

**WORK SESSION
CEDARTOWN CITY COMMISSION
OCTOBER 7, 2013**

Commissioners Present: Dale Tuck, Chairman
John Barrett, Chairman Pro-Tem
Gary Martin
Larry Odom
Scotty Tillery

Also Present: Bill Fann, City Manager
Rob Monroe, City Attorney
Carol Crawford, City Clerk

PUBLIC HEARING – CEDARTOWN SEWER LIFT STATION AND FORCE MAIN PROJECT

The public hearing was opened by City Manager Bill Fann. Manager Fann explained that the Cedartown sewer lift station and force main project is to serve the proposed hospital and surgical center for Polk County. The project will begin at the wastewater plant and end at the hospital. An ARC grant has been applied for in the amount of \$300,000 and USDA will administer the grant. There were no public comments “for” or “against” the sewer lift station and force main project. Chairman Tuck closed the public hearing.

OLD HOSPITAL REUSE PLAN AND REVIEW

City Manager Bill Fann told the Commission that he, Commissioner Tillery and Commissioner Barrett attended the last reuse meeting at the hospital. Primary Healthcare has applied for a grant, the Hub of Excellence is ready to step in and assume tenant status of the old hospital. Primary Healthcare is seeking a grant for \$900,000. Primary Healthcare, two divisions of Highland Rivers Health and two smaller non-profits will be the primary tenants that will be paying lease payments. The City will take ownership of the hospital from the Hospital Authority sometime in 2014. The primary tenant agreements will be for ten year terms. The smaller tenant agreements will be based on process the next twelve months for how much rent they will pay or in-kind services that they may provide. All tenants will pay utilities based on their pro-rata share per square foot. All tenants will maintain their occupied space. All tenants will maintain personal property and liability insurance.

BUSINESS PARK FINANCING -1998 INDUSTRIAL PARK BONDS

City Manager Bill Fann discussed with the Commission going out for bid for refinancing at a fixed rate general obligation bonds. On motion by Commissioner Tillery, seconded by Commissioner Martin, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” the Commission approved allowing City Manager Bill Fann to go out to bid for a new fixed rate on general obligation bonds.

NUISANCE PROPERTY ABATEMENT PLAN

Chairman Tuck spoke to the Commission about run down houses in the City of Cedartown and using the Police Department to issue Code Enforcement warnings. City Manager Fann stated that in the 2014 Splost there is \$100,000 for demolition and there are also grants available, but there needed to be a plan. Manager Fann recommended that himself, Commissioners, the Building Inspector, Police Chief, Municipal Judge and the Officer assigned for Code Enforcement from the Police Department ride the neighborhoods, make a list of those houses that are a nuisance and prioritize the list. Commissioner Tillery asked that the owner of the property and not the tenant be notified and cited.

DATES FOR NOVEMBER WORK SESSION AND COMMISSION MEETING

Chairman Tuck spoke to the Commission regarding the date for the November Work Session and changing the date of the November Commission meeting. There will not be a November Work Session. The November Commission meeting will be held on Monday, November 18th.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Commissioner Martin moved to call an executive session to discuss legal matters. Commissioner Barrett seconded, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” the Commission went into executive session.

On motion by Commissioner Odom, seconded by Commissioner Barrett, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” the Commission came out of executive session.

ADJOURN

At 7:15 p.m., there being no further business for consideration, Commissioner Odom moved to adjourn. Commissioner Martin seconded, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” the Commission adjourned.

APPROVED:

**DALE TUCK, CHAIRMAN
CEDARTOWN CITY COMMISSION**

ATTEST:

**SECRETARY, CEDARTOWN
CITY COMMISSION**

