MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Baxley City Council was held on July 8, 2022, at 8:30 a.m., with the following members present: Mayor Tim Varnadore, Mayor Pro Tem Mickey Bass; Councilmembers: Betty Livingston, Adam Thomas, Ora Hall, and Santina Fryer.

Councilman Pat Williams was excused.

Other city officials present were: Reid Lovett, City Manager; Jessica McLellan, City Clerk; Alex Johnson, City Attorney, Mitchell Wilkerson, Police Chief Jeffery Taylor, and David Gore.

Mary Ann Ellis representing the Baxley News Banner was present.

Other members of the public were present.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Varnadore gave the invocation.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of June 2, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Fryer made a motion to appoint Jeni Reynolds to the Library Board to complete the term of Alberta King ending December 31, 2023. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bass and carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion to accept a 10 year LOST agreement with Appling County bringing the City’s portion from 30% to 37 1/2%. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hall and carried unanimously. Mayor Varnadore stated that he appreciated the City and the County being able to work together on this agreement.

Mayor Varnadore Report:
- Public Hearing Tuesday, July 19, 2022 for a rezoning petition and an annexation petition.

Councilwoman Fryer Report:
- 5% increase in library card requests.
- DDA meeting this Friday
- She and Councilwoman Hall received certificates of achievement at GMA.

Councilwoman Hall Report:
- Welcomed the new pastor of First Pleasant Hill Missionary Baptist Church, Pastor Eric M. Carswell.

Councilwoman Fryer made a motion to enter executive session to discuss personnel and litigation. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

Mayor Varnadore recessed the regular meeting to enter executive session.

Mayor Varnadore reconvened the regular meeting.
City Manager Lovett announced his resignation as City Manager for the City of Baxley. He stated that the City has been good to him and he was leaving on good terms. Mayor Varnadore thanked him for everything he has done for the City and wished him well on his future endeavors.

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

City Clerk