

**CITY OF ETON, GEORGIA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 5, 2023**

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The Eton Council met December 5, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Cantrell presiding.

Council Members Present: Anthony Ridley (via phone) and Traci Rankin
Staff Present: Kim Hall, City Clerk
Media Patterson, Asst. City Clerk
Terry Miller, City Attorney
Todd Pasley, Police Chief
Seth Kirby, Public Works Director

CALL TO ORDER

Following the Call to Order by Mayor Cantrell, Council Member Rankin made the motion to accept the November 7, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes as submitted in writing by the Clerk. Council Member Ridley seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Mayor and Council conducted a public hearing to receive comments and questions regarding the 2024 Operating Budgets. No comments or questions heard.

NEW BUSINESS

2024 OPERATING BUDGETS - ADOPTION.....

Council Member Rankin made the motion to adopt the 2024 Operating Budgets as presented by Mayor Cantrell. Council Member Ridley seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Clerk Report.....

Budget Report given by Clerk Hall.

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Police Report.....

Police report given by Chief Pasley as follows: 52 calls, 44 citations, 2 arrests, 4425 miles patrolled, and \$6,276.86 fines assessed. Chief Pasley reported GDOT approved the installation of truck route signs on Highway 411. Eton’s speed detection permit has been renewed and will be revised to include Highway 411 North to Petty Drive once GDOT submits Eton roads to the permit agency.

Street Report.....

Street report given by Director Kirby.

MAYOR’S REPORT

None

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Attorney Miller summarized his letter and legal opinion to the Mayor and Council concerning the closing of a portion of Hall Street as requested by Rick Nixon. Tabled until all Council Members are present.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Family Dollar Store in Eton has submitted an application for a beer and wine package sales license. Council Member Rankin made the motion to approve the license. Upon second from Council Member Ridley, the motion passed.

Peggy Hobgood asked questions regarding the November 7th Election and questions about the location of city limit signs. She also asked about the status and appearance of the old Beaulieu building. The Mayor advised her that it was Eton’s hope the property owner would do some work on the building. She made the comment that she had taken a look at Eton from the hill and things looked nice.

Jane Caffee asked for an update on the housing development and any money received by Eton for the housing development project. The Mayor explained the housing development, Chestnut Ridge, should begin construction in 2024. He also stated Eton has applied for an infrastructure grant in the amount of 2.5 million and the Governor’s Office should make a decision on the award in January 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, the Council adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

