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**CITY COUNCIL**  
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David Huth  
Betty Lyle  
Gayle Steed  
Hattie Thrasher

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Patti Powell

*City of Statham*  
**COUNCIL MEETING**  
**July 15, 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 7:02 p.m. Members present were Mayor Robert Bridges and Council Members Perry Barton, David Huth, Betty Lyle, and Gayle Steed. Hattie Thrasher was not present. Also in attendance were Police Chief Steve Martin, Code Enforcement Officer, Randy Gordon, and City Clerk Harriet Jett Kilpatrick. The media was represented by Bonnie Harper of the Barrow County News.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**(A) COUNCIL MEETING – June 17, 2014**

Perry Barton made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2014 council meeting as written. Betty Lyle seconded the motion. 4-0.

**(B) SPECIAL CALLED MEETING – June 24, 2014**

David Huth made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 24, 2014 meeting. Gayle Steed seconded the motion. 4-0.

**3. PUBLIC HEARING FOR ALCOHOL LICENSE:**

**(A) Statham Circle Express, 2059 Atlanta Highway, SE**

David Huth asked Chief Martin if everything was clear, Chief Martin said that yes, everything was clear.

**4. OLD BUSINESS:**

**(A) Statham Circle Express, 2059 Atlanta Highway, SE**

Perry Barton made a motion that we approve the alcohol license for Statham Circle Express. David Huth seconded. 4-0.

**5. NEW BUSINESS:**

**(A) Purple Heart Resolution Community Resolution.** David Huth made a motion that we approve the resolution. Perry Barton seconded the motion. 4-0.



(B) 2014 TAD Resolution. Gayle Steed made a motion to adopt the TAD resolution. Betty Lyle seconded. 4-0.

(C) 1<sup>st</sup> Read Official City Map

According to Randy Gordon, the actual center of Statham was located and it changed the map slightly. There are a few parcels that have somehow been left out of the former Official Map. It has been corrected in this version. Gayle Steed made a motion to waive the 1<sup>st</sup> read. David Huth seconded the motion. 4-0.

(D) Approval of contract with Philips State Prison:

Mayor Bridges explained that he tried to get a "minimum number" of prisoners added to the contract and the prison was unable to assure a minimum number. Perry Barton made a motion to approve the 2014-2015 contract with Philips State Prison. Gayle Steed seconded the motion. 4-0.

6. KAREN DANIEL

Reiterated her concern about the need for speed bumps in her neighborhood because people who live in the neighborhood and those travelling through speed. There are children playing in the street and she is concerned that a child is going to be hurt or killed by someone who is not paying attention or driving fast. She agreed that if we sent letters to the people she recognized, that would be good; however, there are a lot of people who travel through that she does not know. She told the story of her mother-in-law who was hit and killed when she was checking her mail because her mailbox was located across the street. The city moved her mailbox after her mother in law was killed.

Mayor Bridges asked where her mother-in-law lived; Karen replied that they lived off of 441 and she would hate for Statham to make a decision after someone is hurt or killed.

Council members asked several questions about signage, etc. Council members and Randy Gordon suggested that we put additional signage, in different colors to help the situation since speed bumps are so expensive and prohibitive for the City. Ms. Daniel agreed to the additional signage to see how effective those are.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Betty Lyle reported that there were 50 vendors signed up for the Sunflower Festival to date.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

N/A

9. SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Bridges appointed Steve Martin as City Administrator and promoted Allan Johnston from Asst. Chief to Chief of Police. There was a period for public discussion.

**10. ADJOURN:**

There being no further business before the Council, David Huth made a motion to Adjourn. Betty Lyle seconded the Motion. 4.0. The meeting of the City of Statham City Council adjourned at 7:25 p.m.