## THE CITY OF DALTON MAYOR AND COUNCIL MINUTES MARCH 23, 2020

The Mayor and Council held a live streamed meeting at noon in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Conference Room of City Hall. Present were Mayor David Pennington, Council members Derek Waugh, Annalee Harlan, Tyree Goodlett and Gary Crews, City Administrator Jason Parker, City Attorney Gandi Vaughn.

## **COVID-19 UPDATE AND DISCUSSION**

The Mayor and Council updated the public by disseminating information from the local health industry and also leaders from the business and manufacturing communities in an effort to mitigate the impact of the virus and outlined several safety measures citizens should take to remain safe from illness and to limit the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

Joe Yarbrough, Chairman of the Carpet and Rug Institute (CRI), updated the Mayor and Council on behalf of the floor covering industry regarding measures taken to insure the safety of workers inside facilities.

## JOINT RESOLUTION DECLARING STATE OF EMERB3ENCY

On the motion of Council member Harlan, second Council member Goodlett, the Mayor and Council approved a Join Resolution with Whitfield County declaring a State of Emergency in the Cities of Dalton, Tunnel Hill, Varnell, and the Town of Cohutta in Order to Mitigate the Spread of COVID-19 by limiting all Voluntary Social Gatherings, Dine-in Restaurant Services and Exposure at Nursing and Retirement homes, and providing flexibility regarding the sale of alcohol for off premise use and for other purposes. The vote was unanimous in favor.

The Mayor and Council further outlined City Services that would be either closed or limited:

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Mayor and Council, the meeting was Adjourned at 12:25 p.m.

	Bernadette Chattam City Clerk
David Pennington, Mayor	
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