City Hall

February 2, 2021

The regular council meeting was held on Tuesday February 2, 2021 at 6:00 pm with Mayor John J. Rabun, Jr. presiding.

Those present were Councilmembers Edward Rabun, David Hannah, Marty Amerson, Michelle Weatherford-Usry and Stephanie Hannah.

Others present were City Administrator Arty Thrift, City Clerk Cassie Bartlett, City Attorney Chris Dube, Public Works Superintendent Brian Usry, Police Chief Jamey Kitchens, Officer Joseph McAlpin, Officer Jalin Anderson, Officer Clarence Johnson and Officer Joseph Lamberth.

Citizens present were Wayne Favors, Peggy Hadden, Lester Hadden, Kenneth Hannah, Erica Hannah, Clifton Jordan, Eric Hannah Jr., Eric L. Hannah Sr., Alfonzia Wright, Geraldine Hill, Denya Hughes, Kyania Graddy, Patricia Blake, Bennett Clark, Gail Clark, Lee Woods, Rebecca Woods, Travis Shields, Bill Newsome, Daniel Eubanks, Arlene Usry, Chesameka Baker, Crystal Shaw, Tom Kelly, Mary Burly and Moras Gibbons. Several others were present but signatures on the meeting sign-in-sheet were not legible.

City Administrator Arty Thrift gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Michelle Weatherford-Usry made a motion to amend the Agenda to remove the executive session Agenda item. Stephanie Hannah seconded the motion; all in favor. Stephanie Hannah made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended. Michelle Weatherford-Usry seconded the motion; all in favor.

Minutes of the January 5, 2021 regular council meeting and January 5, 2021 executive session were approved as printed with a motion made by Michelle Weatherford-Usry. Edward Rabun seconded the motion; all in favor.

David Hannah made a motion to approve the General Fund, Water & Sewer Fund, Gas Fund and Landfill & Sanitation Fund Summary Financial Statement as presented. Marty Amerson seconded the motion; all in favor.

In staff reports, Public Works Superintendent Brian Usry, Police Chief Jamey Kitchens and Wastewater Superintendent Larry Anderson presented Council with a report on activities of their respective departments.

There was no unfinished/old business to discuss.

In new business, Michelle Weatherford-Usry made a motion to rezone Parcel R001 199 from Commercial to R-4 Townhouse Residential District. Edward Rabun seconded the motion; motion carried with three voting in favor and two (Marty Amerson and David Hannah) voting against.

Police Chief Jamey Kitchens provided Mayor and Council with a lease proposal from Brannen Motor Company (Ford Motor Credit) for four (4) new patrol vehicles. Michelle Weatherford-Usry made a motion to accept the lease proposal. Stephanie Hannah seconded the motion; all in favor.

In Committee Reports, Michelle Weatherford-Usry discussed upcoming meetings for Wrens Hometown Partnership.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm.

Cassie Bartlett City Clerk