



**BAXLEY CITY COUNCIL
Regular Council Meeting
Council Chambers**

**January 11, 2023
8:30 a.m.**

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Baxley City Council was held on January 11, 2023 at 8:30 a.m., with the following members present: Mayor Tim Varnadore, Mayor Pro Tem Mickey Bass, and Councilmembers: Santina Fryer, Ora Hall, Betty Livingston, Adam Thomas, and Pat Williams.

Other city officials present were: City Manager Keri Orvin, City Attorney Alex Johnson, City Clerk Jessica McLellan, Chief Jeffery Taylor, Public Works Director Wayne Mullis, David Gore, John Thomas Kimbrel, and Mitchell Wilkerson.

Cole Gardner was present representing the Baxley News Banner.

Councilman Williams led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tim Carlson, Youth Pastor at Christ Community Church, shared a message of thanks and encouragement followed by the invocation.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion approving the minutes of the Called Council Meeting of December 20, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fryer and carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of December 28, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hall and carried unanimously.

Mayor Varnadore introduced Appling County's new County Manager, Al Meadows.

Councilwoman Fryer made a motion to approve the second reading/adoption of an ordinance for Application for Rezoning filed by Knicole & Ron Lee, located at 224 Peachtree St., be rezoned from a Residential (R-15) zone to a Business (B-2) zone. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hall and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Hall made a motion to elect Guyton L. "Mickey" Bass as Mayor Pro Tem for 2023. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston. Voting in favor: Fryer, Hall, Livingston, Thomas, and Williams. Bass abstained from voting.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion appointing Jessica McLellan as City Clerk for 2023. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Councilman Thomas made a motion appointing Alex Johnson as City Attorney for 2023. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro tem Bass and carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion appointing Pres Johnson as Municipal Court Judge for 2023. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion to adopt the Depository Resolution for 2023 with the addition of facsimile signature. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hall and carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion to adopt the City of Baxley Purchasing Procedure. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fryer and carried unanimously.



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Mayor Pro Tem Bass made a motion adopting the Resolution establishing the duties and responsibilities of the City Manager as related to fiscal control procedures of the FY2023 budget and establishing procurement procedures for same. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fryer and carried unanimously.

City Manager Orvin made the recommendation of Carol's Consulting & Grant Management as CDBG Administrator. Councilwoman Fryer made a motion to approve the City Manager's recommendation. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

City Manager Orvin made the recommendation of Hofstadter & Associates as CDBG Engineer. Councilwoman Livingston made a motion to approve the City Manager's recommendation. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bass and carried unanimously.

Mayor Varnadore Report:

- Attended the Community Wide Prayer Service on January 9, 2023.
- Attended the Appling County Commissioners meeting, gave the invocation, and signed the SPLOST agreement and January 10, 2023.

City Manager Report:

- Bay Street has been reopened
- UGA Propel in town today

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

City Clerk