TOWN OF COHUTTA
COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 3, 2017

Present: Ron Shinnick, Mayor

Councilmen, Shelia Rose, Sandy Clayborne, Shane Kornberg, Greg Fowler

Todd Johnson, Town Atorney

Donna Henderson-Maples, Clerk

Shelia moved to approve minutes of the November meeting, Sandy seconded and motion passed.

Budget for Fiscal Year 2017

Administration: $92,000

Buildings and Grounds: $87,000

Courts: $21,000

Public Safety: $80,000

Waste Mgt.: $5,000

Total: $285,000

Shelia moved to approve the proposed budget for 2017, Sandy seconded and motion passed.

Shelia made a motion to adjourn, Shane seconded and motion passed.

Next meeting will be February 7, 2017

Ron Shinnick, Mayor

Donna Henderson-Maples, Town Clerk

TOWN OF COHUTTA
COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 7, 2017

PRESENT: Ron Shinnick, Mayor

Councilmen, Shelia Rose, Sandy Clayborne, Shane Kornberg, Greg Fowler

Donna Henderson-Maples, Clerk

Visitors: Lynn Laughter, County Commissioner

Shelia made a motion to approve the minutes of the January meeting, Shane seconded and motion passed.

It was decided before moving forward with weather siren project to inquire about cost and maintenance of the siren,and to visit other towns in the area that have same or similar systems that are being considered for Cohutta.

Shelia made a motion to adjourn, Sandy seconded and motion passed.

Next meeting will be March 7th, 2017

Ron Shinnick, Mayor

Donna Henderson-Maples, Town Clerk

TOWN OF COHUTTA
Council Meeting
March 7, 2017

Present: Ron Shinnick, Mayor
Councilmen, Sandy Clayborne, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler,and Shane Kornberg
Todd Johnson, Town Attorney
Donna Henderson-Maples, Clerk

Meeting was opened with Todd leading the Pledge

Shane made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 7th meeting, Sandy seconded and motion passed.

Shane moved to approve February financial report, Sandy seconded and motion passed.

Greg moved to accept the bid from Sirens-For-Cities, Inc. on the weather siren, Shane seconded and motion passed.

Sandy moved to adjourn, Shane seconded and motion passed.

Next meeting April 4th

Ron Shinnick, Mayor

Donna Henderson-Maples, Clerk

TOWN OF COHUTTA
Council Meeting
April 11, 2017

Present: Ron Shinnick, Mayor
Councilmen: Sandy Clayborne, Shelia Rose, Shane Kornberg, Greg Fowler
Todd Johnson, Town Attorney
Donna Henderson-Maples, Clerk

Visitors: Jessica Foskey, Jim Garner

Shelia moved to approve minutes of the March 7, 2017 minutes, Shane seconded and motion passed.

Sandy made a motion to allocate the $1,500 from the Recreation committee for the community garden project, Shelia seconded and motion passed.

Greg moved to adjourn, Shane seconded.

Next meeting May 2, 2017

Ron Shinnick, Mayor

Donna Henderson-Maples

TOWN OF COHUTTA
Council Meeting
May 9,2017
7:00P.M.

Present: Ron Shinnick, Mayor
Councilmen: Sandy Clayborne, Shelia rose, Shane Kornberg, Greg Fowler
Todd Johnson, Town Attorney
Donna Henderson-Maples, Clerk

Visitors: Marcus Morris, Christy Bryant, Neal Foskey, Ivy Fosky, Ryan Fowler

Shane made a motion to approve Minutes of April 11 meeting, Shelia seconded and motion passed.

Greg moved to approve the purchase of chairs for the Pleasant Valley Church from the previous occupants of the building, The Church of God, Plesant Valley Missions, at a cost of $2,000 , Shane seconded and motion passed.

Meeting moved to executive session to discuss personnel and a dispute with a vendor.

May 10, 2017

Executive Session ended and moved to regular council meeting for adjournment.

Ron Shinnick, Mayor

Donna Henderson-Maples,Clerk

TOWN OF COHUTTA

Council Meeting
June 6, 2017

Present: Ron Shinnick, Mayor
Councilmen: Shelia Rose, Shane Kornberg, Greg Fowler
Todd Johnson, Town Attorney
Donna Henderson-Maples, Clerk

Visitors: Jamie Nance, Jim Garner, Tim Lawson, Christy Bryant, Juanita Vergara, Roberto Vergara, Jose Sierra, Bill Morgan

Excused: Councilmen, Sandy Clayborne

Shane moved to approve the minutes of the May 9th and 10th meeting, Shelia seconded and motion passed.

Shelia made a motion to approve financial report for May, Shane seconded and motion passed.

When the floor was opened for public comment, Roberto Vergara asked if the Town could be of assistance in the flooding issue he was having at his home. Tim Lawson, Mr. Vergara's next door neighbor stated it had flooded the house as long as he had lived there. As this is private property, and the flooding is caused by nature, he was informed the Town could do nothing to resolve the problem, other than to recommend he and his neighbors trench their property and divert the flow away from his home.

Greg made a motion for the meeting to go to executive session to discuss the sale of Town property, Shane seconded, motion passed.

Shane moved to end executive session and resume regular meeting, Shelia seconded and motion passed.

Shelia moved to adjourn, Shane seconded.

Next meeting August 1, 2017

Ron Shinnick, Mayor

No Cohutta Town Council Meeting was held for the month of July 2017

TOWN OF COHUTTA
Council Meeting
1 August 2017
Cohutta Community Building
7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor: Ron Shinnick
Members of the Council: Shane Kornberg, Sheila Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne
Town Attorney: Todd Johnson

Meeting was opened at 7:10 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Marcus Morris.

The Mayor asked for a motion to dispense with the reading of the June minutes. Shane Kornberg moved to dispense with the reading of the June minutes, Greg Fowler seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

Shana Martin from the Accounting firm Estes & Walcott provided a report to the Mayor and Council of their firms findings of the Town's 2015 and 2016 audits. These will be made available as public record. *The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the Audit report. Sheila Rose moved to accept the report of the 2015 and 2016 audits, Shane Kornberg seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Sheila Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.*

Jamie Nance, Cohutta Court Clerk reported to the Mayor and Council that the Court was running much smoother. Money was being collected and checks were being paid in a timely manner to the various entities.

The Mayor presented to the Council income the town received during the month of July and invoices to be paid. *The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the financial review. Greg Fowler moved to accept the financial review for July, Sandy Clayborne seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.*

At this point of the meeting the Mayor gave updates on Town Projects and other news items.

- Sewer- Still waiting on the final approval for a grant from the ARC
- Weather Siren- Completed and actively working
- WEX Gas cards- Reimbursement of 2% on purchases
- Community Garden- No report due the absence of Jim Garner from the meeting
- Rescheduled 4th of July Celebration- This Saturday, Aug 5th
- USDA Natural Resources- To fly over the county on Oct 10 dropping rabies pellets

The Mayor presented to the Council the request for annexation into the Town of Cohutta from Greg and Patty Hasty who reside at 4976 Standifer Road. *The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the request for annexation. Greg Fowler moved to accept the request for annexation, Shane Kornberg seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Greg Fowler, Shelia Rose and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.*

The meeting was opened to the floor for public comments.

As a matter of information the Mayor reported on the Qualifying Dates for the Town of Cohutta Election to be held Tuesday, November 7, 2017. Qualifying will be held on August 21 through 23 from 9 to 4 at the Clerk's Office. The office of Mayor and two council seats are open for the election.

The Mayor asked for a motion to dismiss into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Greg Fowler moved to dismiss to Executive Session to discuss personnel matters, Shane Kornberg seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Greg Fowler, Shelia Rose and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. and reconvened at 9:05 p.m.

The Mayor stated that Donna Henderson is no longer employed as Town Clerk.
The Mayor asked for a motion to appoint Pam Shinnick as the Town Clerk. Shane Kornberg moved to appoint Pam Shinnick as the Town Clerk, Greg Fowler seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Greg Fowler, Shelia Rose and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

The Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting. Greg Fowler moved to adjourn the Council Meeting, Shane Kornberg seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Greg Fowler, Shelia Rose and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Ron Shinnick, Mayor

Pam Shinnick, Town Clerk

TOWN OF COHUTTA
Council Meeting
5 September 2017

Present Mayor: Ron Shinnick
Members of the Council: Shane Kornberg, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne
Town Attorney: Todd Johnson

Meeting was opened at 7:10 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance led by the Mayor.

The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the June 2017 meeting. Shane Kornberg moved to accept the minutes of the June 2017 meeting. Sandy Clayborne seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the August 2017 minutes,. Shane Kornberg moved to accept the minutes of the August 2017 minutes. Greg Fowler seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

The Mayor presented to the Council the Review of Finances for the Town for the month of August. *The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the Review of Finances for the Town for the month of August. Greg Fowler moved to accept the Review of Finances for the Town for the month of August. Shane Kornberg seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.*

The Mayor reported of the great success of the rescheduled July 4th Celebration. The Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting their annual Cohutta Street Dance on September 30. He encouraged all who can to attend.

The Mayor reported of the approval of the ARC grant for the Sewer Project that was received on August 24. The Mayor and members of the Council who are able will be attending a planning meeting for the project in Rome, GA on September 14. That same evening there will be a community meeting to present the project and also to report on the weather siren since its implementation.

The Mayor asked for a motion to transfer the Volunteer Fire Department Account into the General Account of the Town. Greg Fowler moved to transfer the Volunteer Fire Department Account into the General Account of the Town. Shelia Rose seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

The Mayor reported of the compliance of the Town with the "23 CFR Part 200 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. The Town has signed an nondiscriminatory agreement.

The Mayor asked for a motion to adopt the amendment of Cohutta Code as contained in the Code of Ordinances, composed of 13 Chapters with the Chapters as follows:

1. *Cohutta Animal Control Ordinance*
2. *Cohutta Alcoholic Beverages Ordinance*
3. *Cohutta Fine and Fee Ordinance*
4. *Cohutta Nuisance Ordinance*
5. *Cohutta Planning and Land Use Ordinance*
6. *Cohutta Speed Limit Ordinance*
7. *Cohutta Subdivision Ordinance*
8. *Cohutta Zoning Standards & Procedures Ordinance*
9. *Cohutta Vacant and Foreclosed Property Registry Ordinance*
10. *Cohutta Sign Ordinance*
11. *Mt. Olivet Cemetery Ordinance*
12. *Cohutta Property Maintenance Ordinance*
13. *Cohutta Franchise Ordinance*

with this being the First Reading and a public hearing to be held next month. Sandy Clayborne moved to readopt the Codes as contained in the Code of Ordinances with this being the First Reading and a public hearing to be held next month. Greg Fowler seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

The Mayor presented to the Council updates and other news items.

- WEX gas cards
- Election to be held on November 7
- Oral Raccoon Rabies Vaccination to start October 10
- Monthly Test of Weather Siren to be held September 6 at noon

Shelia Rose, a member of the Council reported on a conference about the Zika virus that she attended and the importance of removing all standing water on one's property.

The Mayor asked for a motion to adopt the Golf Cart Ordinance with this being the First Reading and a public hearing to be held next month and to incorporate it into the Code of Ordinances for the Town. Shelia Rose moved to adopt the Golf Cart Ordinance with this being the First Reading and a public hearing to be held next month and to incorporate it into the Code of Ordinances for the Town. Sandy Clayborne seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

The meeting was opened to the floor for public comments.

Being no further business the Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting. Shane Kornberg moved to adjourn the Council Meeting. Sandy Clayborne seconded the motion. Shane Kornberg, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne all voted in the affirmative. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Ron Shinnick, Mayor

Pam Shinnick, Town Clerk

IN THE TOWN OF COHUTTA
STATE OF GEORGIA

3 October 2017

PUBLIC HEARING ON THE REVISED COHUTTA CODE MINUTES

In Attendance:

Ron Shinnick
Shelia Rose
Larry Coker
Todd Johnson
Sandy Clayborne

A number of citizens and interested parties were in attendance.

At 7:15 P.M. the hearing was opened pursuant to its advertised time and date. The revised code had been emailed to interested parties, and upon opening the public hearing for adoption of the zoning changes and other provisions of the revised code, no person had additional questions or comments. After a brief explanation of the primary changes was made, with no other questions or comments, the hearing was adjourned.

This 3rd day of October, 2017.

Todd M. Johnson
Public Hearing Clerk

TOWN OF COHUTTA
Council Meeting
24 October 2017

Present Mayor: Ron Shinnick
Members of the Council: Shane Kornberg, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne
Town Attorney: Todd Johnson

Meeting was opened at 7:04 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Jeff Brock.

The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the September 5, 2017 meeting. Shane Kornberg moved to accept the minutes of the September 5, 2017 meeting. Greg Fowler seconded the motion. All members of the Council voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

The Mayor presented to the Council the Review of Finances for the Town of Cohutta for the month of September. *The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the Review of Finances for the Town for the month of September. Greg Fowler moved to accept the Review of Finances for the Town of Cohutta for the month of September. Sandy Clayborne seconded the motion. All members of the Council voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.*

The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the annexation request of Greg and Patty Hasty with this being the second reading. Sandy Clayborne moved to accept the annexation request of Greg and Patty Hasty with this being the second reading. Shelia Rose seconded the motion. All members of the Council voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

The Mayor reported to the Council on the Variance Request by Glenn and Marty Coon. It was recommended to the Council by the Zoning Committee to proceed with the request if a licensed electrician inspected the work and the variance would only be for six months. The Mayor asked for a motion to proceed with the request if a licensed electrician inspected the work and the variance would only be for six months. There was no motion made and the variance request was put on hold.

The Mayor presented to the Council the 2018 Budget. Greg Fowler suggested that there be work meetings held so the budget could be in greater detail *The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the 2018 Budget with this being the first reading and a work meeting to be held November 21, 2017. Shane Kornberg moved to accept the 2018 with this being the first reading and a work meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 21, 2018. Sheila Rose seconded the motion. All members of the Council voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.*

The Mayor presented to the Council the Seconding Reading and Adoption of the amended Cohutta Code. Based upon discussion the *Mayor asked for a motion to accept the Second*

Reading and Adoption of the amended Cohutta Code as written, conditional upon the speed limits staying as they are included in Chapter 13 for golf carts. Shane Kornberg moved to accept the Second Reading and Adoption of Cohutta Codes as written, conditional upon the speed limits staying as they are included in Chapter 13 for golf carts. Greg Fowler seconded the motion. All members of the Council voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

Project updates presented to the Council.

Mayor- Probation Agreement signed
Ethan Calhoun - Comprehensive Plan
Greg Fowler- Status of Surplus Equipment
Bill Morgan- Memorial Park

Work Meeting on the 2018 Budget to be held on November 21, 2017 at 6 pm.

Being no further business the Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting. Sandy Clayborne moved to adjourn the Council Meeting. Shelia Rose seconded the motion. All members of the Council voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Ron Shinnick- Mayor

Pam Shinnick- Town Clerk

No Cohutta Town
Council Meeting
was held for the month
of November 2017

TOWN OF COHUTTA
Council Meeting
5 December 2017

Present Mayor: Ron Shinnick
Members of the Council: Shane Kornberg, Shelia Rose, Greg Fowler and Sandy Clayborne
Town Attorney: Todd Johnson

Meeting was opened at 7:10 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance led by Ed Painter.

The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the minutes of the October 24, 2017 meeting. Shelia Rose moved to accept the minutes of the October 24, 2017 meeting. Shane Kornberg seconded the motion. All members of the Council voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.

The Mayor presented to the Council the Review of Finances for the Town of Cohutta for the month of November. *The Mayor asked for a motion to accept the Review of Finances for the Town for the month of November. Shane Kornberg moved to accept the Review of Finances for the Town of Cohutta for the month of November. Shelia Rose seconded the motion. All members of the Council voted in the affirmative with the exception of Shelia Rose who voted in the negative. Motion passed.*

The Mayor asked for a motion to appoint Pam Shinnick as the CFO-Secretary of the Cohutta Volunteer Fire Department Corporation as the previous Town Clerk had held that position. Greg Fowler moved to appoint Pam Shinnick as the CFO-Secretary of the Cohutta Volunteer Fire Department. Shane Kornberg seconded the motion. All members of the Council voted in the affirmative. Motion passed. Request was made that in the minutes it is included that the Council is to be provided at the next meeting an update on the finances of the Cohutta Volunteer Fire Department and the status of the dissolution of the corporation.

The Mayor reported to the Council the Annexation Requests of Richard Cavender, Jerry Baldridge, Kendra Sexton and Robert J. Chase, Jr. *The Mayor asked for a motion to accept these requests. Shane Kornberg moved to accept the Annexation Requests of Richard Cavender, Jerry Baldridge, Kendra Sexton and Robert J. Chase, Jr. Sandy Clayborne seconded the motion. All members of the Council voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.*

The Mayor presented to the Council a coding change. *The Mayor asked for a motion to cease serving liquor at 9:00 p.m. This is to be in effect seven days a week. Greg Fowler moved to cease serving liquor at 9:00 p.m. Shane Kornberg seconded the motion. All members of the Council voted in the affirmative. Motion passed.*

Being no further business the Mayor asked for a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting. The vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Ron Shinnick- Mayor

Pam Shinnick- Town Clerk