

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Knight called the regular meeting of the Rutledge City Council to order on the above date. Council members Tony Sells, Brenda Thompson and Bruce Alznauer were present as were members of the public. Council member Tim Smith was absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Knight called for and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Tony Sells made motion to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2016 meeting as submitted. Brenda Thompson seconded, all voted in favor and motion carried.

COUNTRY FAIR INFORMATION

Mayor Knight advised the council that Dr. Hughes had submitted a list and we were working on it and everything would be ready for the fair.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN REVIEW / DISCUSSION AND CITIZEN INPUT

Bobby Sills with Nelsnick Enterprises was present and went over the Comprehensive Plan Update. Mr. Sills gave an overview of the draft of the vision statement, character area definitions and character area boundaries. He said the purpose of the meeting was to find out how they are doing so far on defining our vision and identifying our issues. Mr. Sills said that the comp plan is a document to help in zoning decisions and is a work plan. It is a 20 year plan and is updated every 10 years. It is a county / city plan. It includes Bostwick, Buckhead and Rutledge. It does not include Madison. It helps to protect private property rights and helps economic

development with long term and short term considerations.

Some of the issues you discussed were the revitalization of downtown, get more customers, the need of close groceries and sidewalk repair and extensions.

Character areas discussed were the historic town center, rural conservation, low impact residential, traditional neighborhoods and gateway corridors.

Maps were laid out and citizens and council marked the character areas. Comprehensive planning benefits the community through smarter decisions that are based on both short term and long term considerations.

SET DATE FOR BUDGET WORK SESSION

Debbie Kilgore said that a date needed to be set for a budget work session and wanted to know when would be a good time for everyone. The budget work session date was scheduled for Thursday, June 9, 2016 at 6:30.

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