

August 19, 2024
Turin Town Hall @ 7 pm
Council Meeting & Public Notice

Call to Order

- Mayor Starr

Invocation

- Councilman Bolden

Pledge of Allegiance

- All in attendance

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Turin hereby announces that the millage rate will be set at a meeting to be held at the Turin Town Hall, 47 Turin Road, Turin, Georgia on August 19, 2024, at 7:00 p.m., and pursuant to OC.GA. § 48-5-32 does hereby publish the following presentation of the current year's tax digest and levy along with the history of the tax digest and levy for the past five years.

TOWN OF TURIN
5 Year Tax Digest History

CITY – TURIN	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
REAL & PERSONAL	16,814,918	23,368,839	26,821,585	34,404,306	43,837,794	49,924,631
MOTOR VEHICLE	81,540	3,100	64,720	93,920	127,770	110,090
MOBILE HOMES	8,229	8,229	8,229	8229	8,229	8,042
TIMBER – 100%	0	0	0	0	0	0
HEAVY DUTY EQUIPMENT	0	0	0	0	0	0
GROSS DIGEST	16,904,687	23,380,168	26,894,534	34,506,455	43,973,793	50,042,763
LESS M&O EXEMPTIONS	0	0	0	0	1,523,575	1,738,924
NET M&O DIGEST	16,904,687	23,380,168	26,894,534	34,506,455	42,450,218	48,303,839
GROSS M&O MILLAGE	0	0	0	4	1.5	1.293
LESS ROLLBACKS	0	0	0	2.5	0.207	0.099
NET M&O MILLAGE	0	0	0	1.5	1.293	1.194
NET TAXES LEVIED	0	0	0	51,760	54,888	57,674

NET TAXES \$ INCREASE	0	0	0	51,760	3,128	2,786
NET TAXES % INCREASE	0	0	0	100%	5.6	5.0

- Motion made by Councilman Bolden to adopt the 1.19 millage rate for tax year 2024, 2nd by Councilman Ramos. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

- No need to adjourn

Call Council Meeting to Order

- Meeting already called to order

Approval of Minutes

- **July 15, 2024**
 - Motion made by Councilman Bolden to accept minutes with one word correction, 2nd by Councilman Sprouse. Motion carried.

Unfinished BUSINESS

- **2024 Budget**
 - Councilman Bolden made a motion to have some discussion on the 2024 budget, 2nd by Councilman Sprouse to have a discussion on the 2024 budget. Councilman Bolden wants to have the Code Enforcement Office at \$20.00 an hour 15 – 20 hours a week added as a line item, 2nd by Councilman Sprouse to add the line item for the Code Enforcement officer and a Judge to hear the cases. Councilman Boldan, with the advice from Council withdrew the motion. Table to the September Council meeting.
- **Proposed parking diagram for lot next to post office**
 - Brennon Jones, Town Engineer has gotten the survey done and is now putting together 2 concepts drawings and cost for the parking lot. Table to the September meeting.
- **Digital speed sign on Hwy 16**
 - Councilman Sprouse made a motion to approve the digital signs on Hwy 16 on the approval of DOT, 2nd by Councilman Bolden. Motion carried.
- **Renting out old Community Building as a bakery**
 - Motion made by Councilman Boldan for him and the Mayor to work with Mark Mitchell, Town Attorney on a contract for the old community building to be used as a bakery and bring back to the Council for approval, 2nd by Councilman Ramos. Motion carried.
- **Storm Water Extents of Service**
 - Table to the September Council meeting.

- **Enforcement Officer**
 - Motion made by Councilman Bolden to approve the position on contingent of finding room in the budget, 2nd by Councilman Sprouse. Motion carried.
- **Judge/Lawyer to hear court cases**
 - Motion made by Councilman Bolden to approve the position on contingent of finding room in the budget, 2nd by Councilman Sprouse. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINES

- N/A

ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATE

- N/A

COMMITTEE UPDATE

- N/A

PLANNING Commission

- **Jackie Campbell new member**
 - Motion made by Councilman Bolden to approve Jackie Campbell as the new member to the Planning and Zoning, 2nd by Councilman Rams. Motion carried.

WATER SYSTEM UPDATE

- Turin had a water break at Hwy 154 and instead of tearing up the road, which would have been very expensive, they decided to bore under the road.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- **Karen Bremer 112 Noble View Dr.**
 - Please reference the pages attached to the minutes.
- **Lydia Wallin 256 Linch Rd**
 - Wants to know when or if the repairs are going to be done in Graceton Farms subdivision according to Brennan Jone's report.
- **Elizabeth Soukup 125 Graceton Farms Dr**
 - Expects the Council to act on behave of their community. They are the Town's biggest tax source, and they also vote for the Mayor and Council in and out of office. Not one thing has been improved in Graceton Farms. The Council took a vote to act on the bond, and it has been 2 years, and nothing has been done. How long has the City Attorney been the attorney and how long has the City Engineer been the engineer because neither one is serving our community right now. The Graceton Farms community expects action. She has texts from the mayor stating that he will not allow the bond to expire. They are done with the good ole boy system. They want and demand action.
- **Jeff Grubbs 5050 Hwy 16**
 - Shared with the mayor and Council their business proposal. They want to renovate the old garage on Hwy 16 across from the fire station. They are going to sell utility trailers. Was instructed to submit a variance to the zoning committee.

- **Elizabeth Soukup 125 Graceton Farms Dr**
 - With all due respect to the Town Attorney need to show some etiquette and turn off the ringer on his phone while the public is engaging with the Mayor and Council.
- **Harold Jean 378 Reese Rd**
 - Wanted the Mayor and Council to know that he does not like nor want the speed bumps in front of his house. Wants to know who approved this. When the people get over the bumps, they floor the gas and haul butt. 65 to 70 percent will not even slow down to cross the bumps. What good are they doing if they aren't doing any good. Tax money for this was spent badly on these.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

- **Clarence Bolden**
 - Met with the Grubbs about the proposed business at the garage on Hwy 16. That property has always looked terrible and has not been kept up and wants to hear recommendations from the zoning committee.
- **Walter Sprouse**
 - Wants to know from the Mayor why he hasn't recalled the bond at Graceton Farms Subdivision that the Council voted to recall.
 - Wants to know from Mark Mitchell, Town Attorney why he has not gotten back with him from the several calls and emails that he has sent. Mark was also supposed to get back with the Council to let them know if there is a active bond at Graceton Farms or not.
- **Alan Stapp**
 - Not in attendance
- **Fernando Ramos**
 - N/A

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

- Wanted to recognize that Miss Linda Quick passed away.

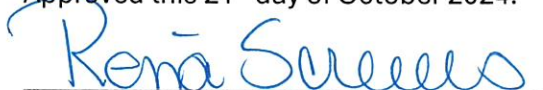
Executive SESSION

- N/A

ADJOURNMENT

- Motion made by Councilman Bolden to adjourn the meeting, 2nd by Councilman Ramos. Motion carried.

Approved this 21st day of October 2024.



Town Clerk