

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Baxley City Council was held on August 22, 2018, at 8:30 a.m., with the following members present: Mayor Tim Varnadore; Mayor Pro Tem Esco Hall, Jr.; Councilmembers: Mickey Bass, Pat Williams, Adam Thomas and Santana Fryer.

Other city officials present were: Reid Lovett, City Manager; Reba Cash, City Clerk; Graham Floyd, Attorney; Shane Crosby, Codes Enforcement and Chief of Police James L. Godfrey

William Gardner representing the Baxley News Banner was present.

Councilman Thomas gave the invocation

Mayor Varnadore advised the council that an executive session needed to be added to agenda. Councilman Bass made the motion approving the addition of the executive session. The motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fryer and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of August 8, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hall and carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem requested acknowledgement to the Jack Summerall family Reunion this week August 23 – 26 celebrating their 63rd year.

Mayor Varnadore made a Proclamation claiming August 23 – 26 Jack and Mariah Summerall week.

Councilman Bass made a motion to enter into an Executive Session for the purpose(s) of personnel, real estate and possible litigation. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fryer and carried unanimously.

Mayor Varnadore recessed the regular council meeting and called the Executive Session to order.

There being no action taken in the executive session, Mayor Varnadore declared the meeting closed and called the regular meeting back to order.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion setting a public hearing date of September 11, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to hear public comments on the City's Proposed FY2019 Budgets. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

Councilman Bass made a motion to advertise in the Baxley News Banner one week the FY2019 Proposed Budget and the 2018 Tax Digest and 5 Year History. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Councilman Bass made a motion approving the recommendation from Chief Godfrey to purchase twelve portable radios with chargers from Kenwood-Monroe Comm./Waycross. The bids were as follows:

- Kenwood-Monroe Comm./Waycross \$765.00 @ \$ 9,180.00
- Kenwood-Two-Way Comm./Douglas \$780.00 @ \$ 9,369.60
- Motorola-Hasty's Comm. / Waycross \$ 989.00@ \$10,518.00
- Motorola-Two-Way Comm. /Douglas \$950.00@ \$11,400.00

This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall approved the application to sell (Package Beer and Wine) at Jay Ambe Express LLC. DBA/Quickpick Express located at 376 West Parker Street owned by Dharmendrakumar Patel (new owner). This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and was passed by four to two votes. Those voting in favor: Hall, Livingston, Fryer and Williams. Those opposing were Bass and Thomas.

Mayor's Report

1. Mayor Varnadore attended a Chamber of Commerce meeting.
2. Mayor Varnadore attended a Ribbon cutting at Eason Crazy Cakes.
3. Mayor Varnadore attended a Ribbon cutting at Checkers.
4. Mayor Varnadore informed the Council that he would be attending the Jack Summerall gathering at New Jersey Baptist Church on Thursday.

Council's Report

1. Mayor Pro Tem Hall attended a CSI conference.

City Manager's Report

1. City Manager Lovett announced the Fair Street Ribbon cutting is August 31st at 10:00 a.m.
2. City Manager Lovett announced that the Lackawanna Street is still closed for construction.

There being no further business, Mayor Varnadore declared the regular meeting adjourned.

City Clerk