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City of Statham COUNCIL MEETING April 15, 2014 7:00 P.M.

## 1. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular business meeting of the City of Statham City Council was called to order by Mayor Robert Bridges at 7:01 p.m. Members present were Mayor Robert Bridges and Council Members Perry Barton, David Huth, Betty Lyle, Gayle Steed and Hattie Thrasher. Also in attendance were Police Chief Steve Martin, Code Enforcement Officer Randy Gordon, City Attorney Thomas Mitchell, and City Clerk Harriet Jett Kilpatrick. The media was represented by Stanley Dunlop of the Barrow County News and Chris Bridges of the Barrow Journal.

# 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

(A) COUNCIL MEETING - March 18, 2013

Betty Lyle made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2014 council meeting as written. Perry Barton seconded the motion. Unanimous.

# 3. OLD BUSINESS:

(A) CLEAN UP WEEK - VOTE ON LINDSAY GROUP FOR SHREDDING

This item had been tabled from March 18<sup>th</sup> to clarify the quote. The delivery/removal charge was clarified to be \$35.00 to deliver all of the shredders, not \$35.00 each. Lindsay also reduced the "per shred" price from \$40.00 to \$25.00. Perry Barton made a motion to accept the quote from Lindsay Group. David Huth seconded the motion. Unanimous.

# (B) 2<sup>nd</sup> READING – ORDINANCE FOR HIGHWAY SIGNAGE/ ADVERTISING

Gayle Steed made a motion to adopt the ordinance for Highway Signage/Advertising. David Huth seconded the motion. Unanimous. The council agreed that Mayor Bridges will establish a committee to review and approve any signage/advertising before it is displayed.



# (C) 1<sup>ST</sup> READING – OUTSIDE EVENTS ORDINANCE Gayle Steed made a motion to put on the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the Outside Events

Ordinance. Hattie Thrasher seconded the motion. Unanimous.

## (D) UPDATE ON SPRING FESTIVAL – 05/03/2014

Randy Gordon reported that we have 43 vendors and applications are still available for vendor spaces and that everything is in order for the day's events.

## 4. <u>NEW BUSINESS:</u>

# (A) FUNERAL HOME/CREMATORIUM – 2077 ATLANTA HIGHWAY

Approximately 30 residents from the City of Statham and the area surrounding the proposed business attended the Council meeting to protest the issuance of a Business License for the crematorium to be located at 2077 Atlanta Highway. Code Enforcement Officer, Randy Gordon, announced that a crematorium cannot be located within 1,000 feet of a subdivision and the City had discovered that this address fell within 1,000 feet of a named subdivision so the City would have to pull the business license for this business. After that was announced, several residents voiced their displeasure over this type of business being located here. A local resident read a protest letter and presented several pages of signatures. This letter and the signatures will be attached to the minutes for this meeting.

# (B) PROPOSED MODIFICATION OF SPEED ORDINANCE - 2014

David Huth made a motion to waive the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the proposed modification presented by Chief Martin. Hattie Thrasher seconded the motion. Unanimous.

#### 5. GRIEVANCE HEARING

# (A) POLICE OFFICER ASHLEY WHIRRELL.

Officer Whirrell was not in attendance and the grievance hearing was postponed.

# 6. OTHER BUSINESS:

There was no other business.

## 7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports.

## 8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

David Huth made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss a personnel issue. Perry Barton seconded the motion. Unanimous...

#### 9. ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the Council, Hattie Thrasher made a motion to Adjourn. David Huth seconded the Motion. The meeting of the City of Statham City Council adjourned at 7:58 p.m.