

**City of Varnell**  
**SPECIAL CALLED MEETING**  
**City Council**  
**June 12, 2018**

**Members Present:** Mayor – Tom Dickson  
**Council Members:** Bill Caylor, Bob Roche,  
Clyde Williams, David Owens

**City Administrator:** Mike Brown  
**City Clerk:** Pam Garrison  
**Absent:** Ashlee Godfrey

The City Council meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm and a quorum was confirmed by Mayor, Tom Dickson.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Discussion was led by Ethan Calhoun, with the Dalton-Whitfield Planning Commission.

Mr. Calhoun went over the report of accomplishments for 2013-2017. He stated that for the Comprehensive Plan to be eligible for state and federal funding, the plan has to have a 5 year partial plan update and a 10-year full update which is what the commission is in the process of seeking state and federal funding at this time.

The Transportation project is well under way on the East Side of Varnell with plans within the next few years to be completed. This project ties in to the GA Port in South Georgia. When the project starts moving west locally within the northern part of Whitfield County, roads will be widened, transportation of cargo items to be shipped from rail to sea and will be more visible of the industry that is being developed. At this time, it is an ongoing project.

Discussion was held regarding the expanding of sewer and natural gas line expansions further out into the county. A suggestion was made of possibly expanding highway 2 from Ringgold and expanding it into a 4-lane highway. Council member Williams stated that he had been told that highway 201 coming from the interstate going East was in the discussion process of becoming a 4-lane highway where it joins highway 2. It would then continue into Murray County to highway 411.

There being no further business, Clyde Williams made a motion to adjourn. A second was given by Bob Roche and the vote was unanimously.

Respectfully submitted by  
Pam Garrison  
City Clerk