

City Hall  
March 2, 2021

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

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

Others present were City Administrator Arty Thrift, City Clerk Cassie Bartlett, City Attorney Chris Dube, Police Chief Jamey Kitchens, Officer Phillip Hambrick, Jr. and Fire Chief Keith Boulineau.

Citizens present were Bennett Clark, Daniel Eubanks and Christopher Holdeman.

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

Michelle Weatherford-Usry made a motion to adopt the Agenda as printed. Edward Rabun seconded the motion; all in favor.

Minutes of the January 26, 2021 called council meeting and executive session, February 2, 2021 regular council meeting and February 23, 2021 work session meeting were approved as printed with a motion made by Michelle Weatherford-Usry. Marty Amerson 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. Edward Rabun seconded the motion; all in favor.

In staff reports, Fire Chief Keith Boulineau and Police Chief Jamey Kitchens presented Council with a report on activities of their respective departments.

There was no unfinished/old business to discuss.

There was no new business to discuss.

In Committee Reports, Michelle Weatherford-Usry discussed maintenance being performed at the park.

Edward Rabun made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss **Personnel**. Michelle Weatherford-Usry seconded the motion; all in favor.

- (1) That this Mayor and Council now enter into closed session as allowed by O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4 and pursuant to the advice by the City Attorney, for the purpose of discussing the following:  
**Personnel.**
- (2) That this body, in open session adopt a resolution authorizing and directing the Mayor or presiding officer to execute an affidavit in compliance with O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4 and that this body ratify the actions of the council taken in closed session and confirm that the subject matters of the closed session were within exceptions permitted by the open meeting law said resolution form to be in separate notebook kept with the minute book.

Michelle Weatherford-Usry made a motion to return to regular session. Marty Amerson seconded the motion; all in favor.

Back in open session, Michelle Weatherford-Usry made a motion to accept the recommendation of Police Chief Jamey Kitchens to hire Erik Williams to the position of full-time Patrol Officer with an hourly rate of \$17.53 (Grade 7, Step 13) to be effective Monday, March 8, 2021. Marty Amerson seconded the motion; all in favor.

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

Cassie Bartlett  
City Clerk