

Town of Mount Airy
Council Meeting
Monday, January 9th, 2017 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Gary E. Morris
Councilmember Linda Hughes Councilmember Mike McCoy
Councilmember Ray McAllister Councilmember Adam Tullis
Councilmember Bobby Ayers
Clerk Sheri Berrong Chief Corey Allen

- Mayor Morris called to the meeting to order, then Councilmember McCoy led the invocation and pledge.
- The agenda was accepted as presented.
- Councilmember McCoy made a motion to accept the minutes from Nov. 2, 2016, Dec. 5, 2016 and Dec. 27, 2016 as presented. Councilmember McAllister seconded the motion, passed with all in favor.
- There were no public comments
- During department reports, Chief Allen thanked the Habersham County Sheriff's Department for the truck donated to Mount Airy, which was used during the recent snow event. Clerk Berrong reported that SPLOST VI revenue continues to come in, averaging approximately \$10,000 per month. Property tax collections were at 91% as of Dec. 31, 2016, most business licenses had been renewed. Also during department reports, Clerk Berrong presented a list of 2017 meeting dates and holiday closings for review. She also asked for guidance regarding the Christmas holiday for 2017. After a brief discussion, it was decided that the Town would close Friday Dec. 22 through Monday Dec. 25 2017 to observe the Christmas holiday.
- Mayor Morris mentioned that the council bench was still being constructed.
- Clerk Berrong mentioned a few more dates of importance; Georgia Cities week dates were set as April 23 – April 29. After a short discussion, the annual Cities Day celebration was set for Saturday, April 22, 2017, with the rain date set as April 29 if needed.
- Mayor Morris reported that work was continuing upstairs, particularly the stage.
- Memory bricks were discussed, flag pole needs to be set before any bricks can be set.
- The following appointments were made: Auditor – Duncan & Kitchens, LLC motion by Councilmember McAllister, seconded by Councilmember McCoy, passed with all in favor. Municipal Judge – Robert Sneed motion by Councilmember Tullis, seconded by Councilmember McAllister, passed with all in favor. City Attorney – John Dickerson motion by Councilmember McAllister, seconded by Councilmember Hughes, passed with all in favor. Mayor Pro-Tempe – Councilmember Mike McCoy motion by Councilmember McAllister, seconded by Councilmember Tullis, passed with all in favor.
- Next, Councilmember McAllister made a motion to set qualifying fees for the 2017 Municipal General Election as follows: Mayor - \$35, Council - \$20. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Tullis, passed with all in favor.
- A number of water issues were discussed, no action was taken.

With no other business to discuss, Councilmember Ayers made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Councilmember McAllister, passed with all in favor.

Mayor Gary E. Morris

Councilmember Mike McCoy

Councilmember Linda Hughes

Councilmember McAllister

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