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City of Statham
COUNCIL MEETING
May 20, 2014
7:00 P.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:**

The regular business meeting of the City of Statham City Council was called to order by Mayor Robert Bridges at 7:01 p.m. Members present were Mayor Robert Bridges and Council Members Perry Barton, Betty Lyle, Gayle Steed and Hattie Thrasher. David Huth was absent. Also in attendance were Police Chief Steve Martin, Code Enforcement Officer, Randy Gordon, City Attorney Thomas Mitchell, and City Clerk Harriet Jett Kilpatrick. The media was represented by Stanley Dunlop of the Barrow County News.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

(A) **COUNCIL MEETING – April 14, 2014**

Gayle Steed made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2014 council meeting as written. Betty Lyle seconded the motion. 4-0

3. **PUBLIC HEARING FOR REZONING:**

(A) **.98 Acres at Sunset Drive, Parcel ST01 022 to be combined with Parcel ST01 021 and rezoned from R1 to CH.**

According to the applicant, the area will be fenced with RV's parked inside the fence. Perry Barton made a motion for the property to be rezoned to CH and the two parcels combined. Hattie Thrasher seconded the motion. 4-0.

4. **2ND READING OUTSIDE EVENTS ORDINANCE**

City attorney Thomas Mitchell handed out the new ordinance. Gayle Steed made a motion to adopt the outside events ordinance. Parry Barton seconded the motion. 4-0

5. **OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no old business.



6. NEW BUSINESS:**(A) K-9 DISPOSITION**

Gayle Steed made a motion that the City retire the K-9 dog and allow Officer Allen Johnston to keep him. Hattie Thrasher seconded the motion. 4-0

7. OTHER BUSINESS:

At this point in the meeting, a citizen, Lee Weems, asked to speak to the council

Gayle Steed made a motion to allow him to speak. Betty Lyle seconded the motion.

Mr. Weems questioned the council regarding whether or not the Council had asked for a quote for a metal detector since the new gun law passed. He proceeded to argue and challenge the Council regarding gun rights and the law and eventually introduced himself as a Police Officer currently employed by the Oconee County Police Department. Mayor Bridges reminded Office Weems that citizens are allowed to speak for 2 minutes.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There were no committee reports.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

N/A

9. ADJOURN:

There being no further business before the Council, Hattie Thrasher made a motion to Adjourn. Betty Lyle seconded the Motion. The meeting of the City of Statham City Council adjourned at 7:18 p.m.