GALAX CITY COUNCIL MEETING February 10, 2003 Minutes

The Galax City Council convened in regular session on February 10, 2003, at 7:30 pm, in the courtroom of the WHS Public Safety Building. The meeting was called to order with the following councilpersons present: Odell Hamden, Sharon Plichta, C. M. Mitchell, Willie Greene, George Valdez and Johnny Lemons. Van McCarter was absent from the meeting.

Mayor Mitchell called the meeting to order. Mrs. Plichta offered the opening prayer and then she led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Councilman Hamden motioned to dispense with the reading of the minutes and to approve them as written. Councilwoman Plichta offered a second to the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Councilman Hamden motioned to accept the first reading of the rate revision for the city's water and sewer fees. Councilman Lemons seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

City Manager Campbell reviewed the extension for the contract audit services with Robinson, Farmer and Cox. This contract is for the 2003 audit and assistance with the GASB Statement 34. Councilman Hamden stated that city staff should compile the GASB information. Councilwoman Plichta motioned to accept the contract and the proposal. Councilman Greene seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Mayor Mitchell reminded Council of the refresher training session for planning and zoning.

Susan Fackrell appeared before Council to request an amendment to the Sign Ordinance. She stated that the present ordinance is very restrictive to businesses located off Main Street and that a proposed sign for her business did not meet the requirements of the ordinance. Following discussion, City Manager Campbell informed Mrs. Fackrell that she could appeal the denial through the BZA. Following further discussion, Councilman Lemons advised Mrs. Fackrell to start the process and see where it leads her.

With no further business to come before Council, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 7:55pm.

Mayor

Danie J. Can here Clerk