

CITY OF EAST ELLIJAY
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 15, 2024

THE EAST ELLIJAY CITY COUNCIL CONVENED A COUNCIL MEETING ON MAY 15, 2024 AT EAST ELLIJAY CITY HALL.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

DON CALLIHAN, MAYOR
CHRIS CALLIHAN, MAYOR PRO-TEM
ED FORRESTER
LINDA SMITH
JAMES WATERS

CITY OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

PETRINA PRITCHETT- CITY CLERK
LARRY CALLAHAN – PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR
JAXON WEST – CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
KENNY BARNEYCASTLE – STREET DEPARTMENT MANAGER

CALL TO ORDER:

THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 3:00 P.M. BY MAYOR DON CALLIHAN.

1. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

COUNCIL UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE AGENDA FOR THIS MEETING UPON A MOTION BY ED FORRESTER AND A SECOND BY LINDA SMITH.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

COUNCIL REVIEWED AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE MINUTES FOR THE LAST MEETING HELD ON APRIL 17, 2024.

MOTION: LINDA SMITH

SECOND: ED FORRESTER

3. **NEW BUSINESS**

A- PUBLIC HEARING – ORDINANCE 2024-02 ZONING ORDINANCE RELATING TO CRYPTO-CURRENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

MAYOR CALLIHAN CALLED THE PUBLIC HEARING TO ORDER REGARDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE RELATING TO CRYPTO-CURRENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. THERE WAS NO PUBLIC COMMENTS IN OPPOSITION TO THE ORDINANCE. THERE WERE A FEW WHO SPOKE WITH CONCERNS REGARDING ALLOWING A CRYPTO-MINING FACILITY WITHIN THE CITY.

MAYOR CALLIHAN CALLED TO ADJOURN THE PUBLIC HEARING AT 3:11 P.M.

MOTION: JAMES WATERS

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

B- REVIEW/ACTION – ORDINANCE 2024-02

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED ORDINANCE 2024-02 REGARDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE RELATING TO CRYPTO-CURRENCY AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

MOTION: ED FORRESTER

SECOND: CHRIS CALLIHAN

C- REVIEW/ACTION – PRESENT 2024-2025 ALL FUNDS BUDGET TO COUNCIL FOR REVIEW.

COUNCIL WAS PRESENTED THE PROPOSED ALL FUNDS BUDGET FOR 2024-2025 FOR REVIEW. NO MOTION WAS MADE.

MOTION:

SECOND:

D- REVIEW/ACTION – FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR APRIL 2024

COUNCIL REVIEWED, DISCUSSED, AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 2024.

MOTION: ED FORRESTER

SECOND: JAMES WATERS

E. REVIEW/ACTION – NEW BUSINESS LICENSES

COUNCIL REVIEWED AND UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED THE BUSINESS LICENSES AS PER THE ATTACHED MEMO FROM STAFF MEMBER JACQUE HEFNER.

MOTION: CHRIS CALLIHAN

SECOND: LINDA SMITH

4. **OLD BUSINESS**

5. **MAYORS REPORT**

A. UPDATE ON HIGHLANDS PARKWAY

MAYOR UPDATED COUNCIL ON STORM DAMAGE TO HIGHLAND PARKWAY.

6. **COMMITTEE MEMBERS & DEPARTMENT HEADS**

A. PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT – LARRY CALLAHAN

SEE ATTACHED MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE CITY PLANNING DEPARTMENT.

7. **CITIZEN INPUT**

8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 3:20 P.M.

MOTION: ED FORRESTER

SECOND: LINDA SMITH



DON CALLIHAN, MAYOR



PETRINA PRITCHETT, CITY CLERK