**CITY OF ETON, GEORGIA**

**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

**JULY 2, 2024**

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The Eton Council met July 2, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Cantrell presiding.

Council Members Present: Anthony Ridley, Traci Rankin, Zach Hall, and Joan Dooley

Staff Present: Kim Hall, City Clerk

Terry Miller, City Attorney

Todd Pasley, Police Chief

Seth Kirby, Public Works Director

**CALL TO ORDER**

Following the Call to Order by Mayor Cantrell, Council Member Hall made the motion to accept the June 4, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes as submitted in writing by the Clerk. Council Member Rankin seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

**NEW BUSINESS**

COUNCIL - ANNUAL STORMWATER REVIEW……………………………………………………………………………………………

The Mayor and Council reviewed information regarding the Clean Water Campaign along with public education opportunities and awareness programs.

M-1 DEVELOPMENT REVIEW ORDINANCE - FIRST READING…………………………………………………………………….

The Mayor and Council conducted the first reading of Ordinance 2024-9 which regulated M-1 zone permitted uses, limitations on use, and the development review process.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Clerk Report………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………

Budget Report given by Clerk Hall.

Police Report……………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………..

Police report given by Chief Pasley as follows: 56 calls, 104 citations, 100 warnings, 10 arrests with 0 being drug related, 4 DUIs, 4823 miles patrolled, and $29,138.43 fines assessed.

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Street Report…………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………………….

Street report given by Director Kirby.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**

Chatsworth Water informed Eton they would no longer be managing our stormwater program. They will not manage the programs for Chatsworth or Murray County either. The Mayor stated Steve Richards would complete Eton’s stormwater management requirements.

Dalton Distillery has leased the Fresh n Low building.

**ATTORNEY’S REPORT**

None

**BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR**

Council Member Rankin asked for a bush to be trimmed at First National Bank. It is impeding traffic views.

Mr. and Mrs. French stated the Eton fireworks were great and they were viewable from their home in Ridgecrest Subdivision.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council Member Hall made the motion to enter Executive Session to discuss a potential real estate acquisition. Council Member Rankin seconded, and all were in favor.

Council Member Rankin made the motion to adjourn Executive Session and reconvene regular Council Meeting. Council Member Ridley seconded the motion, and all were in favor. No action taken during Executive Session

**FINE SCHEDULE**

The Mayor and Council agreed heavy truck violation fines should be uniform whether a local ordinance charge or a state code charge. Council Member Rankin made the motion to keep the local ordinance fine amount at $500 and to set the state code fine amount (40-6-51) at $500. Following a second by Council Member Hall, the motion passed unanimously.

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**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business for consideration, Council Member Rankin made the motion to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Upon second from Council Member Hall and a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned.

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