

**CEDARTOWN CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING
JULY 13, 2015**

Commissioners Present: Dale Tuck, Chairman
Gary Martin, Chairman Pro-Tem
Larry Odom

Commissioners Absent: Matt Foster
Jordan Hubbard

Also Present: Bill Fann, City Manager
Carey Pilgrim, City Attorney
Lisa Barker, Acting Secretary

PUBLIC HEARING –CONDITIONAL USE REQUEST – JULIO SOTO – BROTHERS TIRE – 29 NORTH MAIN STREET

City Attorney Carey Pilgrim opened the public hearing. Julio Soto of Brothers Tire spoke “for” the project. There were no comments “against” the conditional use request. There being no further comments the public hearing was closed.

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Commission Chairman Dale Tuck called the meeting to order. Bishop Joseph Sewell of Lake Creek Anointed Ministries gave the invocation, which was followed by the pledge of allegiance to the United States Flag.

AGENDA & MINUTES APPROVED

On motion by Commissioner Foster, seconded by Commissioner Martin, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” the Commission approved the current agenda and the City Commission meeting minutes of June 8, 2015 and the Work Session minutes of July 6, 2015.

PRESENTATION – 2014 AUDIT – RUSHTON & COMPANY

Chris Hollifield, CPA with Rushton & Company presented the 2014 audit to the Commission.

DELEGATE – LAURA GUZMAN – ST. BERNADETTE’S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Laura Guzman appeared before the Commission for St. Bernadette’s Catholic Church to request the use of Peeks Park on Sunday, August 2, 2015. A motion was made by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Odom, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” the Commission approved St. Bernadette’s Catholic Church to use Peeks Park on Sunday, August 2, 2015.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

- East Avenue paving project will begin within the next two weeks. There will be some obvious disruption and lane rerouting as the street is milled and then repaved. The project should take about a week to ten days to complete. Gibson Street paving is complete and the Cherokee Road project will be done this week.
- We have received our 2016 LMIG allotment notice and will receive about \$94,000 from the State next year for paving. Combined with our 30% match requirement we will use over \$122,000 in local paving maintenance.
- Jefferson’s opened last Monday and set a first day sales record for the Jefferson’s chain. They also set the first week sales record for the chain and served over 5,200 customers.
- May 2015 Budget Summary – 41.67%

Revenue

Utilities	46.98%	\$1,467,350.85
General Fund	39.36%	\$2,997,006.10
Total	41.58%	\$4,464,356.95

Expenditures

Utilities	37.57%	\$1,026,484.77
General Fund	42.40%	\$3,136,877.72
Total	41.10%	\$4,163,362.49

Variance – Rev/Exp 0.48% \$ 300,994.46

Note: ½ of the annual retirement contribution has been paid (\$450,000 +/-)
Workers comp insurance premium for 2015 is 85% paid as of May
General Liability and Property Insurance 100% paid (\$205,000 +/-)
No TAN

CONDITIONAL USE REQUEST – JULIO SOTO - BROTHERS TIRE – 29 NORTH MAIN STREET

A motion was made by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Odom, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” to approve the conditional use request from Julio Soto for Brothers Tire located at 29 North Main Street per the list of conditions set by the Cedartown Planning Commission.

RESOLUTION ENDORSING SUBMISSION OF THE DDRLF APPLICATION

On motion by Commissioner Odom, seconded by Commissioner Martin, all voting “Aye” none voting “No” the Commission approved **RESOLUTION 7, 2015** endorsing the submission of the DDRLF application by the Downtown

Development Authority for the downtown project at 110 Herbert Street on behalf of the Cedar & Smoke Restaurant and agreeing to support the development of the project.

GEORGIA NORTHWESTERN TECHNICAL COLLEGE RENOVATION BIDS

A motion was made by Commissioner Odom, seconded by Commissioner Martin, all voting "Aye" none voting "No" to approve the bid from Benny Hubbard in the amount of \$29,526.04 for the Georgia Northwestern Technical College renovations at One Door Polk.

ELECTION AGREEMENT WITH POLK COUNTY FOR THE 2015 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

On motion by Commissioner Odom, seconded by Commissioner Martin, all voting "Aye" none voting "No" the Commission approved the Election Agreement with Polk County for the 2015 Municipal Election.

CHANGE TO YARD SALE ORDINANCE

A motion was made by Commissioner Odom, seconded by Commissioner Martin, all voting "Aye" none voting "No" to adopt **ORDINANCE 4, 2015** to include special exceptions may be considered for local or regional events upon prior written approval by the City Manager or his/her designee.

GEORGIA DOT TRANSIT OPERATING ASSISTANCE GRANT

On motion by Commissioner Odom, seconded by Commissioner Martin, all voting "Aye" none voting "No" to approve the Georgia DOT Transit Operating Assistance Grant for 7/1/2015 to 6/30/2016.

APPOINTMENT TO THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

A motion was made by Commissioner Odom, seconded by Commissioner Martin, all voting "Aye" none voting "No" to appoint Olin Hackney to fill the position left vacant by John Clark to the Downtown Development Authority.

RESOLUTION FOR THE DESTRUCTION OF RECORDS

On motion by Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Odom, all voting "Aye" none voting "No" the Commission approved **RESOLUTION 8, 2015** for the destruction of records according to the current records policy.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

- Commission Chair Pro-Tem Martin thanked the citizens of Cedartown, the current Commission board and past board for his 8 years of service to the City of Cedartown. Commissioner Martin advised that he will not be running for re-election.
- Commissioner Odom stated that he was pleased with the 2014 Audit.
- Chairman Tuck thanked Ramona for the certification from the National Main Street Center and Georgia Main Street accrediting the Cedartown Main Street Program as a 2015 National Main Street Program.
- Chairman Tuck read a letter from Tony Brazier of Litesey Funeral Home commending the unselfish acts of city employees; Lee Hayes, Skipper Wood, Dillan Anderson, Kaleb Lindsey, Nick Wray, Billy Bosler, Hollis Jackson and Jimmy Barfield. These employees were called upon for an indigent burial where the decedent had no family or friends to handle the arrangements. Each of these men took dedicated steps to see that this indigent deceased person received a proper burial.

ADJOURN

At 7:00 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:

**CHAIRMAN, CEDARTOWN
CITY COMMISSION**

ATTEST:

**LISA BARKER, ACTING SECRETARY
CEDARTOWN CITY COMMISSION**

