

**Town of Alto
Regular Meeting
June 14, 2016
Minutes**

Those in attendance:

**Audrey Turner, Mayor
Carolyn Cabe, Mayor Pro-tem
John Closs, Council Post 2
Eddie Palmer, Council Post 4
PJ Huggins, Council Post 5
Tim Vaughan, Police Chief
Joe Davidson, Building Official
Penny Rogers, Town Clerk**

Those Absent: Lisa Turner, Gary Kimbral

The Town Officials conducted a work session at 6:30pm to discuss on going projects. Judy Taylor with Habersham County Chamber made a presentation for the support of EDC partnership for future growth of businesses in the County/ Town. The request is for a 3 year pledge of \$3000 yearly for financial support and handed out a benefits sheet if the Town decides to have a place at the table with the EDC board. Brent Edwards, David Foster, Larry Pevie, and Don Ansley also represented the Chamber and EDC. After the presentation, Mayor Turner stated that she would get back to them with a decision.

Officials went into the regular council meeting on June 14, 2016. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Audrey Turner. The invocation was delivered by Joe Davidson.

The agenda was presented to the Council for approval. Mayor Turner stated that (a) Cedar Creek lot, needed to be added under Old Business. Pro-tem Carolyn Cabe made a motion to approve the agenda with the addition. Councilwoman PJ Huggins seconded the motion. Approved by all.

The minutes of the May 10, 2016 meeting were presented for approval. Councilman Eddie Palmer made a motion to accept the minutes. Pro-Tem Carolyn Cabe seconded the motion. Approved by all.

New Business:

The first item under New Business was the Fireworks Ordinance. Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to adopt. Councilman Eddie Palmer seconded the motion. Approved by all.

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Councilwoman PJ Huggins made the motion to adopt the Special Elections Ordinance. Councilman John Closs seconded the motion. Approved by all.

Following this was the first presentation of the Zoning Ordinance and map.

Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to approve the Employee Mid Year Merit Bonus. Councilman Eddie Palmer seconded the motion. Approved by all.

Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to authorize Mayor Turner to sign the Archway Partnership. Pro-tem Carolyn Cabe seconded the motion.

Approved by all.

Old Business:

Councilman Eddie Palmer made a motion to put the Cedar Creek lot on the market for sale. Councilwoman PJ Huggins seconded the motion.

Approved by all.

Recommendations from Officers, Departments, and Attorneys:

Mayor Turner thanked everyone for the success of the Spring Fling Parade and Festival. She received many compliments.

Councilman John Closs inquired of the time frame of finishing the park project and cleaning up the old site, due to the place looking like a construction site. Mayor Turner replied that it will all be done as soon as possible; the guys have to work around the daily operation duties.

Chief Tim Vaughan handed out the monthly police totals.

Public comments:

Resident Mike Ivie commented that he is just sitting in listening. Another resident thanked the officials for the park area and praised the police department.

Councilman Eddie Palmer made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Carolyn Cabe seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:26 pm.

Approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by:

**Penny Rogers
Town Clerk**

