

Minutes

Regular Session: Monday, March 6, 2023

Meeting Location: *Historical Agricultural Building*

Attending Officials:

Brenda Acton, Greg Maddox, John Larkin and Janet Jones

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

Invocation: *Janet Jones*

The Pledge of Allegiance

No Rules of Decorum Read

First Order of Business:

Minutes from February 6, 2023 Regular Session were read. Brenda noted a correction on the cell phone reimbursement amount. The amount budgeted was \$50, not \$30. Brenda motioned that the minutes be amended. Greg seconded. Votes unanimous. Greg made a motion that minutes be accepted as corrected. John seconded. Votes unanimous.

Agenda Approval / Amendments:

Agenda was reviewed. In David's absence, the following items were tabled until 4/3 meeting: All shop improvements, garbage truck, storm water drain and right-of-way tree removal.

Committee Updates:

- 1 - CAD report: In David's absence, the CAD report was not reviewed.
- 2 - Beautification: Little Library project for Main St. - Brenda is looking for a youth group to initiate the Little Library program. In the absence of such group, she is researching the cost for the City to purchase the boxes, poles, etc. to have them available when school is out for the summer. Brenda explained that this project would consist of Adult and Children boxes mounted between City Hall and Dr. Cobb under surveillance camera for safety.
- 3 - Sidewalks: John reported that the headwall was set today (3/6) and the concrete would begin 3/7. The weather has hindered progress. John also asked if the city would be interested in pursuing a quote for decorative lighting. He has a contact with the company that does Chic-Fil-A as well as the cities of Jefferson and Braselton. They install, remove and store the lights for the holidays. It was agreed that John would contact them for more information and possible quote and update Council.
- 4 - Venues: Greg had no updates.
- 5 - Mayor Jones shared that GMA reported at a conference in Washington DC that Bogart was one of 4 cities in Georgia that put thought in how ARPA funds were spent, searching for ways to best benefit the citizens at large. GMA requested the city share a presentation of the achievements. Mayor Jones will share any update at the next meeting.

Agenda Items:

- 1 - Venue improvements: Quotes to swap lighting in the Community Center to LED. These were tabled until a quote could be obtained to wire the kitchen in the Ag Building. Parking lot lighting. Georgia power proposed two options for adding 5 lights to the area. #1: \$3500 down and \$37 per light per month or #2: \$0 down and \$50 per light per month. Brenda made a motion that we proceed with the \$0 down option (#2); John seconded. Votes unanimous.

- 2 - Business License and Permit Fee Increase: After looking at other comparable cities in the region, Business License and Permit Fees (for Trade) were discussed. John motioned that the fees for both be increased to \$75 for 2024. Greg seconded the motion. Votes unanimous.
- 3 - The public hearing for the 2024 Proposed Budget was held 2/23/23 as published. Brenda made a motion to adopt the 2024 Proposed Budget as published. Greg seconded. Votes unanimous.

The next Regular Session Council Meeting will be April 3, 2023

Meeting adjourned at **7:34pm**