Town of Alto
Regular Meeting
April 12, 2016
Minutes

Those in attendance:

Audrey Turner, Mayor
Carolyn Cabe, Mayor Pro-tem
John Closs, Council Post 2
Eddie Palmer, Council Post 4
PJ Huggins, Council Post 5
Tim Vaughan, Police Chief
Joe Davidson, Building Official
Gary Kimbral, Water Supervisor
Penny Rogers, Town Clerk
Absent: Lisa Turner, Finance Officer

      The Alto Town Council held a regular meeting on April 12, 2016. Preceding the meeting was a work session in which the zoning, E911 radio fees, and House Bill 370 status was discussed by Attorney David Syfan. The meeting was then called to order by Mayor Audrey Turner. The invocation was delivered by Councilman John Closs.

      The agenda was presented to the Council for approval. Mayor Audrey Turner stated that (c) Criminal Code Resolution needed to be added under New Business and (e) Caputi road project needed to be added under Old Business. Mayor Pro-tem Carolyn Cabe made a motion to approve the agenda with the additions. Councilwoman PJ Huggins seconded the motion.   Approved by all.

      The minutes of the March 8, 2016 meeting were presented for approval. Councilman Eddie Palmer made a motion to accept. Pro-tem Carolyn Cabe seconded the motion.   Approved by all.

<u>New Business:</u>
      The first item under New Business was the Zoning Ordinance. Attorney Syfan asked the Officials to read it and get all changes and/or additions to him within two weeks so the first reading can be at the May meeting with second reading in June along with a public hearing. He explained that the purpose of a Zoning Ordinance is to protect the greater good of the communities within the City. The first part is the written description that details each property classification and the second part is the actual map in which has to be finished before presenting it to the public.

Next, Councilman Eddie Palmer made a motion to donate $150 to the Habersham County Library. Councilman John Closs seconded the motion. Approved by all.

Councilman John Closs made a motion to adopt the Criminal Code Resolution that states "No person shall create a hazardous or physically offensive condition by an act which serves no legitimate purpose." Councilman Eddie Palmer seconded the motion.   Approved by all.

Old Business:
Mayor Turner informed the Council that the IT in a Box should be up and running within a couple of weeks.

Mayor Turner stated that the restroom facility is finished and the playground is in the process of being moved to the new site.

There is no new information on the E911 radio fees.

The Officials discussed the upcoming festival on June 4th. Mayor Turner is working on the shirt design and entertainment is set. This years' theme is Local Grown Musicians.

Last on the list was the Caputi road project. After viewing the quotes, Councilman Eddie Palmer made a motion to accept the quote from S-D Solutions. Councilman John Closs seconded the motion.   Approved by all.

Recommendations from Officers, Departments, and Attorneys:
Officials discussed getting an attractive package together that would assist in the potential annexation of Anderson Village.
Mayor Turner informed the Officials of a possible test well site.
Chief Tim Vaughan handed out monthly police totals and stated that he is in the process of applying for a grant.

Public Comments:
Resident Cheryl Closs inquired of a potential date that the Town would be putting up a privacy fence between the park and their property line with added protection from the park. Mayor Turner stated that we haven't gotten that far yet, but it is in the plans. Mr. and Mrs. Closs insisted on knowing when this would begin as they are concerned for their safety. Councilwoman PJ Huggins stated that a potential date to have park finished would be before the festival June 4th. After a heated debate, Mayor Turner abruptly ended the discussion.

    Councilwoman PJ Huggins made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pro-tem Carolyn Cabe seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.
                                           Approved by all.

Respectfully submitted by:

Penny Rogers
Town Clerk