

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Baxley City Council was held on March 28, 2018, at 8:30 a.m., with the following members present: Mayor Tim Varnadore; Mayor Pro Tem Esco Hall, Jr.; Councilmembers: Betty Livingston, Mickey Bass, Pat Williams, and Adam Thomas.

Other city officials present were: Reid Lovett, City Manager; Reba Cash, City Clerk; Alex Johnson, City Attorney; and Chief of Police James L. Godfrey.

Keri Crosby Orvin, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce was present.

Lee Lewis representing the Appling County Commissioners was present.

Steve Simmons representing the Baxley News Banner was present.

Joy Edwards, Becky Collins and Bill Hammond representing the County Extension Office were present.

Councilman Bass gave the invocation.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of March 14, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. This motion was seconded by Councilman Bass and carried unanimously.

Mayor Varnadore introduced and welcomed newly hired secretary, Nidia Garcia.

Mayor Varnadore read a portion of the Proclamation of the National Service Recognition Day for April 3, 2018, which encourage residents to recognize the positive impact of national service in our community, to thank those who serve, and to find ways to give back to their community.

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 Councilman Bass and carried unanimously.

Councilman Bass made a motion approving the First Reading of an Ordinance annexing property filed by Clarence Morris Jr., located at 75 James Drive be annexed and establishing a Business Residential (BR-1) Zone in voting district #2.

Mayor's Report

1. Mayor Varnadore announced he attended the funeral of Sheriff Mark Melton's brother, Randall, in Lakeland Georgia.
2. Mayor Varnadore reported that he met with Sikes Brother's on Fair street project and that in the next week they will be placing asphalt from Walnut to SE Park Ave.
3. Mayor Varnadore met with Steven Kennard of Georgia Power, concerning drainage on James Drive.

Council's Report

1. Mayor Pro Tem Hall announced that he attended the NLC Spring session in Washington D.C.
2. Mayor Pro Tem Hall announced the March Gala at Hardware Pizza went very well and expressed a huge thank you to Keri for an outstanding job.

City Manager's Report

1. City Manager Lovett attended the Council of ACHS Pirate Community Day for Civic, Business and Community leaders, on Thursday, March 22, 2018 at the High school front lobby and explained the great things that are taking place.
2. City Manager Lovett reported that the reclamation of Fair St will be taking place in the next few days.
3. City Manager Lovett reported that the Easter Egg Hunt is Saturday, March 31th from 10:00 – 11:30 a.m. having more than 3,000 eggs on hand.
4. City Manager Lovett extended a huge Thank you to our County Manager, Chamber Director and the Extension office for their partnerships and the great working relationship we all have for our community.

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

City Clerk