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**CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA**  
**MAYOR AND CITY COUNCILMEMBERS**

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar**  
**Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges**  
**Councilwoman Hang Tran**  
**Councilman Larry Ferguson**  
**Councilman Christopher Mills**

**Regular Meeting**

**July 12, 2016**

**Minutes**

**7:30 pm**

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**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called the Regular Council Meeting of the Morrow City Council to order at 7:30pm on July 12, 2016. The meeting took place in the Council Chambers of the Morrow Municipal Complex located at: 1500 Morrow Road, Morrow, GA, 30260.

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silent reflection.

**ROLL CALL:**

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** asked **Interim City Clerk Yasmin Julio** to call the roll.

**Interim City Clerk Yasmin Julio** called the roll and those present were **Mayor Jeffrey DeTar, Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges, Councilman Christopher Mills, Councilman Larry Ferguson, and Councilwoman Hang Tran**. She stated there was a quorum present.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called for a motion to approve the consent agenda.

1. Approval of June 28, 2016, Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Approval of June 28, 2016, Work Session Minutes
3. Approval of June 28, 2016, Executive Session Minutes
4. Approval of July 5, 2016, Budget Meeting Minutes
5. Approval of Attorney Invoice - Fincher Denmark & Minnifield invoice # 3058 dated June 10, 2016 in the amount of \$8,031.91 for period May 1, 2016- May 31, 2016

**MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson** made the motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by **Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges**. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.



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## **MEETING AGENDA:**

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called for a motion to approve July 12, 2016 Meeting Agenda.

**MOTION AND VOTE: Councilwoman Hang Tran** made the motion to approve the meeting agenda with the following amendments; adding 7) New Business item 1. Instruct City Manager to continue E911 merge with county and 5) Executive Session to discuss personnel and legal matters, seconded by **Councilman Larry Ferguson**. The motion passed, 3-1 with **Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges** opposing .

## **AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS:**

1. Officer Preston Snowden – Departmental Commendation
2. Sgt. Richard Beard – Departmental Commendation & Police Star
3. Officer Michael Madron – Departmental Commendation & Police Star
4. Officer Preston Snowden – Police Star
5. Sgt. Brad Smith – Departmental Commendation

*(Presented by Major Greg Tatroe)*

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called for a motion to recess the **July 12, 2016 Regular Meeting** and convene into **Executive Session** to discuss personnel matters.

**MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson** made the motion, seconded by **Councilwoman Hang Tran**. The motion passing 3-1, **Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges** opposed.

The Executive Session began at 7:55pm

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called for a motion to reconvene the **July 12, 2016 Regular Meeting** and adjourn the **Executive Session**.

**MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson** made a motion, seconded by **Councilman Christopher Mills** the motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

The Executive Session ended at 8:48pm.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS:**

There were no public comments on agenda items.

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**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Second Reading of Ordinance 2016-05 FY-17 City Budget

An ordinance entitled ordinance to amend the code of ordinances of the City of Morrow, Georgia, as it pertains to the recommendation, approval and adoption of an annual budget for the Fiscal Year 2016-2017, beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017 to allocate revenues and expenditures for that period for the operation and enhancement of the various services delivered by the city to its citizens; for the health and well-being of the residents and businesses of the City of Morrow; and for other purposes.

**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called for a motion to approve this item.

**MOTION AND VOTE: Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges** made the motion to approve the various operating fund budgets with the General Fund adjusted budget amount of \$8,815,613, as set forth in the proposed draft budget as of June 17, 2016, with the following modifications;

- (1) Increasing the Confiscated Assets budget by \$50,000.
- (2) Revenue enhancements of increasing the sanitation fund service charges to cover overhead and establishing a street light fee.
- (3) Appropriation adjustments for reorganizing and reducing the sworn Police force by two officers, staffing two Fire Department vacant positions with part time employees and freezing two positions, merging E-911 services with the County by October 30, 2016 (including the cost of service), and
- (4) Removing \$20,000 from the Public Works budget for monument signs.

seconded by **Councilman Christopher Mills**. **Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges** and **Councilman Christopher Mills** in favor of. **Councilman Larry Ferguson** and **Councilwoman Hang Tran** opposed. **Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** voted to break the tie, **Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** voted in favor of . The motion passed 3-2.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Instruct City Manager Sylvia Redic to continue the E911 merge with County

**MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson** made the motion, seconded by **Councilwoman Hang Tran**. The motion passed unanimously, 4-0.

**GENERAL COMMENTS:**

**Citizen Comments:**  
**Warren Gregory**

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**Vickie Jennings  
Randy Anderson  
Cartrice Myers  
Dorothy Dean**

**Staff Comments:**

**City Manager Sylvia Redic**

**Council members Comments:**

**Councilwoman Hang Tran  
Councilman Christopher Mills  
Councilman Larry Ferguson  
Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges  
Mayor Jeffrey DeTar**

**ADJOURNMENT:**

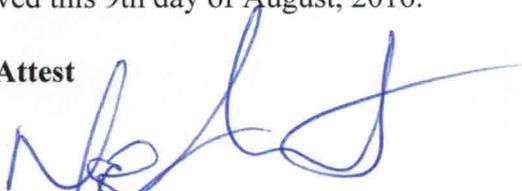
**Mayor Jeffrey DeTar** called for a motion to adjourn the July 12, 2016 Regular Council Meeting.

**MOTION AND VOTE: Councilman Larry Ferguson** made a motion, seconded by **Mayor Pro Tem Jeanell Bridges**. The motion passed unanimously.

The Regular Council Meeting was adjourned at 9:22pm.

Approved this 9th day of August, 2016.

**Attest**

  
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**Yasmin Julio, Interim City Clerk**

**CITY OF MORROW, GEORGIA**

  
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**Jeffrey A. DeTar, Mayor**

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