

The Mayor and Council of the City of Colquitt met in regular session on Tuesday, July 12, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Complex, 154 West Street, Colquitt, GA 39837.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jimmy Phillips, Mayor  
KaCee Holt, Council  
ReCarlos Williams, Council  
Algin Merritt, Council  
George Williams, Council

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Cory Thomas, City Manager  
Scott Worsley, Police Chief  
Craig Tully, Fire Chief  
Winston Trively, Golf Manager

**OPENING PRAYER**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

*Nina Richardson* was present to discuss the covenants at the Golf Course. Ms. Richardson was advised that the City was in compliance, but since Ms. Richardson is not the property owner, that's all that could be discussed with her.

*Kim Merritt* was present to discuss impact fees at the Golf Course. According to the City's records, paying impact fees should end in the year 2020. Some property owners had bills showing dates as early as 1999. On motion of G. Williams and second of R. Williams, Council unanimously voted to give property owners thirty (30) days to bring in Utility Bills showing when the twenty (20) year termination from paying on Golf Course Impact Fees should end. The Mayor and Council will then vote on a final termination date. This date will be the end of impact fees paid at the golf course.

**ACTION ITEMS**

**Minutes:** On motion of G. Williams and second of R. Williams, Council unanimously voted to approve the minutes of June 14, 2016.

**Public Hearing Minutes:** On motion of G. Williams and second of R. Williams, Council unanimously voted to approve the public hearing minutes of June 30, 2016.

**Approve 2016 Utility Write-Offs:** On motion of R. Williams and second of Holt, Council unanimously voted to approve the 2016 Utility Write-Offs.

**Call for Special Election:** On motion of G. Williams and second of Merritt, Council unanimously voted to give the Mayor authorization to sign a call for the following referendums to be held in conjunction with the County's November General Election:

*Sunday package sales of malt beverages, wine, and distilled spirits (liquor) to the ballot in the November General Election.*

*Sunday sales of beer and/or wine by the drink to the ballot in the November General Election.*

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**Discussion-Woodstork Theater:** On motion of G. Williams and second of Merritt, Council voted to transfer the title for the Woodstork Theater from the Downtown Development Authority to the City of Colquitt and also voted to approve \$165,000 budget to pay off One Georgia Authority and other incidentals. A letter to OneGeorgia will be written outlining payoff of the loan and add funds needed to complete the project totaling \$315,000. Voting in favor was Councilman G. Williams, Councilman Merritt, Councilman R. Williams, and Mayor Phillips. Councilwoman Holt abstained.

**Financing-Woodstork Theater:** On motion of R. Williams and second of Merritt, Council voted to approve financing of the Woodstork Theater project from Peoples South Bank. Voting in favor was Councilman R. Williams, Councilman Merritt, Councilwoman Holt, and Mayor Phillips. Councilman G. Williams abstained.

**Adopt 2016-2017 Budget:** On motion of R. Williams and second of G. Williams, Council unanimously voted to adopt the 2016-2017 budget excluding the contribution to Colquitt Miller Chamber of Commerce.

On motion of G. Williams and second of R. Williams, Council voted to add to the budget \$17,500 contribution to Colquitt Miller Chamber of Commerce. Voting in favor was Councilman G. Williams, Councilman Merritt, Councilman R. Williams, and Mayor Phillips. Councilwoman Holt abstained.

**Approval-Amend 2015-2016 Budget:** On motion of G. Williams and second of Merritt, Council unanimously voted amend the 2015-2016 budget.

**CONSENT ITEMS**

**Fire Department/Public Works Department  
Police Department/Probation  
Golf Club  
Recreation**

On motion of G. Williams and second of Holt, Council unanimously voted to approve the Department Reports for the month of June 2016.

**Public Works Purchase Request:** On motion of R. Williams and second of Merritt, Council unanimously voted to approve Public Works purchase request to repair manholes. The total will be \$3000.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:** Cory Thomas, City Manager, had nothing to report.

**MAYOR/COUNCIL DISCUSSION:** On motion of Merritt and second of R. Williams, Council unanimously voted to submit a letter to the County requesting a monthly Recreation Splost report.

**ADJOURNMENT:** On motion of G. Williams and second of R. Williams, Council adjourned.

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**CITY CLERK**

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**MAYOR**