

City of Blue Ridge Downtown Parking Minutes March 1, 2022

5:00 p.m.

Blue Ridge City Hall 480 West First Street Blue Ridge, Ga 30513

1. Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Rhonda Haight called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Present were Mayor Rhonda Haight, Council Members Angie Arp, Jack Taylor, Christy Kay Bill Bivins, and William Whaley (via phone), City Administrator Eric Soroka, and City Clerk Amy Mintz.

Prayer and Pledge of AllegianceLed by Police Chief Johnny Scearce.

3. Public Input

Mayor Rhonda Haight stated the City Council is considering having an ordinance that would limit the parking downtown to three hours and opened the floor up for public input.

- Limited to two minutes each person for a thirty (30) minute period. Audience members Michael Marchbanks, Ann Wheeler, Candace Youngberg, Drew Dillard, Margret Middleton, Jennifer Sullivan, Bill Oyster, Cathy Benson, Niki Kaylor, Jane Whaley, County Commissioner Jamie Hensley, Police Chief Johnny Scearce, Henry Fehrmann, and Susan Catron voiced their concerns on the parking in the downtown area.

Council Member William Whaley arrived at 5:45 pm.

4. City Council Discussion

The City Council Members offered their input on the downtown parking issue.

5. City Council consensus to direct City Administration to Implement Policy

It was the consensus of the City Council to direct the City Administration to draft ordinance to implement three (3) hour parking limit.

6. Adjournment

Mayor Rhonda Haight adjourned the meeting at 6:19 pm.

Mayor, Rhonda Haight

City Clerk, Amy Mintz

Approved

