REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Baxley City Council was held on February 27, 2019, at 8:30 a.m., with the following members present: Mayor Tim Varnadore; Mayor Pro Tem Esco Hall, Jr.; Council members: Betty Livingston, Mickey Bass, Pat Williams, and Adam Thomas.

Mayor Varnadore excused both Councilwoman Santina Fryer and City Manager Reid Lovett.

Other city officials present were: Reba Cash, City Clerk; Alex Johnson, City Attorney; David Gore Street Supervisor; Dale Sapp Water Supervisor and Chief of Police James L. Godfrey.

Members of the news media present were: Noah Gardner representing the Baxley News Banner and Jan Crosby representing WBYZ 94.5 Radio Station.

Councilman Bass gave the invocation.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of February 13, 2019, at 8:30 a.m. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hall and carried unanimously.

Councilman Bass made a motion adopting a Resolution authorizing submission of a FY2019 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application to the Georgia Department of Community Affairs and a Fair Housing Resolution. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hall and carried unanimously.

Councilman Bass made a motion setting a public hearing date for Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. on a petition for rezoning filed by Jeffrey M. Dyal located at North Main Street, be rezoned from the Residential (R-12) zone to a Business (B-2) zone in voting district #1. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion approving the Adoption of a Resolution pertaining to ethics principles as it relates to the manner in which the City conduct its affairs. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hall and carried unanimously.

Councilman Bass made a motion to approve the 2018 Annual Water Audit. Dale Sapp gave a presentation explaining the details of the audit report. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously. Mayor Varnadore expressed appreciation to Dale Sapp and Janet Dean for a job well done.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion to approve the recommendation for a Power Post Jack Hammer/Air Compressor Combo by the David Gore, Street Supervisor to purchase this tool from TranSafe for $5,419.07. Using SPLOST Fund is permitted under the DOT’s requirement to replace all signs. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall made a motion to accept the recommendation from Dale Sapp, Water Supervisor to do the repairs necessary to the Wastewater Treatment Plant Automatic Bar Screen. The bar screen is a heavy stainless steel mechanical filter used to remove large objects, such as cans and bottles or rags and plastics, from wastewater. Estimated cost of the bar screen is between...
$13,000 - $15,000 including parts and labor. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

**Mayor’s Report**
1. Mayor informed the Council the storm water are good, special thanks to David Gore and his crew.
2. Mayor announced he attended a Development Authority meeting and he enjoyed being there.
3. Mayor informed the Council that the Old Beach Street lift station was torn down, because it wasn’t being used and wasn’t an attractive sight.

**Council’s Report**
1. Mayor Pro Tem Hall announced the Black History Banquet was a great success.

**City Manager’s Report**
1. The City Manager report was given by Mayor Varnadore, who was not in attendance due to a meeting in Atlanta with GA DOT to try to secure additional funds for resurfacing road improvements.

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

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City Clerk