

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

The regular meeting of the Baxley City Council was held on May 9, 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.

Councilman Thomas gave the invocation.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of April 25, 2018, at 8:30 a.m. This motion was seconded by Councilman Bass and carried unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Hall made a motion to set a public hearing date for Tuesday, June 12th, at 6:00 p.m. on a petition for annexation filed by Temple of the Higher Calling, Inc., located at 1102 Poor Robin Road be annexed and establishing a Business Residential (BR-1) Zone in voting district 3. This motion was seconded by Councilman Bass and carried unanimously.

Councilman Bass made a motion that these names be submitted to the Hospital Board, as follows;

Kelly Stone – nominated by Councilwoman Livingston

Larry M. Rayner-nominated by Mayor Pro Tem Hall

Judy Aycock-nominated by Mayor Pro Tem Hall

John Paul Edwalden-nominated by Councilman Thomas

This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hall and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion approving Manager Lovett recommendation to renew the City's Healthcare Plan with United Healthcare (Option 2) with a 3.5 percent less cost than current provider effective June 1, 2018. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Hall and carried unanimously.

Councilman Bass made a motion to go into Closed Session. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Keri Crosby, Executive Director of the Appling County Chamber of Commerce, introduced the following 6th grade students from ACMS, who read their "If I Were Mayor" Essays, they were as follows: Allie Dubberly, Team 6.1; Sierra Spell, Team 6.3; and Bryson McLoon Team 6.2 was absent. Overall Winner was Sierra Spell.

Mayor's Report

1. Mayor Varnadore attended the Crime Victim Memorial Ceremony Tuesday, May 1st at the Appling County Sheriff's Complex.
2. The Mayor's Prayer Breakfast was May 3 at First Baptist Church all went well.
3. Mayor Varnadore attended the Church of God Youth Fund raiser and was a Judge for the Cake Auction.
4. Mayor Varnadore attended the ACMS 7th graders Brain Bowl held in the Council Chamber.

City Manager's Report

1. Manager Lovett attended the ACMS 7th graders Brain Bowl held in the City Council Chamber and was very proud to see how well each team responded to the questions.
2. Manager Lovett reported the city's software improvement is coming along very well.
3. Manager Lovett invited the Mayor and Council to the Peace Officer Memorial Day on May 17, 2018 at 11:00 a.m. at the Law Enforcement Center on Barnes Street.
4. Manager Lovett invited the Mayor and Council to attend a ceremony dedicating State Route 4 & US 1 Highway to Mr. Roy Herrington, Thursday, May 17, 2018 at the Baxley Airport.
5. Manager Lovett invited the Mayor and Council to the graduation ceremony of the 2018 Class of Appling Leads, Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hatch Energy Education Center.

Mayor Varnadore recessed the regular council meeting and called the Closed Session to order.

Mayor Varnadore reconvened the regular meeting with no action being taken.

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

City Clerk