

Minutes

Regular Session: Monday, March 11, 2024

Meeting Location: *Historical Agricultural Building*

Attending Officials:

John Larkin, David Kilpatrick, Jon Payne, Greg Maddox and Janet Jones

Mayor Janet Jones called the meeting to order at **7:00pm**

Invocation: *Janet Jones*

The Pledge of Allegiance

Rules of Decorum Read

First Order of Business:

Minutes from February 12, 2024 Regular Session were read. John motioned to accept the minutes as read. Greg seconded. Votes unanimous.

Agenda Approval / Amendments:

No amendments to the Agenda.

Committee Updates:

CAD REPORT: David read the CAD report for February 2024.

- 1 - ROADWAYS - Hammond submitted the required bond to City Hall for paving project. The question about the roots on Landrum was answered: David met with Monster to view the area and assured the grinding would not affect the trees. Paving due to begin May 1, 2024.
- 2 - SIDEWALK/STORMWATER - No updates
- 3 - BEAUTIFICATION / EVENTS - Butterfly Festival is April 13. There will be craft and food vendors and a KidZone. Janet will share more information on the GA Tourism Trail / Train Platform.
- 4 - CITY DESIGN & VENUE IMPROVEMENTS - Greg said the generator has been installed at the Community Center in case of emergency.

Agenda Items:

- 1 - **Proposed 2025 Budget** - After the Public Hearing on March 4, the proposed budget for 2025 was submitted for approval and vote. Greg motioned that the budget be adopted as presented. David seconded the motion. Votes unanimous.
- 2 - **City Purchase** - As requested, David presented specs for a golf cart to use primarily at city functions. The cart is a 2019 EZGO, with heavy duty suspension and light kit. The price is \$5525, which is \$1000 less than market. Jon motioned to purchase the cart. Greg seconded the motion. Votes unanimous.
- 3 - **Land Purchase** - As discussed in Executive Session, the council was interested in purchasing the corner lot at Atlanta Hwy / Burson Ave for a city park. The contract was presented for vote. John motioned to approve the purchase. David seconded. Votes unanimous.
- 4 - **Preliminary Plat for Whitehead Rd.** - After the public hearing, the plat presented to divide parcel at the corner of Aiken and Whitehead Rd came for vote. Ken Beall clarified an issues with the road frontage for one of the parcels. John motioned to approve the preliminary plat as submitted. David seconded. Votes unanimous.

At **7:20** John Larkin motioned to enter **Executive Session** to discuss personnel issue. Greg seconded.

At **7:36 Council returned from Exection Session.**