

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SKY VALLEY, GEORGIA
SEPTEMBER 26, 2017
TUESDAY AT 10:00 AM
CBC (OLD LODGE), 696 SKY VALLEY WAY**

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Approval of Minutes**
August 15, 2017
- 4. Adoption of Agenda**
- 5. Mayor's Remarks**
- 6. Council Remarks**
- 7. City Manager & Department Reports – Exceptions and Questions**

NEW BUSINESS

- 8. Consider Proclamation for Red Ribbon Week- October 23-31, 2017**
- 9. Consider Approval of Intergovernmental Contract Between Rabun County and City of Sky Valley Providing for Use of Rabun County Detention Center by Municipal Prisoners**
- 10. Ratify Quit Claim Deed to Clear Title on Barbara Bottner – Ridgepole Area, Part 2, Lot 178A, 0.04 acres**
- 11. Consider Appeal for Tree Application for Allen N. McLeroy 55 Appalachian Point**
- 12. Consider Appeal for Tree Application for Keith A. Graham 299 Winding Ridge Dr #315**
- 13. Discussion of the City's Financial Policy**

OTHER BUSINESS

- 14. Public Forum and General Comments**
- 15. Adjournment**

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, CITY OF SKY VALLEY, GEORGIA HELD ON AUGUST 15, 2017, TUESDAY AT 10:00 AM, CBC (OLD LODGE), 696 SKY VALLEY WAY

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Goodgame, Council President Lively, Councilors Durpo, Larsen, Lively, MacNair and Steil
STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Lapeyrouse, City Clerk Fast, Police Chief Estes and Officer Edwards

1. Call to Order

Mayor Goodgame called the meeting to order.

2. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

Cathy Turner gave the Invocation and Mayor Goodgame led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Approval of Minutes

Councilor Larsen made a motion to approve the July 25, 2017 minutes. Councilor Lively seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

4. Adoption of Agenda

Councilor Lively made a motion to adopt agenda with addition of two items 1) Kudzu committee report 2) Ratify Quitclaim Deed. Councilor Larsen seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

5. Mayor's Remarks

Mayor Goodgame provided the updates and welcomed everyone and thanked people for getting involved 1)New City Park walking path, Pickleball court 2) If you have a question ask me or the City Manager before contact outside agency which can cost the City unnecessary expense.

6. Council Remarks

Councilor MacNair stated it is pleasure & honor to serve.
Councilor Durpo thanked everyone for attending & contractor's list is coming together
Councilor Steil stated he loves the greenery in the area.
Councilor Lively thanked everyone for participating and their input.
Councilor Larsen thanked Tourism & Development Laura Gurley for representing Sky Valley - God Bless & Keep smiling.

7. City Manager & Department Reports - Exceptions and Questions

City Manager Lapeyrouse presented the monthly reports.

8. Kudzu Committee Update

Barbara Kobacker gave a report on the Kudzu Committee Meeting held on August 7, 2017.

NEW BUSINESS

9. Consider Resolution for the adoption of FY 2017 Millage Rate

Councilor Lively made a motion to approve Resolution for the adoption of the FY 2017 Millage Rate. Councilor MacNair seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

10. Consider Budget Amendment for FY 2017

Councilor Larsen made a motion to approve Budget Amendment for FY 2017. Councilor Steil seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

11. Sky Valley- Scaly Mountain Fire and Rescue Department, Incorporated

Councilor Larsen made a motion to approve Sky Valley- Scaly Mountain Fire and Rescue Department, Incorporated lease and ask attorney what the lowest possible amount to be paid could be. Councilor Lively seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

12. Park Restroom Estimates-

Councilor Lively made a motion to approve change order not to exceed \$15,000 Park Restrooms. Councilor Steil seconded the motion and Councilors Lively, Steil, Larsen, MacNair voting yes and Durpo voting no and motion passed.

13. Pedestrian Bridge

Councilor Lively made a motion to approve low bid totaling \$11,065 subject to contractor providing a detailed drawing for Council's approval. Councilor MacNair seconded the motion with Mayor Goodgame, Councilor Lively & Councilor MacNair voting yes and Councilors Larsen, Steil & Durpo voting no the motion did not pass.

14. Quit Claim Deed to Clear Title on 5J International Incorporated – South Woods, Part 4, Lot 93A

Councilor Larsen made a motion to approve Quit Claim Deed to Clear Title on 5J International Incorporated- South Woods, Part 4, Lot 93A. Councilor Durpo seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

15. Ratify approval Quit Claim Deed to Clear Title on David C. and Patricia A. Wacker – Northwood – Part 3, Lot 56A

Councilor Durpo made a motion to ratify previously approved Quit Claim Deed to Clear Title on David C. and Patricia A. Wacker- Northwood- Part 3, Lot 56A done by email vote. Councilor Steil seconded and passed unanimously.

OTHER BUSINESS

16. Public Forum and General Comments

Kristen Whately requested that a letter of condolence be sent to the family of Rogers & Marcia Wade on behalf of the City of Sky Valley.

17. Adjournment

Councilor MacNair made motion to adjourn. Councilor Steil seconded the motion and passed unanimously.

There being no further business to come before Mayor and Council, the meeting was adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Hughel Goodgame, Mayor

Ella Fast, City Clerk



CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

September, 2017

Announcements -

Public Hearing on 2018 City Budget

The public hearing for the proposed 2018 Budget is scheduled immediately following the Council meeting on October 24, 2017 at the Lodge. The proposed budget is based on a rollback of the millage rate to 16.110. The 2018 budget will be considered for adoption at the Regular Monthly Council Meeting on Tuesday, November 14, 2017 at 10 AM in the Lodge.

2017 General Election

The Mayor and three Councilmember terms expire in 2017. The one mayoral candidate and the three councilmember candidates receiving the most votes city-wide will be elected for a two-year term. The following candidates have qualified to run in the election.

Mayor

Robert MacNair
Ed Steil

Council Member

Debbie Dalhouse Curtis
Melanie M Durpo
Neil W. Howard
Milner Lively (incumbent)
Allen D. Piontkowski, Jr.
Paul Wheeler

All persons who are not registered to vote and who desire to register to vote in the General Election may register to vote through the close of business on October 10, 2017.

Advanced voting will begin October 16, 2017 and will be located at the Rabun County Elections Office, 19 Jo Dotson Circle, Clayton, GA 30525.

On Election Day, November 7, 2017, voting will be held at City Hall, 3444 Hwy 246, Sky Valley, GA 30537.

Sky Valley Fallfest

The Sky Valley Fallfest is scheduled for Saturday, October 21st from 10 AM to 4 PM. Visitors will be treated to hayrides to the waterfall throughout the day and live entertainment. Arts and crafts vendors will have their wares for sale and there will be plenty of food and fun for kids of all ages with pumpkin painting and inflatable games. There will be a HOWL-o-ween Dog Costume Contest beginning at 1:30 PM to benefit Rabun Paws 4 Life and antique/unique cars and trucks

on display until 3 PM. Finally, you will not want to miss the Hay Bale Trail, which features whimsically decorated hay bales scattered throughout the city. Parking shuttles will be available.

Hay Bale Displays

The tradition continues this fall with the decorated Hay Bales. Displays are going to be painted and decorated as a community-wide effort. We are also incorporating for the 1st time... University Row. Sign up to claim your team's hay bale. We will only have one hay bale for each team. The cost to participate is \$100. We will provide the round hay bale, small square bales, pumpkins and base color painting. The sponsoring group will be responsible for all additional props and painting. Groups can be Clubs, Churches, Realtors, Artists, Companies, Friends or Subdivisions. A People's Choice Award will be voted on by attendees at the Sky Valley Fallfest. Groups will have wide discretion in developing the design of the hay bale. We want this to be fun for the whole community. For those wanting to do a non-team related hay bale, a conceptual idea should be submitted to the City at which time a location will be best matched and assigned.

Website – www.skyvalleyga.com

Our website is full of a variety of information for visitors and citizens. We have a visitor's guide with information on the area, and we also have the business side including meeting minutes ordinances, forms, permitting requirements, event information, contact information, etc.. Last year we had over 34,000 unique visitors to the website. This year, we have had 22,895 unique visitors to the website, including 3,908 during the month of August.

E-Mail and Crisis Communication

The City's e-mail distribution list is used frequently to keep everyone informed during inclement weather and for current events. This is our best way of staying connected with the residents. We currently have 456 e-mails for City News and another 962 for Event and Tourism Information. We also utilize a phone system for relaying urgent information. If you are not on these lists, please contact City Hall or sign up through the City's website home page.

Facebook – www.facebook.com/skyvaleyga

The City's Facebook page has a total of 1,860 followers with 16 new followers added during the month of August. If you have not "liked" us on Facebook yet, please do and suggest our page to all of your Facebook friends. We share information, links, and many pictures on Facebook. We would love to have you share your favorite Sky Valley experiences and pictures on our page. We have started a "Picture of the Week" and will choose a picture sent to us to feature each week.

Visitor Center

Last year we had the opportunity to welcome 2,241 visitors to the City of Sky Valley through our operations at the visitor center. So far, this year, we have greeted 1,241 people, including 331 during the month of August. Our longest distance travelers last month came from London, England, Essex, England, France, Ohio, New Jersey, Idaho, Massachusetts and Connecticut.

Personal Transportation Vehicles (PTVs)

Registered PTVs through the City are the only legal golf carts that can be used on city streets outside of a designated cart lane. Please visit the city's website at www.skyvalleyga.com for required safety equipment, application and PTV regulations.

Short-term Rentals

Short Term Rentals - It is mandatory that every person engaging in short-term home rentals of 10 days or less register with the city clerk. If you have not done this yet, I urge you to contact City Hall immediately. Each rental within the City limits of Sky Valley is required to submit a monthly tax return by the 20th of the month for rentals during the previous month. An operator who fails to make timely returns will be assessed penalties and interest. Failure to register your vacation rental or collect the required tax may subject you to a fine of up to \$300 per offense. Every operator renting guest rooms in the city shall preserve, for a minimum of three years, all rental documentation. Such documents may be audited periodically by the City Clerk or an authorized representative.

Housing & Development & Code Enforcement

Grass, Weeds, Trees & Other Vegetation

Weeds or grass allowed to grow to a height greater than 12 inches on average, or any accumulation of dead weeds, grass, or brush, that may provide safe harborage for rats, mice, snakes and other vermin constitutes a public nuisance.

Trees, shrubs, bushes and other vegetation that obstructs the safe passage or line-of-sight of motorists or pedestrians at an intersection or driveway connection with a public street or along any street also constitutes a public nuisance.

The City receives complaints from time to time of these types of nuisances on private property. If we find that there is a public nuisance that exists in violation of our ordinances, our Code Enforcement Officer will write the property owner a letter advising them of the nuisance and giving them notice to abate the nuisance. If necessary, the City will file an action in the municipal court to abate the nuisance. Please understand that this process takes time.

Recreational Vehicles, Boats and Similar Vehicles

All motor homes, recreational vehicles, travel trailers, boats and similar items may be stored inside a residence, garage or carport of any home or business as long as the item is entirely enclosed, covered and out of site. Otherwise, such items may be parked at a Sky Valley residence for no more than forty-eight hours for the purpose of unloading and loading.

Permitting & Inspections

Building Permits

The building inspector wants to remind everyone that work done on your home may likely require a permit. The inspector has come across a number of jobs that did not have the appropriate permits. When in doubt, please contact the Building Inspector's Office or City Hall. If you are found to be doing work without a permit, your first offense will subject you to a penalty fee equal to double the cost of the permit, a \$50 minimum. The homeowner is ultimately responsible for making sure his/her contractors obtain the necessary permits. Permits are required for, but not limited to, all structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, soil & erosion, roofing, decking, stairs, concrete, tree cutting, additions and remodeling. Many repair permits have no cost associated with them but are still required and will still be subject to the penalty fee if they are not properly obtained.

Tree Cutting Permits

Please don't forget that any tree with a trunk that is 8" or more in diameter (25" or more in circumference) at 18" above the ground requires a permit for cutting, trimming & topping.

Please note that native shrubbery, trees and undergrowth such as mountain laurel, rhododendron, rare wildflowers, ferns, etc. are protected within the City of Sky Valley. Clear cutting or the removal of all trees or native vegetation is prohibited in excess of a 10' x 10' area without a permit.

You are permitted to remove limbs from a tree up to twelve feet above the ground without a permit. If you had to obtain a permit to cut, it would not qualify for city chipping service. Contractors are responsible for the removal of all tree cuttings and debris within fourteen days.

Roads

Paving

The road paving project is in its final stages. Please be aware of road paving crews. Please be patient with paving crews and pay close attention to signs and re-routing instructions.

Chipping Service

Homeowner chipping service is done as needed. Please call City Hall to arrange for pick-up. The City provides 15 minutes of chipping service to every homeowner each month as a part of your garbage bill. Chipping service is then provided at a rate of \$100/hour for any time exceeding the first 15 minutes. Cuttings must be less than 8" in diameter and must be stacked in one direction on the right-of-way, out of the road and not in an area that will block culverts or otherwise impede storm water drainage. We cannot chip small yard debris, vines, thorn bushes, small shrubbery clippings, railroad ties, landscape timbers, or similar type items. The chipping service is designed for limbs and small trees only. All other yard waste must be bagged.

Leaves and Yard Waste Pick-up

Yard waste is collected separately from household garbage. Yard waste shall be placed for pickup within 5 feet of the roadway. Leaves must be bagged for pick-up. Please call City Hall for all yard debris pick-up.

Mulch

Mulch from our chipping service is available for purchase from the City for \$25 per load delivered.

City Park

Walking Path

The City Council has appropriated funds to lengthen the walking path in the park across from the mail facility. Construction of a bridge is still under consideration by the Council which, if approved, would complete the loop.

Pickleball Courts

Two Pickleball Courts have been completed for public use in the park adjacent to the mail facility. The Courts will be open from 8 AM to 9 PM. Please wear court shoes and bring your own playing equipment and water bottles.

Pavilion

The City Council has appropriated funds for a public pavilion and restrooms in the park adjacent to the mail facility. Construction is nearing completion.

Police

The Police Chief would like to remind everyone that the non-emergency number for the police department should not be used in the case of an emergency. Please call 911 so that all responding agencies can get the necessary information through the dispatch center without delay.

The police responded to 5 emergency 911 calls, performed 3 welfare checks, assisted 13 residents and escorted 6 visitors among the total 753 calls and requests for service. They also logged 3,935 miles patrolling the city.

Water

GA Environmental Protection Division has recently completed a Sanitary Survey of the Sky Valley Water System. An on-site review of the City's water sources, tanks, pump stations, record keeping and maintenance of the water system was evaluated for adequacy in producing and distributing safe drinking water. Results of the inspection will be forthcoming once available.

Don't forget that we offer automated bank draft for water/garbage billings. Please contact Alyssa Mullins at City Hall to sign up for this service. Remember, your account will automatically be drafted for the total amount due each month. You will still receive a paper bill so that you can continue to audit the water usage and billing amount each month.

Any vacated residence detected using water by the City will be assumed to have faulty plumbing internally. Upon this assumption, the City will turn off the water to prevent additional damage to the property and attempt to contact the property owner. With the cold weather, several homeowners have experienced broken water lines in their yards and damages to their homes. We cannot emphasize enough that you should have your homeowner valve adjacent to the meter shut off when you are going to be away. If you are unable to turn off/on the valve by yourself, the City offers this service for \$10.00.

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Sewer

The feasibility study for the sewer project is still underway. This is a study being prepared by Engineering Management Inc. and funded jointly by the City and Rabun County.

Solid Waste

Household garbage is collected on Monday and recycling on Thursday. Garbage and recycling must be put out by 8 AM on collection day. Don't forget that garbage should not be placed out for pick-up any earlier than the morning of the service. Animals scatter garbage even when put in the underground cans. Our garbage collectors are not responsible for picking up any garbage that is not properly bagged once they arrive. The compactor at the tractor barn on Knob Drive can be utilized when you need to take your garbage somewhere prior to a garbage collection day. This is especially important when your garbage contains food items. NO garbage other than regular bagged household garbage should be put out by the road or in any dumpster or compactor.

Please note, if you use underground cans and they are in disrepair, you will need to discontinue their use or replace them. We have a constant problem with untied bags and loose trash in the underground cans. If you are using an underground can, you should have a removable liner that can be lifted out of the can. If you do not have the liner, you will need to discontinue use until replaced. This is for the safety of our garbage collectors.

Any contractors or residents found dumping lumber, carpeting, paint, furniture, appliances, or any other non-bagged household garbage in the dumpsters or compactor will be cited and fined up to \$1,000. Construction debris and other such items should be hauled to the transfer station on Boggs Mountain Road in Tiger.

Reduce... Reuse... Recycle...

Reduce the amount and toxicity of trash you throw away

Reuse containers and products

Recycle as much as possible and buy products with recycled content



100 GENERAL FUND

Account	Description	Current Year			Variance	%
		Current Month	Current YTD	Budget		
Revenue						
310000	TAXES	6,395.13	1,041,097.95	1,065,650.00	-24,552.05	98
320000	LICENSES & PERMITS	942.00	7,112.00	13,800.00	-6,688.00	52
330000	INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUE		14,453.22	36,450.00	-21,996.78	40
340000	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	1,380.00	5,288.32	10,600.00	-5,311.68	50
350000	FINES & FORFEITS	282.56	3,243.77	8,000.00	-4,756.23	41
360000	INVESTMENT INCOME	122.61	1,102.76	1,500.00	-397.24	74
370000	CONTRIBUTIONS/DONATIONS	2,900.00	18,900.00	20,000.00	-1,100.00	95
380000	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	1,123.00	20,504.24	24,348.00	-3,843.76	84
	Total Revenue	13,145.30	1,111,702.26	1,180,348.00	-68,645.74	94
Expenses						
411000	LEGISLATIVE	50.00	7,348.30	10,800.00	3,451.70	68
413000	EXECUTIVE		2,504.13	3,500.00	995.87	72
414000	ELECTIONS		128.00	4,790.00	4,662.00	3
415000	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	24,278.93	149,329.01	217,440.00	68,110.99	69
415650	GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS	3,830.19	30,965.79	52,260.00	21,294.21	59
420000	JUDICIAL	236.60	2,836.29	4,915.00	2,078.71	58
432000	POLICE	30,099.85	218,284.93	304,795.00	86,510.07	72
435000	FIRE		29,212.50	61,225.00	32,012.50	48
442000	ROADS	134,639.81	262,956.17	582,903.00	319,946.83	45
461000	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES/EVENTS	1,438.56	13,082.26	30,000.00	16,917.74	44
462000	PARKS	41,941.77	92,113.71	178,462.00	86,348.29	52
470000	HOUSING & DEVELOPMENT	2,031.92	28,943.52	40,380.00	11,436.48	72
475000	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	4,144.07	33,039.99	54,045.00	21,005.01	61
490000	OTHER FINANCING USES			25,750.00	25,750.00	
	Total Expenses	242,691.70	870,744.60	1,571,265.00	700,520.40	55
	Net Income from Operations		240,957.66			
	Other Revenue		10,415.63	6,000.00	4,415.63	174
390000	OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	0.00	10,415.63	6,000.00	4,415.63	174
	Total Other Revenue	0.00	10,415.63	6,000.00	4,415.63	174
	Net Income		251,373.29			

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Income Statements Summarized
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505 WATER FUND

Account	Description	Current Year			Variance	%
		Current Month	Current YTD	Budget		
Revenue						
340000	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	37,582.67	262,292.56	389,900.00	-127,607.44	67
360000	INTEREST INCOME	74.72	603.22	1,000.00	-396.78	60
	Total Revenue	37,657.39	262,895.78	390,900.00	-128,004.22	67
Expenses						
444000	WATER	27,576.64	222,096.95	405,900.00	183,803.05	55
	Total Expenses	27,576.64	222,096.95	405,900.00	183,803.05	55
	Net Income from Operations	10,080.75	40,798.83			
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545 SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING

Account	Description	Current Year			Variance	%
		Current Month	Current YTD	Budget		
Revenue						
340000	CHARGES FOR SERVICES	16,265.42	129,477.78	193,200.00	-63,722.22	67
	Total Revenue	16,265.42	129,477.78	193,200.00	-63,722.22	67
EXPENSES						
445000	SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING	15,685.78	94,146.29	193,200.00	99,053.71	49
	Total Expenses	15,685.78	94,146.29	193,200.00	99,053.71	49
	Net Income from Operations	579.64	35,331.49			
	Net Income	579.64	35,331.49			

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY LOG

INCIDENT	2016												2015		2014		
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	2017 YTD	Incomplete Data	Incomplete Data	Complete	Complete
Fire	0	1	2	1	1	1	0	1					7	6	4	10	
Medical Emergency	9	6	3	3	5	3	4	5					38	52	21	35	
Vehicle Accident	0	0	0	0	2	1	4	2					9	19	13	7	
Family Violence	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0					4	0	2	1	
Fight/Assault	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0	2	0	1	
Death/Suicide	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1					3	2	0	3	
Missing Person	6	1	0	0	0	0	2	1					10	6	2	6	
Burglary/Break-In	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0	7	1	1	
Theft	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0					1	6	3	4	
Suspicious Activity	1	1	0	0	2	1	1	0					6	8	14	26	
Suspicious Person	0	0	0	0	6	4	0	3					13	7	3	4	
Suspicious Vehicle	3	0	2	0	6	4	0	2					17	10	5	24	
Alarm	0	4	3	1	3	3	1	0					15	23	0	12	
Investigation	13	5	5	7	4	6	9	4					53	162	0	3	
DUI/Public Drunk	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					1	0	0	0	
Drug Related	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0	0	0	0	
Juvenile	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0	4	0	0	
Traffic Control	3	2	3	2	5	7	7	9					38	41	20	14	
Traffic Stop	6	5	2	3	8	7	20	21					72	189	31	19	
Mutual Aid	3	6	3	5	6	5	1	8					37	45	9	38	
Animal	1	1	8	2	16	18	24	45					115	117	30	29	
Lost & Found	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0					3	18	0	6	
Complaint	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	2					5	3	13	16	
City Ord. Violation	1	3	0	0	1	0	1	3					9	8	1	2	
Resident Assist	51	16	13	9	20	16	25	13					163	312	16	18	
Residence Check	679	526	409	384	315	299	367	344					3323	1299	36	0	
Business Check	166	162	211	236	180	255	290	257					1757	820	0	0	
Welfare Check	35	32	23	14	19	11	8	3					145	90	9	11	
Visitor Escort	13	4	5	5	4	4	6	6					47	190	22	34	
Vehicle Assist	6	3	0	4	5	1	6	5					30	80	36	70	
Arrests	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0					3	8	1	5	
Warnings	3	7	0	2	5	7	16	14					54	121	4	3	
Citations	3	0	0	1	0	2	1	4					11	93	3	9	
Total Calls	1006	787	693	679	613	657	801	753	0	0	0	0	5989	3748	140	561	
911 Calls	10	12	8	4	14	9	4	5					66	69	0	90	
Mileage	4049	3269	3253	3756	3805	3447	3672	3935					29186	34929	18152	37039	

Housing & Development Departmental Data Report	For month ending August 31, 2017		
	August 2017	YTD	2016 YTD
New Residential & Commercial permits issued	0	1	1
All other addition, remodel and repair permits	8	72	72
Certificates of Occupancy issued	0	0	0
Total New Construction not yet finalized	0		0
Total Other Construction not yet finalized	3		4
Notices to Comply issued	0	0	0
Stop Work Orders issued	0	0	0
Tree Cutting permits issued	6	67	75
Code & Ordinance Violations cited	0	0	0
Fees Collected			
	August 2017	YTD	2016 YTD
New Residential or Commercial Permits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Addition, Remodel, Repair Permits	\$175.00	\$2,450.00	\$4,347.20
Tree Cutting Permits	\$165.00	\$2,240.00	\$3,435.00
Land Disturbing Permits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fines Collected for Ordinance Violations	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,100.00

Totals Report For 2014 Taxes August 2017 Tax Commissioner

	Billed	Collected	Adjustments	Outstanding
2014 Ad Valorem Tax	953,344.25	948,356.10	4,890.29-	97.86
Interest	1791.63	1767.17	0	24.46
Penalty	1387.45	1377.66	0	9.79
Costs	940.00	918.00	0	22.00
Totals	957,463.33	952,418.93	4890.29-	132.11

Collected: 99.98 %

Totals Report For 2015 Taxes August 2017 Tax Commissioner

	Billed	Collected	Adjustments	Outstanding
2015 Ad Valorem Tax	945,099.76	944,848.33	467.14+	718.57
Interest	2218.09	2105.02	0	113.07
Penalty	1627.68	1555.83	0	71.85
Costs	4036.00	3640.00	0	396.00
Totals	952,981.53	952,149.18	467.14+	1299.49

Collected: 99.92%

Totals Report For 2016 Taxes August 2017 Tax Commissioner

	Billed	Collected	Adjustments	Outstanding
2016 Ad Valorem Tax	943,040.34	939,934.63	(-2,626.45)	479.26
Interest	1045.88	1022.92		22.96
Penalty	414.93	397.07		17.86
Costs	7150.31	6071.38		1078.93
Totals	951,651.46	947,426.00	(-2,626.45)	1599.01

Collected: 99.94%

Proclamation
Red Ribbon Week

Whereas, communities across America have been plagued by the numerous problems associated with illicit drug use and those that traffic in them; and

Whereas, there is hope in winning the war on drugs, and that hope lies in education and drug demand reduction, coupled with the hard work and determination of organizations such as the Young Marine of the Marine Corps League to foster a healthy, drug-free lifestyle; and

Whereas, governments and community leaders know that citizen support is one of the most effective tools in the effort to reduce the use of illicit drugs in our communities; and

Whereas, the red ribbon has been chose as a symbol commemorating the work of Enriquée "Kiki" Camarena, a Drug Enforcement Administration agent who was murdered in the line of duty, and represents the belief that one person can make a difference; and

Whereas, the Red Ribbon Campaign was established by Congress in 1988 to encourage a drug-free lifestyle and involvement in drug prevention and reduction efforts; and

Whereas, October 23-31 has been designed National Red Ribbon Week, which encourages American to wear a red ribbon to show their support for a drug-free environment;

*Now, Therefore, I Milner Lively, Council President to hereby proclaim October 23-31, 2017 as **RED RIBBON WEEK** in Sky Valley, Georgia, and urge all citizens to join me in the special observance.*

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Sky Valley to be affixed this twenty-sixth day of September in the year of our Lord thousand seventeen.

Milner Lively
Council President of Sky Valley, Georgia

Seal

YM/PFC Scotland Massingill

42 Shady Oak Lane SW
Cartersville, GA 30120
678-939-7504
amcmassignill@yahoo.com

08/14/2017



RE: Red Ribbon Week Proclamation

To Whom It May Concern,

I am an Etowah Valley Young Marine. I am writing to request your help.

Red Ribbon Week will be the last week of October and the Young Marines in our great state of Georgia will be actively participating in this nationally recognized anti-illicit drug awareness event. We need your help. Can you help me assist us in publicizing and promoting this week by issuing a proclamation that boldly declares your community's support and commitment in the fight against illegal drugs and those that promote their? Attached you will find a couple of sample proclamations to assist in this effort.

The mission of the Young Marine program is to develop good citizenship and promote a healthy, drug free lifestyle in our youth. Drug awareness and education are vital and key elements in the Young fight against illicit drug use and trafficking in our communities. To win this war on drugs, we must reduce the demand for illicit drugs and one of the best ways to this mission is through education and awareness. Red Ribbon Week is an excellent opportunity to promote illicit drug awareness and we hope that you will join with us and in this campaign. Young Marines will actively and aggressively participate in the Red Ribbon Week campaign. Having the city's support in this Young Marine project will greatly assist us in getting our anti-drug message out.

In showing your support with your proclamation we will be working together to rid our state, starting in your city of illicit drug use and those that traffic and profit from them. The Young Marine program is having a positive impact in our communities and we are developing responsible citizenship in our youth. We need your help in this effort.

Will you please support us with a proclamation? If so, please notify me. It can be mailed to the above address.

Thank you so much for your cooperation and support with the Red Ribbon Week campaign.

Sincerely yours,

YM/PFC Massingill

Age: 12

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONTRACT BETWEEN RABUN COUNTY AND THE
CITY OF SKY VALLEY PROVIDING FOR USE OF RABUN
COUNTY DETENTION CENTER BY MUNICIPAL PRISONERS**

For and in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein and further, in consideration of the fees and provision of services called for herein, and pursuant to O.C.G.A. Section 15-21-90, et. seq. the City of Sky Valley (hereinafter called "City") and the County of Rabun, (hereinafter called "County") agree as follows:

A. THE COUNTY AGREES:

1. To accept and to assume the care, custody and control of persons arrested by the peace officers of the City of Sky Valley and persons sentenced to jail terms by the Recorders Court of the City of Sky Valley, for offenses arising out of violations of either state law, city ordinance or both.

2. To accept municipal, county and state prisoners on a first come - first served basis; and in the event a court order specifically forbids the County from accepting additional prisoners in the county jail on a first come - first served basis or if the county jail is otherwise filled to capacity, the contract may be terminated as provided in paragraph C below.

3. To hold harmless and indemnify the City, its officers, agents and employees from and against all damages, losses, costs and expenses including reasonable attorney's fees for claims for injuries or damages arising out of any occurrence while a prisoner is in the care, custody and control of Rabun County. This indemnification provision shall be effective only after prisoners have been completely turned over by the City officers to the custody of the County.

4. To segregate from other county funds the revenues received from the City pursuant to this contract and to place such funds in a county jail fund as required by O.C.G.A.

Section 15-21-94 and to expend such funds for the sole purpose of constructing, operating and staffing of the Rabun County Detention Center.

5. To assume liability for and to pay for the cost of medical treatment that may become necessary as a result of any injury which occurs to a prisoner while in the custody and control of the County. The County shall be responsible only for such in-custody injuries that arise or take place after such prisoners are in the custody and control of County officers.

Medical treatment which is not the result of an in-custody injury the arising out of any action or omission by the County after the prisoner has been booked by the County will remain the responsibility of the City.

B. THE CITY AGREES:

1. To impose and collect an additional penalty of ten percent (10%) of the original fine for each offense against the criminal or traffic laws of this state or any ordinance of the City when such cases are tried in or disposed of in the Recorder's Court of the City.

2. To impose and collect an additional sum equal to ten percent (10%) of the original amount of any bail or bond posted and then forfeited, in any case involving a violation of the criminal or traffic laws of this state or violation of an ordinance of the City.

3. To remit the sums collected pursuant to paragraphs 1 and 2 above to the governing authority of Rabun County on the tenth day of the month following the month in which such sums are collected.

4. To bear the cost of transporting City prisoners and detainees to the Rabun County Detention Center, located at 175 Boen Creek Road, Tiger, Georgia 30576.

5. Unless otherwise agreed upon in writing by the parties, in no event shall the amount of money to be remitted to the County on a monthly basis be less than \$44 per day for

each municipal prisoner housed in the county jail. The contributions by the City as authorized in Paragraph B1 and B2 shall be credited to determine any per diem amount due under this subparagraph. It is understood that the credits toward the per diem shall be computed on an annualized basis with quarterly reconciliation being computed to assert in the determination of any per diem payments due hereunder.

6. To assume liability for and to pay the cost of any and all medical treatment that may become necessary for prisoners being held on charges pending in the Recorder's Court of the City or being held on sentences from the Recorder's Court of the City while such persons are in the care, custody and control of the County; provided medical treatment and expenses which become necessary due to injuries or accidents which occur after such prisoners are turned over to the sole and absolute custody and control of the County will be the responsibility of the County.

C. TERMINATION

The City may terminate this contract upon failure of the County to accept municipal prisoners in accordance with the terms of this contract, including, but not limited to, a refusal by the County to accept municipal prisoners as required by this contract pursuant to the order of a court of competent jurisdiction. The County may terminate this contract and refuse to accept municipal prisoners if the City fails to remit money due in a timely manner. Either party may terminate this contract if the other party fails to fulfill in a timely and proper manner the obligations under this contract. Termination pursuant to this paragraph shall be accomplished by a thirty (30) day advance written notice of the termination provided to the other party to the contract. Such written notice shall be mailed, return receipt requested, to the chairman of the Board of County Commissioners in the case of the County and to the Mayor, in the care of the City.

D. CUSTODY

For the purposes of this agreement a prisoner is considered to be in the care, custody and control of the County or completely turned over to the County at such time as the prisoner is booked by the Rabun County Sheriff's Department.

E. TIME

Time is of the essence in the performance of this contract.

F. CONTRACT PERIOD

Unless otherwise terminated in accordance with Paragraph C above, the parties hereto agree that the initial term of this agreement shall be for a period of 12 months commencing on the 1st day of January, 2017 and ending on the 31st day of December, 2017, with said agreement automatically renewing itself for a 12-month term at the end of the initial term. and for a 12 month term at the end of each term thereafter unless any party shall give notice to the other parties no less than thirty (30) days prior the end of any term of this agreement whether it be the original term of any subsequent renewal term thereafter.

G. TERMS AND CONDITIONS

This contract contains all the terms and conditions and represents the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes any preexisting contracts relating to the use of the Rabun County Detention Center by municipal prisoners. Any alterations of this contract shall be invalid unless made by an amendment in writing and duly executed by both parties. There are no understandings, representations, or agreements, written or oral, other than those contained herein.

APPROVED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Sky Valley on the _____ day of _____, 2017.

Mayor, City of Sky Valley

ATTEST:

City Clerk

APPROVED by the Sheriff of Rabun County on the _____ day of _____, 2017.

Chad K. Nichols, Sheriff
Rabun County

APPROVED by the Board of Commissioners of Rabun County on the _____ day of _____, 2017, and entered on the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Commissioners of said date.

Chairman, Rabun County
Board of Commissioners

ATTEST:

County Clerk

Return Recorded Document to:
File #: 17-668
J David Smith, LLC
ENGLISH, TUNKLE & SMITH, LLP
Attorneys at Law
17 Chechero Street
Clayton, Georgia 30525
(706) 782-4285

QUITCLAIM DEED

STATE OF GEORGIA
COUNTY OF RABUN

THIS INDENTURE, Made the _____ day of **August, 2017**, between **City of Sky Valley**, of the County of **Rabun**, and the State of **Georgia**, as party or parties of the first part, hereinafter called Grantor, and **Barbara Bottner**, as party or parties of the second part, hereinafter called Grantee (the words "Grantor" and Grantee" to include their respective heirs, successors and assigns where the context requires or permits).

WITNESSETH that: **City of Sky Valley**, Grantor, for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar (\$1.00) and other valuable considerations in hand paid at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, by these presents does hereby remise, convey and forever **QUITCLAIM** unto the said Grantee,

All that tract or parcel of land lying and being in Land Lot 167 of the Second Land District of Rabun County, Georgia, and being designated as Lot 178A, Ridgepole Area, Part 2 consisting of 0.04 acre and being more fully described upon a plat of survey prepared by W Jonathan Rolader, Georgia Registered Land Surveyor, No. 3231, dated August 17, 2017, which is recorded in the office of the clerk of Rabun Superior Court in Plat Book 65 page _____. Said survey is incorporated herein by reference for a full and complete description of the above-described lands.

This conveyance is made subject to restrictive covenants recorded in the office of the clerk of Rabun Superior Court in Deed Book F-7, page 289.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said described premises to grantee, so that neither grantor nor any person or persons claiming under grantor shall at any time, by any means or ways, have, claim or demand any right to title to said premises or appurtenances, or any rights thereof.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Grantor has signed and sealed this deed, the day and year first above written.

Sworn to and subscribed before me on this _____
day of _____ 2017:

City of Sky Valley

Witness

Notary Public

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: _____

By: Milner Lively, Mayor Pro-Tem, (Seal)

Allen McLeroy

55 Appalachian Point

Sky Valley, GA

APPEAL TO CITY COUNCIL

Any applicant dissatisfied with the recommendation of the city marshal/ building inspector or the decision of the city manager may appeal such recommendation or decision to the city council...

TREE ORDINANCE 12-01

Requires that any trees cut or debris from trees topped or trimmed be removed within 14 days.

APPEAL REQUEST:

Request to Council that trees be allowed to stay on the property where they are to be cut due to difficulty in retrieving the debris and the monetary hardship if required to remove.

No one else will see the trees and no residential properties back up to the property.

See attached.



Overview




Legend

-  Parcels
-  Roads

Parcel ID	047B 114	Owner	MCLEROY ALLEN N	Last 2 Sales			
Class Code	Residential		55 APPALACHIAN PT #211	Date	Price	Reason	Qual
Taxing District	Sky Valley		DILLARD GA 30537	8/1/1994	\$22000	XV	U
	Sky Valley	Physical Address	55 APPALACHIAN 0	8/1/1994	\$22000	XV	U
Acres	5.28	Assessed Value	Value \$234692				

(Note: Not to be used on legal documents)

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 The Schneider Corporation

Sky Valley City Council
City of Sky Valley, GA
3444 Highway 246
Sky Valley, GA 30537

September 22, 2017

Councilmembers:

I have made application to remove a dying tree that threatens my home at 299 Winding Ridge Dr., Sky Valley, GA. In this case, I am requesting that you waive the tree ordinance requirement that the trunk of the tree be removed from the property. This tree is approximately 100 feet tall and 4 feet in diameter.

To take down the tree, cutters will first remove all branches. I will cut up the trunks of the larger branches for firewood as the ordinance allows and the remaining debris from the branches will be removed by the contractors. However, I am requesting that I be allowed to use the remaining approximately 50 feet of the trunk as an erosion control barrier on a section of my property that has an approximate 20-degree grade. The trunk will be dropped across the grade to help control water runoff.

Safely taking down a tree this large (the tree must be sectioned and lowered) in an area not accessible to large machinery is a significant cost. Forcing me to also remove this trunk greatly increases the cost of removing this hazard to my home.

Additionally, removing the trunk on such a step grade creates significant safety hazards, and would tear up a significant amount of small vegetation - also resulting in erosion damage.

Thank you for your consideration.



Keith A. Graham