

**Pickens City Council  
Minutes of Regular Session  
City Hall Council Chambers  
September 10, 2018 — 6:00 P.M.**

Present: Mayor David Owens  
Council Member Donna Owen  
Council Member Patti Welborn  
Council Member Donnie McKinney  
Council Member Fletcher Perry  
Council Member Patrick Lark  
Council Member Lois Porter  
City Administrator David Poulson  
Clerk to Council Brittany Chapman

**1. Invocation**

Council Member Perry provided the Invocation.

**2. Call Regular Session to Order**

Mayor Owens Called the Session to Order at 6:04 p.m.

**3. Comments from Citizens**

James Lee owner of one of the Mobile Home Parks in Pickens spoke on concerns about the usage/minimum charge due to the city since he sold the property.

**4. Constitution Week Proclamation**

Mayor Owens Presented the Proclamation for Constitution Week to the Daughters of American Revolution.

**5. Historical Society Presentation – Wayne Kelley**

Wayne Kelley led the Historical Society Presentation with a brief slide show on Restoration of Fort Prince George.

**6. Electronic Signs Discussion**

Jennifer Vissage headed the Electronic Signs Discussion along with City Council. Zack Hinton from Blue Ridge Electric went over their proposed sign options with City Council.

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark moved to Approve option one for Electronic Signs; Council Member Perry seconded. The vote was 4-3 in favor of the motion.

**7. Purchase of New Generator for City Hall Approval**

Chris Elrod provided in-depth information on the Purchase of a New Generator for City Hall.

**MOTION:** Council Member Perry moved to Approve the Purchase of New Generator for City Hall; Council Member Welborn seconded. The vote was 7-0 in favor of the motion.

**8. Approve Minutes**

- a. **August 6, 2018 – Special Called Session Minutes**
- b. **August 6, 2018 – Regular Session Minutes**
- c. **August 20, 2018 – Work Session Minutes**

**MOTION:** Council Member Donna Owen moved to Approve the above listed Minutes (a, b, & c); Council Member Lark seconded. The vote was 7-0 in favor of the motion.

**9. First Reading of Ordinance 2018-06, Rezoning of 206 Griffin Street to R12**

**MOTION:** Council Member Donna Owen moved to Adopt the First Reading of Ordinance 2018-06, Rezoning of 206 Griffin Street to R12; Council Member McKinney seconded. The vote was 7-0 in favor of the motion.

**10. First Reading of Ordinance 2018-07, Ordinance Relating to Recovery Costs (Setoff Debt Program)**

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark moved to Adopt the First Reading of Ordinance 2018-07, Ordinance Relating to Recovery Costs (Setoff Debt Program); Council Member Lark seconded. The vote was 7-0 in favor of the motion.

**11. Reading of Resolution 2018-05, Resolution to Participate in Setoff Debt Program**

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark moved to Adopt the Reading of Resolution 2018-05, Resolution to Participate in Setoff Debt Program; Council Member Perry seconded. The vote was 7-0 in favor of the motion.

**12. Reports from Council Committees:**

a. **Parks & Recreation (Chair Patti Welborn, Members Donnie McKinney & Lois Porter)**

i. **Monthly Recreation Report by Cheri Anthony**

Council Member Welborn went over the provided Monthly Recreation Report by Cheri Anthony.

ii. **Monthly Grounds Report by Jamie Gravley**

Council Member Welborn went over the provided Monthly Grounds Report by Jamie Gravley.

b. **Planning/PRA (Chair Patrick Lark, Members Fletcher Perry & Donna Owen)**

i. **Monthly Planning & Project Report**

Council Member Lark went over Planning with City Council.

ii. **Monthly PRA Report**

Allison Fowler went over the Monthly PRA Report.

c. **Finance (Chair Lois Porter, Members Patrick Lark & Donna Owen)**

i. **Bank Balance Report; Revenue/Expense Report**

Council Member Porter went over the Bank Balance Report; Revenue/Expense Report.

**d. Public Works & Utilities (Chair Fletcher Perry, Members Patti Welborn & Patrick Lark)**

**i. Monthly WTP/WWTP Report by Brian Gravely and Bobby Abercrombie**

Council Member Perry went over the Monthly WTP/WWTP Report provided.

**ii. Monthly Public Works Report**

Council Member Perry & David Poulson discussed start date for Public Works Director.

**e. Police/Fire (Chair Donnie McKinney, Members Fletcher Perry & Patti Welborn)**

**i. Monthly Police Report by Travis Riggs**

Council Member McKinney & Chief Travis Riggs went over the Monthly Police Report provided.

**ii. Monthly Fire Report by Chris Elrod**

Council Member McKinney went over the Monthly Fire Report provided by Chief Chris Elrod.

**f. Pickens Senior Citizens (Chair Donna Owen, Members Donnie McKinney & Lois Porter)**

Council Member Donna Owen went over the happenings for the Pickens Senior Citizens.

**13. Unscheduled/Miscellaneous Business for Discussion**

Davey Hiott spoke on new businesses coming into town & property use possibilities on the recent property he has recently sold. David Poulson went over some of the special events & the project progression that is going on/beginning in the near future.

**14. Motion to Adjourn Regular Session**

**MOTION:** Council Member Lark moved to Adjourn the Regular Session; Council Member McKinney seconded. The vote was 7-0 in favor of the motion at 7:42 p.m.

**Note:** (1) Agenda was posted on the City Hall Bulletin Board, Website, and Distributed to Media via Email on September 7, 2018 and (2) Quorum was present.

**Approved as written:**



**David Owens, Mayor**



**Brittany Chapman, Clerk to Council**