Gillsville City Council Meeting Frankum Building January 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 Called to Order-7:01pm

In attendance Mayor Wade Dale, Council Members: Todd Dale, Ricky Sutton, and Jeff Perry. Town Clerk, Rachel Canada, Finance Clerk, Misty Perry, and Citizens.

**Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:** Keith Segars gave the invocation and Mayor Dale led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Dale welcomed the citizens in attendance.

Mayor Dale honored the late former Town Clerk Sandra Helton, and presented her with a Certificate, and gift.

## **Citizen Comments**

**November 2023 Minutes**- Jeff Perry made a motion to accept the December 2023 Minutes. Keith Segars seconded. All Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

**Swearing in of Officers-** The swearing in of incumbent officers Keith Segars, Ricky Sutton, and Todd Dale was done by Town Clerk Rachel Canada.

**Fire Safety**- The Fire Safety of the Town Building was discussed and an estimate from Peach State Fire, Inc. was discussed and approved. The estimate was for the purchase and install of 6 fire extinguishers to be installed and maintained for 3 of the Towns buildings in the downtown area. The amount of the estimate was \$998.24. Keith Segars made a motion to approve, Ricky Sutton seconded. All Council members present voted in favor.

**Bid for City Park Building for Further Renovation-** Bids have been requested for three different contractors for the further renovation of the City Park Building, and only one contractor, Nick Eldridge, submitted a sealed bid to the Town Hall. The bid was opened and contained a bid for ceiling drywall replacement, replacing lights, and wire as necessary, paint new ceiling, bathrooms, indoor and outdoors, install two new windows in kitchen, replace steel door in rear of building, add needed insulation, and dumpster and clean-up. The estimate was in the amount of \$11,200. Ricky Sutton made a motion to go with the estimate, Keith Segars seconded. All Council members present voted in favor.

**Leaks in Town Buildings**- The leaky roofs of the Town Hall were discussed, and it was agreed that it is urgent. It was agreed that the Council will collect estimates and hold a special meeting to discuss this.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Frankum Building Rental Agreement-** A new rental agreement for the Frankum Building was reviewed and feedback was given.

**Lighting for Frankum Building-** The Lighting Committee was not present and has made no progress. If the lighting committee does not show progress by the next meeting, it is agreed to dissolve the committee by the next meeting.

\*Brain LeBrie, of Ray, Ellis & LaBrie Consulting, LLC who were hired as outside consultants for the renovations of the Frankum Building, was here on Dec 12<sup>th</sup> to review the progress on the Frankum Building. According to Mr. LaBrie everything has met the standards that they have asked for. He is coming back after all the Christmas décor is down to take pictures to submit to the State of GA for the Best Restoration Project in the State of Georgia. This award is given out in November every year. He stated that we would definitely be in the running for it because of what was done to the building.

Joseph Canada – New Website for the Town of Gillsville: Joseph Canada discussed details about new website and emails. Headshots for the Council and Twon employees were taken for the new website.

**Adjourn:** Kody Rylee made a motion to adjourn at 8:09 pm. Jeff Perry seconded, and all Council members present voted in favor. Motion passed.

Rachel Canada, Town Cle	rk		
Wade Dale, Mayor			
Council Members,			