

**WORK SESSION
CEDARTOWN CITY COMMISSION
OCTOBER 5, 2015
6:00 P.M.**

Commissioners Present: Dale Tuck, Chairman
Gary Martin, Chair Pro-Tem
Matt Foster
Jordan Hubbard
Larry Odom

Also Present: Bill Fann, City Manager
Carol Crawford, City Clerk

**DEDICATION AND PLAQUE HONORING THE LATE J.L. “JAY” WRIGHT –
WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY**

Commissioner Martin discussed with the Commission his desire to have a dedication ceremony and plaque honoring the late J.L. “Jay” Wright for his 35 years of service at the Wastewater Treatment facility naming the facility the J.L. “Jay” Wright Wastewater Treatment Facility.

ONE DOOR POLK UPDATE

City Manager Bill Fann gave an update on One Door Polk.

- Highland Rivers Health completed.
- Georgia Northwestern Technical College – 2 classrooms and 1 office
- Polk Family Connection – 2 offices
- Primary Health Care plans to add dental
- Department of Juvenile Justice – finalizing plans to move
- Police Department will be using 2 office spaces
- Right Start Medicaid will have an office
- Some Departments discussing options for expanding next year.
- Open House plans as soon as the Department of Juvenile Justice is complete.
- Hosting Workforce and Education Committee meeting on October 23rd.
- Received \$900,000 in grants for the facility. All renovations paid for as done.

2014-2015 ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The City Manager reviewed the 2014-2015 accomplishments of the city and the 4 year summary of major events and accomplishments in the city. City Manager Fann commented on the improved financial status from a negative fund balance to a surplus of \$1.5 million, and the improvement of communication through the city website and social media outlets to promote events and inform the public.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Public Auction – Saturday, October 24, 2015
- ARC Grant \$300,000 for One Door Polk
- East Avenue striping is only temporary. Permanent striping will be thermoplastic and last a long time.

- ARC Grant application for Event Center submitted
- In the middle of working on budgets for 2016 with all departments.

Rachel Rowell, President of the Polk County Development Authority Update

- Attended a plant and HR manager luncheon on August 20th in Atlanta on positive employee relations.
- Attended a Blue Print Polk meeting.
- GWGJDA Website and Marketing brochure is complete with the first regional presentation to be a site consulting firm in a couple of weeks.
- Continuing to work on tax abatement procedures with the local jurisdictions and industries.
- Sponsorship of the small business expo.
- Branding and marketing training – GEDA Conference in Savannah.
- Attending a retail workshop in Rome tomorrow.
- Attending a digital marketing boot camp to improve Polk County Development Authority website and social media presence.
- SEUS – Japan conference mid-November in Birmingham, Alabama.

ADJOURN

At 6:30 p.m., there being no further business for consideration, Commissioner Hubbard moved to adjourn. Commissioner Martin seconded, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” the Commission adjourned.

APPROVED:

**DALE TUCK, CHAIRMAN
CEDARTOWN CITY COMMISSION**

ATTEST:

**CAROL CRAWFORD
CITY CLERK**

