

DATE: 8/18/2020 FILE NO: DATE488

TO: Cherokee County Council

SUBJECT: Minutes of Regular Meeting, 8/17/2020

There was a Regular Meeting of County Council Monday, 8/17/2020, 5 PM in Council Chambers. Chairman Tim Spencer presided with David Smith leading in prayer. All council members were present along with Administrator Bratton, Attorney Joe Mathis and Master Clerk to Council Doris Pearson. The news media was informed by agenda and it was posted in accordance with the SCFOIA. One news media was present. There were 5 visitors.

Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to adopt the agenda of the Regular Meeting of Monday, 8/17/2020 as received and posted in accordance with the SCFOIA. Quay Little seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Quay Little made the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of 8/10/2020 as received. Lyman Dawkins seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Mike Fowlkes made the motion to approve the claims for Cherokee County in the amount of \$242,705.31. Quay Little seconded and council voted in favor.

Administrator Bratton reported on Bid 2020-24 Digitizing Old Records for Clerk of Court. 12 bids were received & reviewed by COC Brandy McAbee. **[Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to award Bid 2020-24 Digitizing Old Records for COC to All Pro Solutions for their low bid. David Smith seconded and council voted in favor.]**

Administrator Bratton presented 3 SCDHEC grants for the Recycling Dept. Waste Tire Grant - \$32,815; Used Oil Grant - \$8,050 and SW Reduction Grant - \$9500. **[Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion to allow Administrator Bratton to approve & sign all three Recycling Grants from SCDHEC. David Smith seconded and council voted in favor.]**

Administrator Bratton reported on the Gaffney Little Theater that he had talked with an architect who is working to get a figure on what needs to be done to upgrade the GLT. I'll report back at the next meeting again.

Administrator Bratton reported on the Cherokee County Long-Range Plan 2037: A Clear Vision. The committee met last Tuesday, 8/11/2020. The reason we are going 2037 which is actually a 17- year plan instead of a 15-year plan is because we were founded in 1897 and that will put us at 140 years. At the point, we will look at a 10-year plan which will put us at 150 years. The Steering Committee consists of: Dr. Michael Bridges, Pastor at Concord Baptist Church; Will Cobb, Blacksburg Magistrate; Glenda Hartzog, owner of Hartzog's; Abbie Sossamon, Asst. Publisher of Gaffney Ledger; and, Jamie Vinesett, Comptroller at Freightliner. They have come up with 4 sectors that they will be focusing on: economic development, tourism, infrastructure and quality of life.

Administrator Steve Bratton informed council of an invite to meet the new State VA Secretary MG Will Grimsley on Monday, 8/24/2020 @ 1:30 in the Cherokee Co. VA Office.

Councilman Lyman Dawkins after receiving Administrator Bratton's report on requiring masks due to the COVID 19 Virus and upon county council's discussion and consent ask Administrator Bratton to spread the word that Cherokee County Council highly recommends that all Cherokee County residents wear face masks at this time during the COVID 19 Pandemic. Administrator Bratton replied that he will post in on our county webpage, face book page & Instagram.

Councilman Tracy McDaniel made the motion for council to go into Executive Session pursuant to Section 30-4-70 (a)(3) for a personnel matter. David Smith seconded and council voted in favor and went into Executive Session at 5:21 PM.

Councilman Quay Little made the motion for council to come out of Executive Session at 5:55 PM and enter back into the Regular Meeting. Lyman Dawkins seconded and council voted in favor. Attorney Mathis reported that no action was taken during executive session.

Councilman Quay Little made the motion to assign the Administrative County Vehicle to Asst. Admin. Tim Hartman and to allocate & pay \$600/month per diem to Administrator Bratton for vehicle allowance. Lyman Dawkins seconded and council voted in favor.

Councilman Quay Little appointed Gigi Hamrick to serve a term on the Cherokee Co. Citizen Planning Committee. Tracy McDaniel seconded and council voted in favor.

As there was no other business to come before council at this time, Chairman Spencer adjourned the meeting at 5:59 PM.

APPROVED: 9/8/2020

Respectfully submitted,

BY ITS CHAIRMAN: Tim Spencer

Doris F. Pearson, Master Clerk to Council