

## CITY OF DAHLONEGA

# City Council Special Called Meeting Minutes

August 16, 2021 4:00 PM Gary McCullough Chambers, Dahlonega City Hall

#### **PRESENT**

Mayor Sam Norton Councilmember JoAnne Taylor Councilmember Roman Gaddis Councilmember Johnny Ariemma Councilmember Joel Cordle

### **ABSENT**

Councilmember Ron Larson

### CALL TO ORDER AND WELCOME

Mayor Norton called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm

#### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mayor Norton called for a motion to approve the agenda as presented with no amendments.

Motion made by Councilmember Taylor, Seconded by Councilmember Cordle. Voting Yea: Councilmember Taylor, Councilmember Gaddis, Councilmember Ariemma, Councilmember Cordle

## **NEW BUSINESS**

 Appointment - DDA / Main Street Program Board, Sam Norton, Mayor Appoint AC Moore to Downtown Dahlonega Authority/Main St Board.

Mayor Norton discussed the importance and benefits of giving back to the community by serving on boards and asked for a motion to appoint AC Moore to the Board.

Motion made by Councilmember Cordle, Seconded by Councilmember Taylor. Voting Yea: Councilmember Taylor, Councilmember Gaddis, Councilmember Ariemma, Councilmember Cordle

Mayor Norton completed the swearing in of AC Moore.

2. Authorization for Additional ARPA Application, Bill Schmid, City Manager

The City Manager requested Council consent to apply for additional funds which were allocated to the State of Georgia. Council discussed the amount of funds available and being requested.

Mayor Norton requested Council to make a motion to receive additional funding for the City.

Motion made by Councilmember Taylor, Seconded by Councilmember Gaddis. Voting Yea: Councilmember Taylor, Councilmember Gaddis, Councilmember Ariemma, Councilmember Cordle

3. FY2022 Budget and 5-Year Capital Improvements Program, Allison Martin, Finance Director

Director Martin indicated there were no changes since it was last submitted, and it is ready for adoption

Mayor Norton called for a motion to adopt the FY2022 Budget.

Motion made by Councilmember Taylor, Seconded by Councilmember Cordle.

Council requested a far-right percentage column to show difference in 2021 amended budget and 2022 budget.

Voting Yea: Councilmember Taylor, Councilmember Gaddis, Councilmember Ariemma, Councilmember Cordle

4. 2021 Tax Digest and Millage Rate, Allison Martin, Finance Director

Director Martin indicated the 2021 Milage rate will be 5.508.

Council discussed the milage rate and the rollback and thanked the staff for working hard on the budget and decreasing the millage rate.

Motion made by Councilmember Taylor, Seconded by Councilmember Ariemma. Voting Yea: Councilmember Taylor, Councilmember Gaddis, Councilmember Ariemma, Councilmember Cordle

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Norton requested a motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:13pm

Motion made by Councilmember Cordle, Seconded by Councilmember Taylor. Voting Yea: Councilmember Taylor, Councilmember Gaddis, Councilmember Ariemma, Councilmember Cordle