

**MINUTES OF CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MADISON, FLORIDA
JULY 11, 2017**

The City Commission met in a regular meeting at 5:30 p.m. in City Hall. Mayor/Commissioner Rayne Cooks (District 1), Commissioner Ina Thompson (District 2), Commissioner Jim Catron (District 3), Commissioner James E. Stanley, Jr. (District 4), and Commissioner Judy Townsend (District 5) were present.

City staff present were: Tim Bennett-City Manager, Lee Anne Hall-City Clerk, Clay Schnitker-City Attorney, Bruce Jordan-Fire Chief, and Efrem Edwards-Police Captain.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

The following persons addressed the Commission during Citizen's Participation: James Glaser, Wanda Violet, and David Lawton.

Mr. Glaser and Ms. Violet discussed a mix up that occurred concerning their reservation to have their event, "*Madison's 4th Annual Tellebration*", banner hung across Range Avenue.

Mr. Lawton discussed the upkeep of city grounds, the lack of lighting after hours, and the process the city used to deliver a notice of code violation to him.

Commissioner Townsend moved to adopt the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Catron and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Townsend moved to adopt the consent agenda: (a) Minutes of June 13, 2017, (b) Fire/Rescue Department Report, (c) Police Department Report, (d) Reject Current Bids and Re-Bid for Installation of Vortex Separators in Lake Francis, (e) Appointment to the North Central Florida Regional Planning Council, and (f) Appointment to the Madison County Tourist Development Council. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Catron and passed 5-0.

Robin Riley, Vice President for Employee Benefits, Brown & Brown, Public Risk Insurance Agency presented healthcare options for fiscal year 2017/2018. She advised that she would check in to using the City's 2015/2016 surplus of \$23,473.00 to reduce the rate the city would pay for fiscal year 2017/2018.

Commissioner Catron moved to approve the city's current healthcare plan, United Healthcare/Benecon Choice Plus OFA w/RX-40 (Base), for fiscal year 2017/2018. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stanley and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Catron moved to approve Guardian Insurance Company for the city's dental and vision plan for fiscal year 2017/2018. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Townsend and passed 5-0.

City Manager Bennett and County Coordinator Brian Kauffman briefed the commission concerning possible transportation improvements in the city's northwest quadrant.

County Coordinator Kauffman discussed two parcels the City purchased through a grant from Suwannee River Water Management District approximately eight years ago to implement flood hazard mitigation in the West Farm Low area. He advised that both parcels currently have abandoned structures and the

county would like to take the lead to remove the two structures with funding from the Suwannee River Water Management Grant. Commissioner Catron moved to approve the county taking the lead on the demolishing of the two structures. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stanley and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Townsend moved to tentatively set the fiscal year 2017/2018 Millage Rate at 7 mils. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Thompson and passed 5-0.

Commissioner Catron moved to schedule the first public hearing for fiscal year 2017/2018 budget on September 12, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stanley and passed 5-0.

City Manager Bennett gave an update on Code Enforcement.

Commissioner Catron moved to accept the Financial Report; seconded by Commissioner Stanley. Motion passed 5-0.

Commissioner Stanley moved to adjourn; seconded by Commissioner Catron. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

ATTEST:

Rayne J. Cooks, Mayor/Commissioner

Lee Anne Hall, City Clerk