

**CITY OF ETON, GEORGIA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 3, 2023**

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The Eton Council met October 3, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Cantrell presiding.

Council Members Present: Anthony Ridley, Traci Rankin, Jim Bartley, and Joan Dooley

Staff Present: Kim Hall, 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 Dooley made the motion to accept the September 5, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes as submitted in writing by the Clerk. Council Member Bartley seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

JUDICIAL COUNCIL.....

The Judicial Council’s Standing Committee recognized the Eton court with an Excellence Award. Eton court demonstrated outstanding performance in meeting or exceeding 100% clearance rate and has distinguished itself among the top 10% of courts in each class in the State of Georgia. Mayor Cantrell commended Media Patterson, as Eton’s court clerk, for a job well done.

MAPCO ALCOHOL LICENSE RENEWAL - NEW OWNERSHIP.....

Mapco in Eton has sold to Martin Management and closes on the sell on 10/31/23. Council Member Dooley made the motion to approve the Alcohol License. Upon second from Council Member Ridley and a unanimous vote, the motion passed.

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: 55 calls, 65 citations, 5 arrests with 2 being DUIs, 4279 miles patrolled, and \$10,621.74 fines assessed. Chief Pasley is working with GDOT to designate a truck route in Eton. The Georgia Dept. of Public Safety is increasing Eton’s radar certification area on Highway 411 to just south of Weaver Drive. The installation of the equipment on the police department truck should be completed by the end of next week. Chief Pasley stated there is one officer who is interested in the additional full time position.

The Chief reported on an accident that occurred in Ridgecrest Subdivision. A vehicle struck a van that was parked on the roadway after dark. The van traveled through three yards and struck a house causing damage. The vehicle that struck the van was totaled. There were no injuries. A citizen in Ridgecrest has asked for additional patrol in Ridgecrest and additional streetlights for the safety of children and walkers. Chief Pasley ordered additional patrol and the officers will begin to write citations for parking on the road, stop sign violations, and speeding. The Mayor and Council will consider the cost of additional streetlights in Ridgecrest when adopting the 2024 operating budget.

Street Report.....

Street report given by Director Kirby. Director Kirby notified the Mayor and Council the repairs will be complete and CSX crossing at 1st Avenue will re-open on Wednesday.

MCIDA REPORT.....

None

MAYOR’S REPORT

The Mayor received a letter from Gina Webb at DCA stating Eton has passed phase 1 of the 2.5 million infrastructure grant. The second phase will be submitted before October 13th.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

Attorney Miller spoke with John Neil regarding the appearance and dilapidation of the old Beaulieu building on Highway 411 in Eton. Mr. Neil stated he would talk to Mr. Bob Shaw and report back to Attorney Miller.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Council Member Bartley asked about repairs to the area at Highway 411 and Highway 286. The Mayor stated our encroachment permit with GDOT is still pending and we cannot do any work until that permit is granted.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

Council Member Dooley made the motion to enter Executive Session. Council Member Bartley seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Council Member Dooley made the motion to adjourn Executive Session and re-convene regular Council Meeting. Council Member Bartley seconded the motion, and all were unanimously in favor. No action taken during Executive Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, Council Member Bartley made the motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Upon second from Council Member Ridley and a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned.

