONING PROCEDURES AMENDMENT

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED ORDINANCE 2023-01 REGARDING THE ZONING PROCEDURES AMENDMENT. THIS WAS THE 2ND READING.

MOTION: JAMES WATERS

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

B. ORDINANCE 2023-02 – MARC BRANDT REZONING APPLICATION

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED ORDINANCE 2023-02 REGARDING THE MARC BRANDT REZONING APPLICATION. THIS WAS THE 2ND READING.

MOTION: CHRIS CALLIHAN

SECOND: ED FORRESTER

C- REVIEW / ACTION ON FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR JULY 2023

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2023

MOTION: LINDA SMITH

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

D- REVIEW/ACTION ON NEW BUSINESS LICENSES.

COUNCIL REVIEWED AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE BUSINESS LICENSES AS PER THE ATTACHED MEMO FROM STAFF MEMBER, VALERIE CRUMP.

MOTION: LINDA SMITH

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

E- RESOLUTION 2023-09 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT

COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED RESOLUTION 2023-09 REGARDING THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS ELEMENT.

MOTION: JAMES WATERS

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

F- TEMPORARY EASEMENT FOR GA TRANSMISSION CORP CONST & EQUIP

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED TO ALLOW GA TRANSMISSION CORP A TEMPORARY EASEMENT TO SETUP CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT ON CITY PROPERTY.

MOTION: CHRIS CALLIHAN

SECOND: ED FORRESTER

G- RESOLUTION OF SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION WITH BEACON MEDIA

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE SIGN PERMIT APPLICATION AGREEMENT WITH BEACON MEDIA.

MOTION: ED FORRESTER

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

H- ORDINANCE 2023-03 SIGN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

MAYOR PRESENTED TO COUNCIL ORDINANCE 2023-03 SIGN ORDINANCE AMENDMENT FOR THEM TO REVIEW AND TO BE VOTED ON NEXT COUNCIL MEETING. THIS WAS THE 1ST READING. NO MOTION WAS MADE.

MOTION:

SECOND:

I – CITY TO TAKE OVER HIGHLANDS PARWAY

COUNCIL APPROVED THE CITY TO TAKE OVER HIGHLANDS PARKWAY AND TO MAINTAIN IT AS A CITY STREET.

MOTION LINDA SMITH

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

J- MOVE FORWARD ON APPLEJAY REZONING APPLICATION

COUNCIL APPROVED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE PROCESS ON APPLEJAY REZONING APPLICATION.

MOTION: ED FORRESTER

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

4. OLD BUSINESS

5. MAYORS REPORT

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6. COMMITTEE MEMBERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS

A. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT – LARRY CALLAHAN

SEE ATTACHED MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT.

7. CITIZEN INPUT

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 3:11 P.M.

MOTION: ED FORRESTER

SECOND: LINDA SMITH



DON CALLIHAN, MAYOR



PETRINA PRITCHETT, CITY CLERK