

**CITY OF ETON, GEORGIA
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 5, 2024**

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The Eton Council met March 5, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. with Mayor Cantrell presiding.

Council Members Present: Anthony Ridley, Traci Rankin, Zach Hall, and Joan Dooley
Staff Present: Kim Hall, City Clerk
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 February 6, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes as submitted in writing by the Clerk. Council Member Hall seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

OLD BUSINESS

Cell Towers.....

Tabled until April 2, 2024, Meeting.

Property Taxes - Due date.....

Council Member Dooley made the motion to change the due date on Eton property taxes from December 20th each year until the following February 20th each year. Council Member Hall seconded the motion, and the vote was unanimous in favor.

NEW 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: 47 calls, 68 citations, 71 warnings, 5 arrests with 0 being drug related, 0 DUIs, 4514 miles patrolled, and \$12,011.94 fines assessed. The auction for the 2013 Dodge Charger ends on Friday, March 8th. The current bid is \$3750. Chief Pasley is researching lease programs for police vehicles. Thus far, he has only found lease to own programs. The radar permit for North Highway 411 to the city limits was approved. GDOT will move the radar signs.

Street Report.....

Street report given by Director Kirby. Mr. Kirby will visit the local GDOT office tomorrow to inquire about the repair of the pothole on the Highway 411 bridge. Council Member Rankin reported the rocks at the 1st Avenue railroad crossing are settling and there is a big dip in the road. Mr. Kirby will place additional rocks at the location.

MAYOR’S REPORT

This week, Eton will issue an official statement regarding the closing of the Fresh n Low store on April 2nd. If approved by the voters in November, Eton will receive 2% of the Murray County TSPLOST funding. Mike Grant has Eton on his schedule for the repair of storm drains in Ridgecrest Subdivision. A meeting is scheduled with Steve Richards, Mayor Cantrell, Seth Kirby, and Matt Sanford to discuss the repair to the drainage ditch on the Eton Elementary School property. The electronic sign is installed, and the software should be installed on the Clerk’s computer this week. Supplies and landscaping materials are ordered for the Eton sign on Hwy. 411. Mayor Cantrell will meet with Warren Elliott on March 12th regarding the Chestnut Ridge housing development. Mayor Cantrell will meet with the N.W.G.R. staff on March 18th regarding the infrastructure grant. Many are asking about the installation of flags at the new Eton sign. Mayor Cantrell stated lights will be installed first. The new Dominos building will be constructed when funds are available. Paving projects in Eton are planned in advance and then approved by the GDOT before LMIG funding is released to Eton. As of 2024, the list includes Strickland Drive, 1st Avenue, and Highway 411 sidewalks. Sheila Peabody is organizing the “Eton Cruise In” events on the second Saturday of each month beginning in April. The City of Eton is not involved in these events financially or otherwise.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

None

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

None

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, Council Member Dooley made the motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Upon second from Council Member Rankin and a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned.

