Town of Alto Regular Meeting March 09, 2021 Minutes

Those in attendance:

Audrey Turner, Mayor
Eddie Palmer, Mayor Pro Tem
Carolyn Cabe, Council Post 1
James Turner, Council Post 2
Allen Fox, Council Post 3
PJ Huggins, Council Post 5
Josh Ivey, Chief of Police
Penny Rogers, Town Clerk
Absent: Lisa Turner, CFO

A work session preceded the meeting at 6:30pm in which Chief Josh Ivey addressed the Officials concerning his department. After explaining details of operations, he inquired if he could raise the starting pay for GCIC clerks, police officers, give a raise to current employees and then raise the fee per name to offset the increases. Council was in agreement with his request. Following this, the regular meeting began at 7pm. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Audrey Turner. The invocation was delivered by Eddie Palmer and followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The agenda was presented to the Council for approval. Mayor Turner stated that under New Business, (b) SPLOST balances / projects should be tabled and Bike Ride for Lupus and Harris letter should be added. Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to approve with the changes. Councilman Allen Fox seconded the motion.

Approved by all.

The minutes of the February 24, 2021 called meeting were presented for approval. Councilwoman Carolyn Cabe made a motion to accept the minutes. Councilman James Turner seconded the motion.

Approved by all.

New Business:

After viewing the well house door bids, Pro Tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to accept the bid from Chattahoochee Professional Door, Inc. for \$11,476.00.

Councilman James Turner seconded the motion.

Approved by all.

Representative Amos Smith came before the Officials and explained the Bike Ride for Lupus and requested to use the park and the Community Center for the event. They are raising awareness of how terrible the disease is and how many people it affects. The event would be all day family activities including raffles, tee

shirts, an auction, BBQ plates for \$5 and the bike ride to raise funds to help local patients with their medications and care. Pro Tem Eddie Palmer made a motion to sponsor and make a donation to this event. Councilman Allen Fox seconded the motion.

Approved by all.

Mayor Audrey Turner read the letter from Mr. and Mrs. Harris requesting if the Town would consider a cash offer of \$27,500.00 for the Cedar Creek lot. Officials agreed to reconsider and gather information to look at all the details.

Old Business: None

Recommendations from Officers, Departments, and Attorneys:

Mayor Turner informed the Officials that S&D Solutions would begin on the wells Wednesday the 10th. She then stated that another bid for the Southgate Road line is expected to come in.

Public comments:

Pastor Johnny Johnson of Clear View Baptist Church commented that his wife and mother-in-law have been diagnosed with Lupus. He knows how vital it is to get people educated on this disease. He acknowledged that the biker community is a great group of people riding for a very important cause.

Resident Margaret Beaupre inquired on the status of the two houses on Wash Street. Mayor Turner responded that she would check with Inspector Joe Davidson to see where it stands.

Councilwoman Carolyn Cabe made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pro Tem Eddie Palmer seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by:

Penny Rogers Town Clerk

BREAKDOWN OF BIDS FOR SOUTHGATE PROJECT:

S-D SOLUTIONS LLC:

2270 FEET AT \$26 PER LINEAR FOOT = \$59,020.00

CASED BORE = 5,800.00

MATERIALS = <u>39,154.67</u>

TOTAL = \$103,974.67

DIVIDED BY 2270 FEET = \$45.80 PER FOOT

HIGGINS CONSTRUCTION:

TOTAL LABOR = \$67,300.00

6" UPGRADE = 3720.00

MATERIALS = <u>22,215.14</u>

TOTAL = \$93,235.14

DIVIDED BY 2230 FEET = \$41.81 PER FOOT