

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE APALACHICOLA CITY COMMISSION HELD TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 10, 2019, 6:00 PM AT THE APALACHICOLA COMMUNITY CENTER.**

PRESENT: Mayor Van W. Johnson, Sr.
Commissioner Jimmy Elliott
Mayor Pro Tem Brenda Ash
Commissioner Mitchell Bartley
Commissioner Anita Grove

Ron Nalley, City Manager
Deborah Guillotte, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

PUBLIC HEARING

A. FY 2019-2020 ANNUAL BUDGET AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN – FIRST READING

Mr. Ron Nalley reviewed the City Commission Budget Workshop revisions along with the addition of an extra one percent increase added to salary increases and the Community Redevelopment Agency revision changes that were requested by the Board at their August 27, 2019 meeting. In a response to a question from David Adlerstein, Mr. Nalley reviewed the amounts of monies distributed for the allotted \$80,000 in legal fees. Mr. Nalley stated that it also includes \$3,500 for the Franklin County Animal Control position that had been requested by the County, but that he understood that this was still up for discussion by the Commission.

In a brief discussion concerning the CRA, Mr. Nalley stated that the City will need to work with the County on developing an inter-local agreement concerning the proposed changes to the CRA.

There being no further comments from the public, Mayor Johnson closed the public hearing.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**A. EMERGENCY ORDINANCE 2019-07 – AMENDING ORDINANCE 91-4 AND TO THE
EXTENT NECESSARY, THE CITY CHARTER - ELECTIONS**

Attorney Floyd reviewed the purpose of Emergency Ordinance 2019-07 – amending Ordinance 91-4 and to the extent necessary, the City Charter – Elections.

Commissioner Mitchell Bartley made a motion for Attorney Floyd to read Ordinance 2019-07 in its entirety. Commissioner Anita Grove seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Attorney Floyd read Emergency Ordinance 2019-07 in its entirety.

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 91-4 AND TO THE EXTENT NECESSARY THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA; ARTICLE II SECTION 9; AND CITY OF APALACHICOLA CODE CHAPTER 9 ELECTIONS TO PROVIDE FOR AND CONFIRM THE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA TO CHANGE THE RUN OFF ELECTION DATE FROM THE THIRD TUESDAY AFTER THE THIRD MONDAY IN SEPTEMBER TO THE NEXT EARLIEST DATE THAT WILL ALLOW FOR ABSENTEE VOTING AND EARLY VOTING FOR THOSE ENTITLED TO VOTE IN CITY ELECTIONS AND TO EXTEND AND SET THE RUNOFF ELECTION OF 2019 TO OCTOBER 1, 2019 FOR THAT PURPOSE.

Commissioner Bartley made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-07 amending Ordinance 91-4 and to the extent necessary, the City Charter – Elections. Commissioner Jimmy Elliott seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

A. RESOLUTION NO. 2019-16 – TENTATIVELY ADOPTING FY 2019-2020 MILLAGE RATE

Attorney Floyd read Resolution 2019-16 in its entirety.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA LEVYING THE AD VALOREM PROPERTY TAX MILLAGE RATE FOR MUNICIPAL PURPOSES ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2019 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2020, STATING THE PERCENTAGE BY WHICH THE MILLAGE RATE TO BE LEVIED EXCEEDS THE ROLLED BACK RATE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Commissioner Brenda Ash made a motion to adopt Resolution 2019-16 tentatively adopting the FY 2019-2020 Millage rate. Commissioner Grove seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

NEW BUSINESS

B. ORDINANCE NO. 2019-08 – TENTATIVELY ADOPTING FY 2019-2020 ANNUAL BUDGET AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Attorney Floyd read Ordinance 2019-08 by title as follows:

AN ORDINANCE BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF APALACHICOLA, FLORIDA ADOPTING THE 2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

Commissioner Grove made a motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2019-08 adopting the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year Budget and Capital Improvement Plan and proceed with the adoption process. Commissioner Ash seconded and the motion carried 4-1. Commissioner Bartley opposed.

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Commissioner Grove then gave a brief update on the progress of the City Attorney Selection Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Commissioner Ash made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 pm. Commissioner Grove seconded and motion carried 5-0.

Van W. Johnson, Sr., Mayor

Deborah Guillotte, City Clerk