MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Baxley City Council was held on October 12, 2022 at 8:30 a.m., with the following members present: Mayor Tim Varnadore, and Councilmembers: Betty Livingston, Adam Thomas, Santina Fryer, and Ora Hall.

Councilman Pat Williams & Mayor Pro Tem Mickey Bass were excused.

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

Mayor Varnadore led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilman Thomas gave the invocation.

Councilwoman Livingston made motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 28, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fryer and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Hall made a motion approving the adoption of the Appling County Joint Comprehensive Plan, Rising to Greater Heights Resolution. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Discussion concerning the Consumer Price Index increase proposed by Ryland Environmental revealed a 5% increase (0.53 to 0.55 per container) due to increase in landfill fees. Ryland has previously only requested a fuel charge with no other increases. Councilwoman Hall made a motion to approve the increase as presented. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fryer and carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass arrived at 8:38 a.m.

Mayor Varnadore announced that the City of Baxley has purchased property located on the corner of Hovis Street and Walnut Street from the Hospital Authority for the purpose of erecting a new water tank.

Mayor Varnadore Report:
- Signed a proclamation for Breast Cancer Awareness
- “Greened” the fountain for National 4-H week

City Manager Orvin Report:
- Attended New City Manager Workshop
- Hosted Congressman Buddy Carter
- Individuals with UGA Grant “Propel” will be visiting at the end of the month
- Homecoming & Veterans Day parades coming up
- 2 bids currently open – Bay Street project & Airport Hangar project

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

Mayor Varnadore recessed the Regular Meeting for Executive Session.

Mayor Varnadore closed Executive Session and resumed Regular Meeting.

Mayor Varnadore announced that there was no action taken during Executive Session was for information only.
There be no further business, Mayor Varnadore adjourned the meeting.

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City Clerk