

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF SKY VALLEY, GEORGIA
SEPTEMBER 22, 2015
TUESDAY, 10:00 AM
FELLOWSHIP HALL, 817 SKY VALLEY WAY**

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

July 28, 2015 Regular Council Meeting

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MAYOR'S REMARKS

COUNCIL REMARKS

CITY MANAGER & DEPARTMENT REPORTS – EXCEPTIONS AND QUESTIONS

NEW BUSINESS

- Resolution to Provide for a Building Permit for an Approved Zoning Variance
- Resolution to Adopt the 2016 Budget and to Set the Millage Rate for the 2015 Ad Valorem Taxes
- Water Bill Adjustment Request – Tanglewood Condominiums
- Water Bill Adjustment Request – Johnson, 769 Bald Mountain Road

PUBLIC FORUM AND GENERAL COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT



CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

September, 2015

Announcements -

2015 General Election

Qualifying for the 2015 General Election has closed. The candidates listed below have qualified.

Mayor

Hughel Goodgame (incumbent)

Council

Embree H. "Ben" Chitwood, Jr.

Robert Larsen (incumbent)

Milner Lively (incumbent)

Robert MacNair

W. Delano "Dee" Moore

Ed Steil

Laura Haywood Gurley qualified for Council but has since withdrawn her name from the ballot.

The office of mayor is unopposed – Hughel Goodgame will be elected to a two-year term

There being three council members whose terms expire in 2015, the three candidates receiving the most votes will be elected to a two-year term.

The last day to register to vote in the 2015 General Election is October 5, 2015

Advanced Voting begins Monday, October 12, 2015

General Election is Tuesday, November 3, 2015

Marketing



Billboard

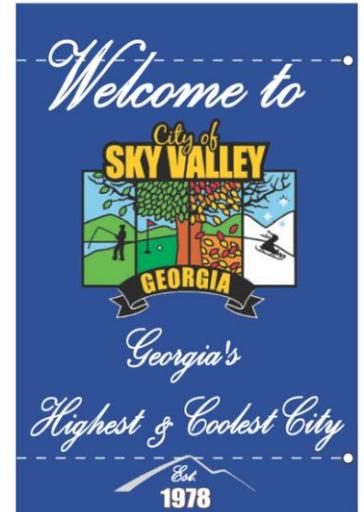
The City and POA have jointly funded a billboard on Highway 441 North in Lakemont shortly after you enter into Rabun County.

Banners

The City and POA have also jointly funded banners which will be displayed on light poles and other places in the city. The banners were intended to be used on power poles owned by GA Power, however the size restrictions they imposed made the banners unusable for those locations.

Beautification

The Visitor Center has been painted and landscaped. The parking area has been resurfaced and will be striped in the coming weeks. Patty Calderone of Calderone Gallery is planning a bear scene mural for the upper end of the building. This mural will not cost the City anything and will make for a great photo opportunity for people visiting Sky Valley.



Fall Fest

The City, POA and Club are diligently working on Fall Fest scheduled for October 17, 2015 from 10 AM to 4 PM. We have an Cruise-In that begins at 10 AM with all kinds of unique cars that will be on display throughout the day, Arts and Craft vendors, two main stages with live entertainment from 11 AM – 3:30 PM, a PAWS parade that begins at 12:30 PM followed by a Dog HOWL-O-Ween Costume Contest to benefit PAWS 4 Life, Food Vendors, Hay Rides and Waterfall Tours, Hay Bale Trail, Scarecrow Row, a Children's Area with Pumpkin Painting, Inflatables and More.



Sky Valley Timeshare Association is also a sponsor of Fallfest and Hay Bale Trail, and we have a dedicated team of artists ready to carry on the great legacy left by Joyce Horton and her helpers. The Sky Valley Garden Club is sponsoring fall decorations throughout the community. It is going to be an exciting season in Sky Valley, and we will need lots of volunteers to make it a huge success. If you are able to help with Fallfest on October 17th, please contact me at City Hall and we will get you plugged in. Arts and crafts vendor applications are also still being accepted. The vendor fee is \$25, and you will need to supply your own tent and table.

ISO Fire Suppression Rating

Sky Valley recently underwent a Public Protection Classification inspection through Insurance Services Office, Inc.. ISO has completed its analysis of the structural fire suppression delivery system provided in Sky Valley. The resulting classification is 05/05Y. This is an improvement over the 2002 rating of 6/9. ISO's rating plays an important role in the underwriting process at insurance companies. Make sure your home insurance company is aware of this change before your next renewal. This change will take place on September 1, 2015.

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

It is mandatory that every person engaging in short-term rentals on their homes of 10 days or less to 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 any return or to pay the amount of tax will be assessed penalties and interest.

Georgia Sky to Summit 50km & 8m Race – Saturday November 7, 2015

This will be the 3rd year of the Georgia Sky to Summit race. They already have 380 runners signed up for the event. This race starts and ends in Sky Valley, GA. It is advertised as the most scenic 50k race on the east coast, with 20+ miles of untouched single track, 20+ waterfalls, 2 summits of Rabun Bald, view of 3 different states with over 14,000 feet of elevation change. Contact Sean@RunBum.com or search for Georgia Sky to Summit on Facebook. This is another great opportunity to showcase our great city.

Housing & Development & Code Enforcement

Public Nuisances

The City receives complaints from time to time 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. Several of these letters were recently mailed. Please respond to these letters timely to avoid the City having to file an action in the municipal court to abate the nuisance.

Permits

Please be reminded that work done on your home may likely require a permit. 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.

Public Works -

Paving/Striping

Colwell Construction has begun our paving project and will be continuing to work for the next week or so. Once the paving has been completed, the striping company will come in to repaint the pavement edge lines. Please be aware of paving and paint crews. Please avoid those areas when possible and be patient with these work crews. They will help you to avoid tar and/or paint on your vehicles, but you must follow their directions. Roads left to be paved are Alpine Drive, Sky Valley Way and Cedar Lane.

Tree Cutting/Trimming/Topping

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

Chipping Service

The City provides 15 minutes of chipping service to every homeowner each month at no cost. 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. Please call City Hall to let us know you have yard waste to be picked up. Yard waste shall be bagged and placed for pickup within 5 feet of the roadway. Please do not mix household garbage in with this material.

Mulch

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

Water -

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.

Solid Waste -

The City is picking up household garbage on Mondays and recycling on Thursdays. I am about to place an order for more recycle bins, so if you have not already reserved a bin, please do so as quickly as possible so that I can get a good count. Please do not put garbage out on Thursday. If you need to dispose of garbage during the week, you are welcome to use the compactor on Knob Drive behind the postal facility.



Please note, if your underground cans 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 such as the one pictured here. If you do not have the liner that our garbage collectors can lift out of your underground can, you will need to discontinue use until replaced. This is for the safety of our garbage collectors.

The bears are very active so far this season. 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.



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

Balance Sheet - as of August 31, 2015

General Funds	
General Fund Cash	799,803.73
Municipal Court	10,228.75
Petty Cash	300.00
Accounts Receivable	4,343.90
Due from Other Funds	413,412.26
SPLOST Fund	350,000.00
Total Assets	1,578,088.64
Liabilities	
Deferred Revenue (Property Taxes)	
Funds Remaining in 2015 Budget	414,847.53
Accounts Payable	3,007.41
Due to Other Funds	-
Total Liabilities	417,854.94
Balance	1,160,233.70
Restricted Funds	
Prepaid Expenses	250.00
General Government (Buildings)	49,962.00
Road Improvements (Includes SPLOST)	469,150.00
Police	-
Admin (Vehicle Replacement)	10,000.00
Total Locally Restricted Funds	529,362.00
Total Unrestricted Fund Balance	630,871.70
Enterprise Funds	
Combined Utility Fund Cash	893,368.00
Accounts Receivable	6,798.91
Total Current Assets	900,166.91
Current Liabilities	
Prepaid Accounts	4,086.78
Deposits for Water Service	616.16
Due to Other Funds	413,412.26
Total Liabilities	418,115.20
Restricted Funds	
GEFA Debt Service Reserve	126,555.00
Net Assets	355,496.71
Local Restrictions on Funds	
Water (Depreciation)	77,600.00
Sewer Project	15,000.00
Solid Waste (Depreciation)	17,451.00
Total Locally Restricted	110,051.00
Total Unrestricted Net Assets	245,445.71
Hotel/Motel Tax Fund	
Accommodations Tax Received	7,835.66

	August	January - August 2015	Budget	% of Budget
Taxes	440,870.81	999,970.61	988,285.00	101.00%
Licenses & Permits	1,300.00	11,397.80	11,000.00	104.00%
Intergovernmental Revenue	24,696.89	24,696.89	25,550.00	97.00%
Charges for Service (includes contributions from private sourcec)	9,788.51	97,383.15	51,200.00	190.00%
Fines & Forfeitures	-	5,441.28	1,000.00	544.00%
Investment Income	-	1,204.97	2,700.00	78.00%
Rents	2,000.00	9,050.00	12,000.00	75.00%
Refunds & Reimbursements	3,410.79	8,020.05	1,000.00	802.00%
Interfund Transfers	-	6,868.20	435,300.00	2.00%
Total Income	482,067.00	1,164,032.95	1,528,035.00	76.18%
Operating Expenses				
Legislative	20.47	9,048.29	12,500.00	72.39%
Executive	29.11	2,604.09	4,700.00	55.41%
Elections	199.49	447.50	3,000.00	14.92%
Administration & General Government	35,037.13	171,736.73	246,895.00	69.56%
Judicial	358.24	1,038.03	4,810.00	21.58%
Police	43,474.96	206,417.29	350,270.00	58.93%
Fire & Rescue	-	29,000.00	58,000.00	50.00%
Roads	29,718.14	138,177.88	221,500.00	62.38%
Housing & Development	3,138.97	12,571.49	36,500.00	34.44%
Promotion & Tourism (Marketing)	14,386.82	58,996.17	47,850.00	123.29%
Total Operating	126,363.33	630,037.47	986,025.00	63.90%
Capital				
Fleet Vehicle Replacement		-	10,000.00	0.00%
Equipment Replacement		-	4,000.00	0.00%
Road Improvement Program		-	469,150.00	0.00%
Total Capital		-	483,150.00	0.00%
Contingency		24,810.00	24,810.00	100.00%
Depreciation		34,050.00	34,050.00	100.00%
Total Expenditures		688,897.47	1,528,035.00	45.08%
Net Income		475,135.48		

	August	January - August 2015	Budget	% of Budget
Water				
Water Charges	44,991.38	260,762.32	388,000.00	
Tap on Fees		-	2,500.00	
Late Fees, Interest, Reconnect	379.51	2,293.93	2,400.00	
Bad Check Fees	30.00	30.00	-	
Other Charges for Service	-	-	-	
Meter Turn On/Off	40.00	320.00	300.00	
Interest Revenue	86.32	877.72	1,300.00	
Total Income	45,527.21	264,283.97	394,500.00	66.99%
Operating Expenses				
Personal Services	9,216.08	48,392.32	84,630.00	
Purchased/Contracted	14,438.19	33,760.25	49,640.00	
Supplies	7,801.31	44,788.18	54,200.00	
Capital	-	-	-	
Depreciation	-	-	174,239.00	
Debt Service	10,043.95	80,351.60	126,555.00	
Expenses	41,499.53	207,292.35	489,264.00	42.37%
Net Income	4,027.68	56,991.62	(94,764.00)	
Solid Waste				
Refuse Collection Services	16,567.54	124,183.25	209,000.00	
Total Income	16,567.54	124,183.25	209,000.00	59.42%
Operating Expenses				
Personal Services	10,778.70	46,972.90	97,300.00	
Purchased/Contracted	3,892.31	52,051.64	42,425.00	
Supplies	1,000.32	7,323.22	24,600.00	
Capital	-	119,849.06	162,024.00	
Depreciation	-	-	17,451.00	
Expenses	15,671.33	226,196.82	343,800.00	65.79%
Net Income	896.21	(102,013.57)	(134,800.00)	

Housing & Development Departmental Data Report	For month ending August 30, 2015		
	Aug-15	YTD	2014 YTD
New Residential & Commercial permits issued	0	0	1
All other addition, remodel and repair permits	11	90	69
Certificates of Occupancy issued	0	0	1
Total New Construction not yet finalized	0		1
Total Other Construction not yet finalized	1		8
Notices to Comply issued	0	0	24
Stop Work Orders issued	0	0	3
Tree Cutting permits issued	8	40	47
Code & Ordinance Violations cited	0	0	0
Fees Collected			
	Aug-15	YTD	2014 YTD
New Residential or Commercial Permits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Other Addition, Remodel, Repair Permits	\$800.00	\$5,705.00	\$4,168
Tree Cutting Permits	\$375.00	\$2,110.00	\$2,985
Land Disturbing Permits	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Fines Collected for for Ordinance Violations	\$0.00	\$5,000.00	\$0.00

**Totals Report For 2014 Taxes
August 2015
Tax Commissioner**

	Billed	Collected	Adjustments	Outstanding
2014 Ad Valorem Tax	953,344.25	944,875.63	4,782.03-	3686.59
Interest	1564.75	1384.28	0	180.47
Penalty	1396.58	1139.74	0	256.84
Costs	962.00	742.00	0	220.00
Totals	957,267.58	948,141.65	4,782.03-	4343.90

Collected: 99.61%

A RESOLUTION TO PROVIDE FOR A BUILDING PERMIT FOR AN APPROVED ZONING VARIANCE TO PERMIT INSTALLATION, ERECTION, AND CONSTRUCTION OF CELL TOWER WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF SKY VALLEY, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Verizon Wireless having made an application for a zoning variance to permit the installation, erection, and construction of a cell tower in the corporate limits of Sky Valley; and

WHEREAS, said zoning variance was approved on _____ by the Mayor and Council of the City of Sky Valley; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sky Valley having not received an application for a building permit for said tower; and

WHEREAS, Verizon Wireless intends to construct said tower in Sky Valley in calendar year 2016; and

WHEREAS, it is determined it is in the best interest of the City of Sky Valley and the citizens of Sky Valley to promote economic development and to promote dependable telecommunications for all of the residents of Sky Valley and the residents of Rabun County and nearby and surrounding areas; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sky Valley has further determined that for public safety reasons a cell tower would be beneficial to the City of Sky Valley, the residents of Sky Valley, and residents of Rabun County and nearby and surrounding areas.

THEREFORE, it is hereby resolved as follows:

1.

Verizon Wireless is given until June 30, 2016 to obtain a building permit for the construction, installation, and erection of a cell tower pursuant to its previous request for a zoning variance.

RESOLVED this _____ day of _____, 2015 by the Mayor and Council of the City of Sky Valley, Georgia.

Approved:

Hughel Goodgame, Mayor

RESOLUTION 15-_____

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2016 BUDGET, TO SET THE MILLAGE RATE FOR THE 2015 AD VALOREM TAXES, AND TO ESTABLISH POLICIES FOR ADJUSTMENTS TO THE BUDGET.

WHEREAS, the City Manager has presented a proposed fiscal year 2016 Budget to the City Council of each of the various funds of the City; and

WHEREAS, the budget lists proposed revenues/expenditures for the fiscal year 2016; and

WHEREAS, each of these budgets is a balanced budget, so that anticipated revenues for each fund equal proposed appropriations.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL HEREBY RESOLVES

1. The Sky Valley City Council hereby establishes the rate of \$16.257 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation as the ad valorem levy for FY 2015 on the non-exempt real and business personal property appearing on the 2015 tax digest of the City of Sky Valley for operating requirements.
2. The tax shall be collected by the Sky Valley Tax Collector as prescribed by law and deposited to the General Fund account of the City of Sky Valley.
3. The Budget, attached hereto as Exhibits "A" – "D" and made a part hereof by reference, shall be the City of Sky Valley's General Fund Budget for the fiscal year 2016;
4. Expenditures of any Fund shall not exceed the Appropriations authorized by this Budget and Amendments thereto or Actual Funding sources, whichever is less.
5. The Budget shall be adjusted so as to adapt to changing governmental needs during the fiscal year as follows, such amendments shall be recognized as approved changes to this ordinance in accordance with O.C.G.A. § 36-81-3(d)(1):
 - a. Any increase in appropriations in any department, whether through a change in anticipated revenues or through a transfer of appropriations among departments, shall require the approval of the City Council.
 - b. The City Manager shall have the authority to approve transfers within a Department from one line item to another except for salary line items. The City Council shall have the authority to approve transfers to and from salary line items.

All resolutions, ordinances or portion of ordinances in conflict with the provisions hereof are hereby repealed.

It is so resolved and approved by vote of the City Council of the City of Sky Valley this ____ day of _____, 2015.

Approved:

Hughel Goodgame, Mayor

Liz Carr, Council President

Martin Greene, Councilor

Neil Howard, Councilor

Attest:

Mandi Cantrell, City Clerk

Robert Larsen, Councilor

Milner Lively, Councilor

GENERAL FUND BUDGET

2016

REVENUES

General Property Taxes	
Real Property	945,105
Personal Property	6,830
Real Estate Transfer	1,700
Franchise Taxes	52,000
Intangible Taxes	3,500
Selective Sales and Use Taxes	
Alcoholic Beverage Excise	900
Business Taxes	
Occupation Taxes	1,600
Insurance Premium Taxes	14,000
Penalties & Interest on Taxes	5,000
Business Licenses	1,400
Alcoholic Beverages	
Non-Business Licenses & Permits	300
Zoning and Land Use	
Sign	
Regulatory Fees	11,000
Building Permits	
Tree Cutting Permits	
Culture & Recreation	12,000
Promotional Events	
Intergovernmental Revenues	0
Grants	25,080
Charges for Services	600
Fines & Forfeitures	1,000
Investment Income	1,500
Miscellaneous Revenue	500
Reimbursements	1,000
Rents & Royalties	12,000
Donations - Marketing	22,000
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	1,119,015
Other Financing Sources	
Interfund Transfer	
Hotel/Motel Tax Fund	5,000
SPLOST Fund	0
Sale of Surplus Property	0
Capital Leases	0
Use of Unreserved Fund Balance	40,000
Use of Restricted Fund Balance	0
Use of Committed Fund Balance	50,000
TOTAL REVENUE & OTHER SOURCES	\$1,214,015

APPROPRIATIONS

Executive	4,600
Legislative	12,500
General Government	246,580
Fire Services	58,000
Police	287,565
Judicial	1,950
Housing & Development	25,485
Public Works	209,125
Elections	3,000
Promotion and Tourism	71,500
TOTAL OPERATING	\$920,305
Fleet Vehicle Replacement	0
Equipment Replacement	11,000
Accounting Software	15,165
Road Improvement Program	122,000
Land and Buildings	90,000
Debt Service	
Capital Lease	0
TOTAL CAPITAL	\$238,165
CONTINGENCY	16,645
DEPRECIATION	38,900
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$1,214,015

EXHIBIT A

WATER FUND BUDGET

2016

REVENUES

Water Charges	400,000
Water tap-on Fees	2,500
Late Fees, Interest, Reconnects	2,500
Investment Revenue	1,100
Other Miscellaneous Revenue	400
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	\$406,500

Other Financing Sources

Grant – DWSRF subsidy	0
Grant - ARC	0
Loan - GEFA/DWSRF	0
Budgeted Use of Surplus	0
Budged Use of Reserved Debt Svc	0

TOTAL REVENUE & OTHER SOURCES	\$406,500
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EXPENSES

Water Maintenance and Operations	192,720
Water System Improvements	
Debt Service (105%)	126,555
DWSRF Loan	
Fleet Vehicle Replacement	0
Accounting Software	7,000

DEPRECIATION (funding approx. 45%)	80,225
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TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$406,500
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SOLID WASTE BUDGET

2016

REVENUE		EXPENSES	
Solid Waste Charges	198,250	Solid Waste Maintenance and Operations	176,870
Investment Revenue	0	TOTAL OPERATING	\$176,870
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	\$198,250	Vehicles	0
		Equipment	0
		Accounting Software	7,000
		Land and Buildings	0
		TOTAL CAPITAL EXPENDITURES	\$7,000
BUDGETED USE OF SURPLUS	\$0	CONTINGENCY	5,000
		DEPRECIATION (funding approx. 54%)	9,380
TOTAL REVENUE & OTHER SOURCES	\$198,250	TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$198,250

HOTEL/MOTEL FUND

2016

REVENUE

Selective Sales and Use Taxes	
Hotel/Motel	\$8,400
TOTAL OPERATING REVENUE	\$8,400
TOTAL REVENUE & OTHER SOURCES	\$8,400

APPROPRIATIONS

Tourism & Promotions	
Rabun County Tourism Development	\$3,400
Other Financing Uses	
Operating Transfer to General Fund	\$5,000
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	\$8,400
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$8,400

MEMORANDUM

From: Tanglewood Condominium Association
Timeshares of Sky Valley, Inc.
501 Sky Valley Way
Sky Valley, GA 30537

Date: August 20, 2015

To: Linda Lapeyrouse, City Manager, City of Sky Valley, Georgia

Subject: Account No. 01-000456

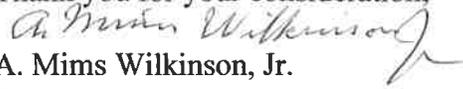
We received, and appreciate very much, a phone call from the City of Sky Valley informing us that an unusually large water usage had been detected when the meter was read on July 31st. We immediately began the effort to locate the water leak. A search of the area for surface water was not productive due to the large amount of recent rain. Eventually, the leak was found near the water meter and underneath a large maple tree. It was discovered that part of a massive root accumulation had punctured the water line. During the repair of the water line, this condition was witnessed at one point by city employee James Holbrooks. The maple tree has since been cut down to eliminate future problems.

We previously noticed that the June 2015 water bill was approximately 20,000 gal. over the 2014 usage. As a result, two smaller leaks in the line were found and repaired. These leaks were also caused by root damage. At this point we thought that all of the leaks had been found and repaired.

Obviously, all of the above leaks were an act of nature, as no human actions were involved to cause the leak conditions that occurred. Also, due to the rain being experienced during the time period, our maintenance personnel were obstructed in their ability to find the leaks. The insurance industry refers to such an incidence as an "act of God", and provides "forgiveness" in the settlement of such claims.

In light of the extenuating circumstances, it is respectfully requested that the City of Sky Valley, give serious consideration to lowering our July 2015 water bill from \$ 1,233.80, down to the average water bill experienced over the past 12 months, to approximately \$680.00.

Thank you for your consideration.


A. Mims Wilkinson, Jr.
President,
Tanglewood Condominium Association, Inc.



Account Info

Curr Account 456

Name TANGLEWOOD/TIMESHARES OF SKY VALLEY

Address 1 Status

Open Date 09/01/2010

Address 2 501 SKY VALLEY WAY #71

Special

Maint. Date 09/16/2015

City DILLARD

Services 1 /

Final Date 00/00/0000

State GA Zip 305370000

Total Deposits .00 Deposit Count 0

Transaction Detail

Tran No.	Code	Desc	Amount	Date	Reference	Method	Balance	RC
00079656	B	BILL	1233.80	08/03/15			1233.80	✓

PRT	METER	CHARGE	READ	READ	BILLED	DUE	READING	USAGE	AMOUNT
N	000462	017 G 23	073115	073115	080315	08252015	21800	80230	230.00
N	000462	005 W C 2"	073115	073115	080315	08252015	21800	80230	1003.80

Alyssa Mullins

From: Jay Johnson [johnsonjay@mail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 12, 2015 11:54 AM
To: alyssamullins@windstream.net
Subject: 769 Bald Mountain RD

To the Council, City of Sky Valley,

I hope all is well with you. My name is James M Johnson Jr., executor for the Estate of my parents Evelyn and James Johnson. Recently things have been difficult on myself and sister dealing with all of issues associated with this awful time. Dad passed away Dec 2014 and Mom followed him May 3, 2015. We had an issue with high water usage earlier this year due to busted old pipes. We just had another issue caused by same problem, this time to much larger degree. It is apparent to me that these pipes need to be replaced which is not going to be cheap, but will help this from happening again.

The water was left on in July when my sister went to the house to gather personal items from the house before we sell it. Unfortunately she was so overcome with the grief that comes with these tasks that she forgot to turn the water off. She admitted that she knew better but it just did not register at the time thinking it is summer and that I might be coming up soon behind her. Regardless, the water was on and old pipes under too much pressure failed. I respectfully ask for some relief in this huge bill received 08/11/15 for \$4,068.69. I do not have the money to repair the pipes and pay this enormous bill. My options are not good at this point. I certainly want to get in good standing with the City and not let this house go to pieces while trying to sell it. Any help you may offer will be helpful in resolving these problems.

Respectfully,

James M Jonson Jr.
843-300-5269



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Account Lookup

Account Number

103

Current Account

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Account Info

Name JOHNSON, JAMES

Address 1 6 BRANSFORD PLACE

Address 2

City AUGUSTA

State GA Zip 309040000

Status

Special

Services 1 /

Total Deposits .00

Open Date 08/17/2010

Maint. Date 08/12/2015

Final Date 00/00/0000

Deposit Count 0

Transaction History

TRAN NO.	CD	DESC	AMOUNT	DATE	REFERENCE	METHOD	BALANCE	RC
F3	B	BILL	57.50	06/03/15			819.90	
F4	AD	BAL ADJ.	594.02	05/21/15	<i>adjustment given</i>		762.40	
F5	B	BILL	57.50	05/04/15			1356.42	
F6	B	BILL	57.50	04/02/15			1298.92	
F7	B	BILL	1241.42	03/05/15			1241.42	
F8	DFT	DRAFT	57.50	03/03/15		DRAFT	.00	
F9	B	BILL	57.50	02/03/15			57.50	
F10	DFT	DRAFT	42.00	01/26/15		DRAFT	.00	

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Transaction Detail

Tran No.	Code	Desc	Amount	Date	Reference	Method	Balance	RC
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PRT	METER	CHARGE	READ	BILLED	DUE	READING	USAGE	AMOUNT
N	000105	017 G 23	030215	030415	03252015	87540	80230	23.00
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F4	BA	PENALTY	406.87	09/02/15			4475.56	<input type="checkbox"/>
F5	B	BILL	4068.69	08/03/15			4068.69	<input type="checkbox"/>
F6	DFT	DRAFT	57.50	07/27/15		DRAFT	.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
F7	B	BILL	57.50	07/01/15			57.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
F8	DFT	DRAFT	57.50	06/26/15		DRAFT	.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
F9	PY	PAYMENT	762.40	06/09/15	6884	CHECK	57.50	<input type="checkbox"/>
F10	PA	PAY ADJ.	.00	06/08/15	0000000035	CREDIT APP	819.90	<input type="checkbox"/>

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N	000105	001 W R 3/4	073115	080315	08252015	334580	246540	4045.69