



**MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Baxley City Council was held on November 23, 2022 at 8:30 a.m., with the following members present: Mayor Pro Tern Mickey Bass, and Councilmembers: Betty Livingston, Adam Thomas, Santana Fryer, and Ora Hall.

Councilman Pat Williams and Mayor Varnadore were excused.

Other city officials present were: City Manager Keri Orvin, City Attorney Alex Johnson, Deputy City Clerk Miranda Tanner, Chief Jeffery Taylor, David Gore, Mitchell Wilkerson, John Thomas Kimbrel, Wayne Mullis, and Anthony Mcneal.

Councilman Thomas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilwoman Fryer gave the invocation.

Councilwoman Hall made motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 26, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Hall made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of November 9, 2022 at 8:30 a.m. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

Under proclamations/special request/presentations, Lawrence Walters addressed the Council regarding the Baxley Police Department.

Councilwoman Fryer made a motion approving the second reading/adoption of an ordinance for rezoning filed by Lugo Properties LLC, located at 757 Holmesville Avenue, be rezoned from Business (B-2) Zone to a Residential (RM-10) Zone in voting district 3. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Hall and carried unanimously. It was noted by City Attorney, Alex Johnson, the original adoption date November 9, 2022 would be changed to November 23, 2022.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion to reappoint Selena Copeland to the Appling County Public Library Board. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Fryer made a motion to accept the bid from Drummond Construction Inc., in the amount of \$499,950.00 for the 8 unit T-Hangar Building. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion to set the public hearing date of December 20, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. on the application for zoning amendment filed by Knicole & Ron Lee located at 224 Peachtree Street, be rezoned from a Residential (R-15) Zone to a Business (B-2) Zone. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Hall made a motion to adopt ordinance to increase annual flat fee to \$50.00 for insurance companies transacting business within the city. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion to transfer the \$20,000 budgeted for special events in the general fund to the Downtown Development Authority. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

City Manager Orvin Report:

Preconstruction meeting for Bay Street emergency storm drainage project was held and work should begin December 5, 2022.

Meeting with GDOT regarding upcoming TIA projects was held.

DDA attended Rural Zone Designation Training.

There being no further business, Mayor Pro Tern Bass adjourned the meeting.

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Deputy City Clerk

