

BAXLEY CITY COUNCIL Regular Council Meeting Council Chambers

April 24, 2024 8:30 a.m.

MINUTES

The regular meeting of the Baxley City Council was held on April 24, 2024 at 8:30 a.m., with the following members present: Mayor Tim Varnadore, Mayor Pro Tem Mickey Bass, Councilmembers: Santina Fryer, Ora Hall, Betty Livingston, Adam Thomas, and David Gore.

Other city officials present were: City Attorney Alex Johnson, City Clerk Jessica McLellan, Public Works Director Wayne Mullis, Financial Analyst John Thomas Kimbrel, Police Chief Jeffery Taylor, and Codes Officer Mitchell Wilkerson.

Cole Gardner representing Baxley News Banner was present.

Mayor Pro Tem Bass led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Varnadore gave the invocation.

Mayor Varnadore recognized Councilwoman Hall for receiving a Certificate of Excellence for completing 120 hours of Municipal Training with the University Of Georgia Carl Vincent Institute Of Government.

Councilwoman Hall made a motion approving the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of April 10, 2024. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Livingston and carried unanimously.

Councilman Gore made a motion to approve the City Manager and Public Work Director's recommendation to purchase a New CAT Model 420 Backhoe Loader from Yancey Bros. in the amount of \$125,424.00 to be paid by 2018 SPLOST funds. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fryer and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Fryer made a motion to set a public hearing date of May 16, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. for an annexation petition filed by Bryan Twiggs for property located at 155 JP Morris Drive be annexed establishing a residential (R-10) zone. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

Councilwoman Hall made a motion to set a public hearing date of May 16, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. for a rezoning application filed by Aubrey Michael & Karen L. Wheeler for property located at 901 W. Parker Street be rezoned from a residential (RM-10) zone to a business (B-2) zone. This motion was seconded by Councilman Thomas and carried unanimously.

Reports:

- Mayor Varnadore
 - o Baxley Beautification day was largest ever and thanked all participants
 - o Attended the Election Community Forum
 - o GMA District 9 Meeting was a success
 - Crime Victims Service with District Attorney Keith Higgins at 5:30 pm today at Sheriff's Office

Councilwoman Livingston made a motion to enter into Executive Session to discuss potential litigation and real estate. This motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bass and carried unanimously.

Mayor Varnadore recessed the Regular Council Meeting and entered into Executive Session at 8:40 a.m.

Councilwoman Hall made a motion to adjourn Executive Session and resume the Regular Council Meeting. This motion was seconded by Councilwoman Fryer and carried unanimously.

Mayor Varnadore adjourned the Executive Session and resumed the Regular Council Meeting at 8:47 a.m.

Mayor Varnadore announced that the Executive Session did not require any action to be taken, however, he noted that the Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem, and City Clerk are authorized to sign documents pertaining to the sale of the Gym property.

There being no further business, Mayor Varnadore adjourned the meeting at 8:51 a.m.

City Clerk