



**Regular Meeting of the Mayor and City Council  
City of Ball Ground, Georgia  
Ball Ground City Hall ~ 7:00 P.M.**

**AGENDA  
November 10, 2016**

**Item 1: Meeting Called to Order by Mayor Pro Tem Frank Homiller in the absence of Mayor Rick Roberts.**

**Council Members Present: Mickey O'Malley, Lee Prettyman and Andrenia Stoner  
Council Members Absent: John Byrd**

**Staff Present: Darrell Caudill, Michael Chapman, Donna England, Eric Wilmarth, Karen Jordan and Bryon Reeves**

**Item 2: Pledge of Allegiance**

**Item 3: Appearances - None**

**Item 4: Announcements/Informational Items/Project Updates – City Manager**

- December 2 – March of the Toys Parade
- January 14<sup>th</sup> – City Council Planning Retreat

**Item 5: Approval of October 13, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes**

**Council Member Prettyman put forth a motion, Seconded by Council Member O'Malley to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2016 City Council Meeting as submitted in writing by the City Clerk.  
Motion Unanimously Approved**

**Item 6: Old Business- None**

**Item 7: New Business**

**a) Consider Livable Centers Initiative (LCI) Application**

**A motion by Council Member Prettyman, Seconded by Council Member O'Malley to approve the submittal of the Livable Centers Initiative Application for grant funding of update Master Plan of our downtown area.  
Motion Unanimously Approved**

**b) Consider Adjustment to Water Rate Table**

**To encourage customers to conserve water City Manager Wilmarth recommended Council Members take action to increase water rates.**

**A motion by Council Member Stoner, Seconded by Council Member O'Malley to approve the following adjustment to the Water Rate Table:**

**5000 gallons, but less than 8000 gallons - \$5.15 per thousand gallons**

**8001 gallons, but less than 10,000 gallons - \$5.45 per thousand**

**10,000 gallons plus - \$8.00 per thousand**

**Motion Unanimously Approved**

**c) Consider Refinance of Sanitary Sewer System**

**City Manager Wilmarth stated staff had been working with Regions Bank to refinance the debt owed on the sewage system. If we are able to refinance through Regions the debt term would be reduced to 15 years from the existing**

28 years. The interest rate would be reduced from 4.25% to 2.8% saving the approximately \$405,912 over the 15 years. City Manager asked Council Members to consider authorizing the Executive Committee to move forward with the refinancing.

A motion by Council Member O'Malley, Seconded by Council Member Stoner to empower the Executive Committee to move forward with initiating the refinancing of the City of Ball Ground Sewage System.  
Motion Unanimously Approved

**Item 8: Staff Comments**

City Manager Eric Wilmarth

- Financial Report – City Manager Wilmarth presented an unaudited report of account balances, statement of revenue and expenditures for the month ended October 31,, 2016. The report showed cash on deposit totaled \$739,409.06.
- Chief Reeved presented a written report of the department's activity for the month ended October 31, 2016.

**Item 9: Mayor Roberts Comments**

**Item 10: City Council Comments**

**Item 11: Public Comments - None**

**Item 12: Executive Session if Needed**

**Item 13: Adjourn**

There being no further business for City Council consideration a motion was duly made and secded to adjourn at 7:50PM.

The minutes of this November 10, 2016 meeting of the City Council approved this 8<sup>th</sup> Day of December 2016..

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Mayor A. R. Roberts, III

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Mayor Pro Tem Frank Homiller

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Council Member John Byrd

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Council Member Mickey O'Malley

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Council Member Lee Prettyman

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Council Member Andrenia Stoner

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Karen L. Jordan, City Clerk