

**CITY OF TIFTON  
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING  
JULY 7, 2016  
2:00 PM  
TIFTON CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

**Attendees**

Mayor Julie Smith

Vice Mayor Wes Ehlers

Council Member Jack Folk – via phone

Council Member Johnny Terrell

Council Member Frank Sayles – via phone

Larry Riner, City Manager

Jessica Jones, City Clerk

Rob Wilmot, City Attorney

Mayor Julie Smith called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

**Approval of the Agenda**

Council Member Wes Ehlers made the first motion for approval of the agenda, seconded by Terrell and unanimously carried.

**Executive Session to Discuss Personnel**

Council Member Jack Folk made the first motion to go into executive session, seconded by Terrell, and unanimously carried by Smith, Ehlers and Sayles. Meeting closed to executive session

Council Member Jack Folk made the first motion to close the executive session and re-open the regular session. Seconded by Ehlers, and unanimously carried. Meeting opened back to regular session.

**Resolution for Executive Session**

Council Member Frank Sayles made the first motion to accept the resolution, seconded by Ehlers, and unanimously carried.

**Adding Items to the Agenda**

Council Member Frank Sayles made the first motion to add the following items to the agenda: Acceptance of the Resignation and Release from Larry Riner, City Manager and Appointment of Jessica Jones as Acting City Manager. Motion seconded by Folk, and unanimously carried.

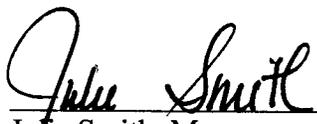
**Acceptance of the Resignation and Release from Larry Riner, City Manager**

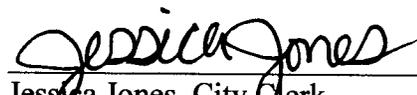
Mayor Smith mentioned the resignation submitted by Mr. Riner will be effective as of 5:00 PM on Friday, July 8, 2016. Mayor Smith mentioned Mr. Riner has already signed the resignation and release, and called for a motion of approval. Council Member Jack Folk made the first motion of acceptance, seconded by Terrell, and motion unanimously carried.

**Appointment of Jessica Jones as Acting City Manager**

Vice Mayor Wes Ehlers made the first motion to appoint Ms. Jessica Jones as Acting City Manager, seconded by Terrell, and motion unanimously carried.

There being no further business to discuss, meeting adjourned.

  
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Julie Smith, Mayor

  
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Jessica Jones, City Clerk

**AT A MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TIFTON  
HELD ON July 7, 2016  
A MOTION TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Council member Jaek Folk makes the following motion:

1. That City Council now enters into executive session as allowed by O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-4 and pursuant to advice by the City Attorney, for the purpose of discussing the following:

(check all that apply)

- Legal Matters.
- Personnel Matters.
- Real Estate Matters.

That each member of this body, in open session, at the conclusion of such executive session, and consistent with the provisions of City of Tifton Resolution No. 99-66, either:

1. Execute the Affidavit, the form of which having been previously approved; or
2. Vote upon the Resolution, the form of which having been previously approved, to be followed by the execution of the above-referenced Affidavit by so many members of this Council that so desire,

all of which is in compliance with O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-4; thereby this body, by appropriate form of either Affidavit or Resolution/Affidavit, ratifying the actions of the Council taken in executive session and confirming that the subject matters of the closed session were within exceptions permitted by the Open Meetings law.

Council member Johnny Terrell seconds the motion.

**Motion Approved**

Those voting in favor of the motion for closure:

Council Members: Julie Smith, Wes Ehlers, Frank Sayles

Those voting against the motion for closure:

Council Members: None

- Legal Matters
- Personnel Matters
- Real Estate Matters

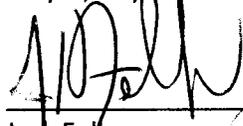
As allowed by O.C.G.A., Title 50, Chapter 14, was devoted to matters within those exceptions and as provided by law.

4. This affidavit is being executed for the purpose of complying with the mandate of O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-4(b) that such an affidavit be executed.
5. This affidavit is likewise executed by the following members of the City Council present at such executive session in support of open and honest government and in compliance with City of Tifton Resolution 99-66.

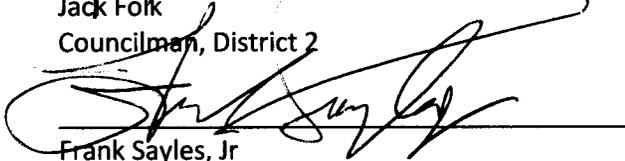
This 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016.

  
 Julie Smith  
 Mayor, City of Tifton

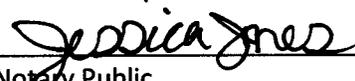
  
 Wes Ehlers  
 Councilman, District 1

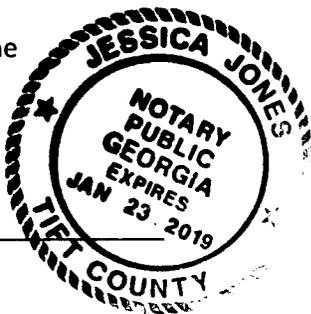
  
 Jack Folk  
 Councilman, District 2

  
 Johnny Terrell, Jr  
 Councilman, District 3

  
 Frank Sayles, Jr  
 Councilwoman, District 4

Sworn to and subscribed before me  
 By all City Council members  
 on this 7<sup>th</sup> day of  
JULY, 2016.

  
 Notary Public



**AFFIDAVIT**

Personally appeared before the undersigned attesting officer, duly authorized to administer oaths in the State of Georgia:

<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>	
<u>✓</u>	_____	Julie Smith
<u>✓</u>	_____	Wes Ehlers
<u>✓</u>	_____	Jack Folk
<u>✓</u>	_____	Johnny Terrell, Jr
<u>✓</u>	_____	Frank Sayles, Jr

Who, after being duly sworn, deposes and on oath states the following:

1. I am a member of the Tifton City Council and I was present at a meeting of the City Council held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016.

2. That it was my understanding that O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-4(b) provides as follows:

When any meeting of an agency is closed to the public pursuant to subsection (a) Of this Code section, the chairperson or other person presiding over such meeting shall execute and file with the official minutes of the meeting a notarized affidavit stating under oath that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the exceptions provided by law and identifying the specific relevant exception.

3. The subject matter of the closed meeting or closed portion of the meeting held on the 7<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016, which was closed for the purpose(s) of :